



Grade 9 Update

Semester 2- April 2025

Ms. Babyn

- **Foods 9**

Students have been busy in the kitchens. Recipes they've tried, based on student suggestions, have been breakfast smoothies and cheddar apple muffins. Students have also been busy working in small groups on a food truck project where they create a theme, truck name, menu, recipes and 3-D truck model. Students will be making two of their menu items to share with their Grade 9 peers and staff later in the semester. They have also been helping with transitioning the kitchens and all of the new equipment we've been so fortunate to get.

- **Leadership 9**

Students have recently buddied up with both Grades 4 and 6 classes. They prepared interview questions to ask their buddies in order to get to know them. Next week, they will meet their Grade 5 buddies and do the same. The Grade 9s will have two more opportunities to meet with each grade of buddies before the end of the school year where they will be in charge of having activities planned for each set of buddies based on their interview feedback. Students will be busy organizing our annual Egg Hunt that will happen towards the end of April weather and dry ground conditions permitting.

Please email me at olesia.babyn@eips.ca if you have any questions.

Mr. Brzezicki

I want to thank all of the families for their support and kindness during my absence. This school's community is amazing and knowing that I have so many people sending me positive vibes and love was tremendously appreciated!

- **Social 9**

We are studying the basics of different Economic Systems and how they attempt to meet the needs of the people in their respective societies. Students will be writing an in-class essay (on paper! Totally kicking it old school!) and will be able to bring in their notes and planning sheets.

- **Phys Ed 9**

Our main area of focus right now is badminton. We will also be playing some wheelchair basketball during the week of April 7-11. Following that we will hopefully be making our way outside for track and field, soccer (maybe some rugby) and slo-pitch.

- **REC FIT 9**

We have a number of field trips coming up, with hopefully one or two more added in soon. Keep an eye out for Permission Click forms.

- April 30 – UofA Rock Climbing
- May 20 – Argyll Velodrome (cycling)
- TBA – 5 pin bowling at Sherwood Bowl

Please email shaun.brzezicki@eips.ca if you have any questions.

Mr. Buchert

- **ELA 9**

The grade 9 group submitted their historical fiction stories, and I am very proud of what has been produced. Without a doubt, many of the

students put forth their best writing of the year! You should ask them to show you their work, I'm sure you'll be impressed.

Now, we have just begun our poetry unit. I'm looking forward to discovering who the true honey drippers are in grade 9 😊. We will be analyzing and writing various styles of poems throughout this unit.

Drama 9

The monologues are done, and the kids have done an admirable job of presenting. We are now working on creating plays for the division one students. Specifically, the kids will be creating short, contemporary versions of well-known fairytales.

Design 9

You may have seen your child walking around in a new shirt! If you have not, you should definitely ask to see their creation. We are almost done making our shirts, and soon we will be moving on to 3D printing designs.

Please email craig.buchert@eips.ca if you have any questions.

Mr. Hazlehurst

- **Health 9** - We are currently working on our drugs, alcohol, and addiction unit. Students have been asking questions about their high school courses and selections and are itching to get to high school. Next, we will be working through our volunteerism topics and then get into Sex Ed in May.
- **Construction 9** – Students are in the shop and are working up a storm. They are required to do one sheet material project, while trying to incorporate scrap material in it as well. Please be aware if students are building a large project that cannot go on the bus, they will need it picked up as soon as it is finished, as the shop is a very busy place with only a finite amount of space.

Mr. Hill

- **Science 9-** The Great 9s are starting to finish up our Electrical Principles Unit. This is our Physics component of Science 9. We discuss various forms of energy, static vs current electricity, motors, magnets and the various mathematical formulas that coincide such as voltage, resistance and POWER. We also research and build various circuits to understand the effects that electricity can have on various objects!! This unit is very hands-on and will have the kids using their problem solving and imaginations, really putting a charge into the second semester. Our second last unit of the year will be Environmental Chemistry. This is a biology unit with components of Chemistry also included. We will be looking at the chemicals in our natural environments and the impacts they can have not only on us but the ecosystems that are around us.
- Please email craig.hill@eips.ca if you have any questions.

Ms. Slemko

- **Math 9** - This month I am asking all parents to make sure that your child has a calculator to use at school for math class every day.

Grade 9 students are just completing a short unit on Inequalities. Many of the same strategies and rules from Solving Equations apply when solving for Inequalities.

Their next unit is Circle Theory. This applies to many industry related math concepts, such as cross sections of piping, flow capacity and structural supports.

Please email jody.slemko@eips.ca if you have any questions.