



September 22, 2023

Rich Valley Elementary School

Grade One

Important Dates:

- Spirit Wear Day Sept. 28
- Orange Shirt Day Sept. 29
- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Sept. 30

Science

In science the students continued to analyze properties of objects. This week we focused on area. We decided that area is the space an object covers or a space where things can occupy. We did a bit of an experiment to see how many students it would take to cover the area of our carpet. First, all the students laid on the carpet and were able to cover the whole area of the carpet. Next, they sat on the carpet but were not able to cover the whole area of the carpet. We discussed how different sizes of objects cover different amounts of an area.

Well a great week weather wise and a great week in the classroom. The students have settled in well and our routines are becoming more automatic. Students are also enjoying the wonderful weather we have been having during gym and recess.

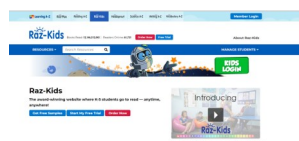


Language Arts

The students have received their book bags for in their desk. These books are leveled and once the student has mastered the vocabulary in the book to a 90% success rate, they are then moved up to the next reading level. Next week will start our BLAST groups and centers. The students are put in groups based on their reading level. If a student progresses faster than other students in the group they will be moved to a higher level group. The students are all reading at different levels and by the end of grade one our goal is to have all students reading at a level J. Our centers currently consist of the students working on writing, word work, listening to reading and reading to self.

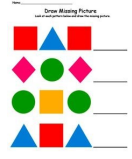


The students can go on Raz-Kids (<https://www.raz-kids.com/>) click on Kids Login and then type in: rpetersonf The students will then enter their password, which is their name. The students can read and listen to books in the "Reading" section, then click on "Level Up!" or starting next week, play games and practice the weekly sight words in the Vocabulary section. The students can go on Raz-Kids at home as well, following the same directions.



Math

This week the students continued to create and extend patterns. We began completing a pattern booklet. This booklet shows the students' understanding of different patterns to see if he/she could identify a pattern, extend a pattern as well as identify the repeating part of a pattern.



We would like to thank the Rich Valley Fire Department for once again helping out during the Terry Fox Run. It is comforting to see the fire trucks with their lights on and the firefighters standing at the various intersections throughout the run. Once again thank you to every one for taking the time to make this day safe and enjoyable!



Next week the grade 1 students will begin to have spelling tests which they can study for. Spelling words will be sent home at the start of each week. I will be giving them limited hints on how to spell the words (the words will also be on the Word Wall). We will have five or six words to study every week and these will be tested on Thursday's or Friday's.

Have a great weekend!
Mr. Peterson and Mrs. Hove