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# THE OXUPE

by students, for students

## Important dates:

- December 5 – Toy Tea at Ogliv's
- December 9 – Free Dress for the Gazette Holiday Fund
- December 12 – Holiday concert grades 1- 4
- December 13 – Holiday concert grades 5 and 6
- December 20 – Holiday luncheons
- December 21 – Last day of classes
- January 7 – Classes resume



## Thanking and Remembering the Soldiers

On November 9<sup>th</sup> the head boy and head girl started the ceremony by asking everyone to sing O Canada. They played a video for Remembrance Day about remembering the soldiers and what they did for us. They called upon each class to place their class wreath around the

Remembrance circle. Then they called upon each class to say their poems on Remembrance Day. Ms. Krissy and some students created a great video explaining the significance of the day. The head boy and head girl also said a poem. Everyone stood for a minute of silence to

remember what the soldiers did for us to be free. This year instead of having a soldier come in, our guest speaker was Mr. Niiya, who talked about how the war affected his parents and grandparents.

By: Gia Rozzi, Laura Geher, and Annie Gouchee

## K3 Learns about Peace

This month the K3s have been learning about peace. They learned that fighting is not the right way to solve a problem. Instead of fighting, they can solve their problems by talking it out. If your friend takes

your toy, you should:

- Not hit or yell
- Instead ask them nicely for it back
- If they don't give it back ask a teacher or parent for help

They also made poppies that symbolize the soldiers who fought for our freedom.

By: Dahlia Klein, Dinu Mahapatuna, and Anne-Clara Sanon

## Ecology at the Eco Museum



The grade one's trip to the Eco Museum was a complete success! The grade ones learned a lot and saw many animals. They saw two raccoons sleeping in a tree, a snowy owl,

and an arctic fox whose fur hasn't time. changed yet. He sounded like a cat. The kids touched a snake and it was very slippery. They saw two porcupines eating breakfast and they smelled bad. They

By: Eloise Latreille  
and Alex  
Masciotra-Milstein

## Book Fair and Bake Sale 2012: A Great Success

Once again, our annual library fundraiser was a tremendous success. We raised \$5974.92.

We would like to thank all the parents who volunteered their time by baking and helping out at the Book Fair and Bake Sale. This includes those parents who contributed so freely and generously when asked to donate raffle prizes. Without your participation, this fundraiser could not have

happened. And to all the High School students who helped, a huge thank you!

A very special thank you goes out to the Book Fair committee members and all the wonderful volunteers who had the mammoth task of organizing the Bake Sale and Raffle. They went far above the call of duty to make this year's Bake Sale and Raffle a phenomenal success. The generous donations of their time and effort are very much appreciated.

Once again, thank you so much for supporting the library fundraiser. Your generous contribution will help us to build and to improve on the current range of books which is needed to support the curriculum and to encourage students to read as much as possible.

Regards,

Surbhi Kaul & Kelly Meehan,  
Elementary library



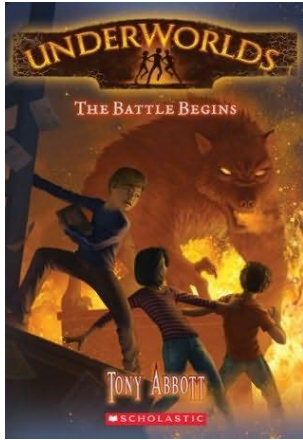
## Anniversary Coming Soon

On November 14<sup>th</sup>, Anne Renaud, the author of *Into the Mist*, came to talk to Cycle 3 students about the tragic sinking of *The Empress of Ireland*, a very famous ship. More people died on *The Empress* than on the *Titanic*. The ship collided with the *Storstad*,

a giant armored ship carrying coal. Thousands of lives were lost in the St. Lawrence River that morning. The fog was thick, so the ships collided and *The Empress* sank to the bottom of the river in only a matter of minutes. The story of *The Empress*

*of Ireland* was sad. The grade 6 students will be reading a novel based on the story in their French class.

By Laura Goher, Annie Gouchee and Gia Rozzi



## New Adventure for Grade 4

This November about four their friend. So the grade four adventurous kids: far the grade students are Dana, Owen, fours are really reading The John, and Sydney enjoying the book Underworlds/The who travel into and are excited Battle Begins. the underworlds to finish it! This book is to try to save

By: Sarah Klein

## Division I Basketball Players Announced!

This month we team and her position is year, Francis was a call-up interviewed two down low. She said that if from the division 2 students on the she wouldn't have made basketball team. He is the Division 1 basketball it on the team, she would assistant captain. He says team. The first student have tried out for Division he is proud and we interviewed was 1 hockey. Lexi's jersey is responsible. His jersey Lexi House. It's her number 11. She said the number is 20. His goal is to first year on the team. tryouts were hard and be a better player and to She said it was she was nervous. She help his team out. awesome to be on the also said that she would team and she was like to try out for By: Andrea Kapusy surprised that she basketball next year in made it through the high school. tryouts. Lexi likes Next we interviewed being the tallest on the Francis St-Onge. Last

## Places of Worship

The grade three a synagogue, and a in Ethics .Each of students went on Hindu temple. them brought a field trip to They went to four quarters to different places these places donate to each of worship. They because they are location. visited a church, a learning about the places of worship By Diana Maltezos mosque,



## Planetarium Comes to Kuper

On November 12<sup>th</sup>, Lorik came to talk to the sixth graders about Space. He talked about the solstices and the seasons. Did you know that the Earth is tilted? Did you know that if it wasn't tilted, there would only be one season all year long? Imagine if it

was just winter for ever and ever! Lorik talked to the sixth graders about the Milky Way Galaxy and the constellations. He brought a blow-up planetarium with him and the students got to experience being in Space! The grade 6 students learned

about the Big Dipper and the Little Dipper. Guess how you can see the millions of constellations in the sky at night? The Big and Little Dippers are big and little bears, so try to find their tails first! The trip to space was very exciting!

By Annie Gouchee, Laura Goher and Gia Rozzi



## Curl! Sweep!



*Curling has just started. This sport is being coached by Mme Gagnon. There are 29 students on the team. There is going to be an end of the year tournament*

*in April. Mme Gagnon is working on their curling and team building skills. They're improving greatly. Keep up the good work! The high school team*

*is doing great and has already won their first game!*

*By;Brittanie Murray*

## And the rest is History...

On November 1<sup>st</sup>, the grade 5 students went to the Musée des Beaux Arts and Musée McCord. At Musée des Beaux Arts, they saw many different pieces of art. For example, they saw

Things from ancient Egypt. The grade 5s saw a tomb where the Egyptians put mummies in. They heard a lot of stories on the history of the pieces of art or what they were used for. At Musée McCord they heard about the

history of Montreal. For example, they learned about how the people in the past lived and what their hobbies were!

By: Annie Gouchee



## Strawberry Smoothie

### Ingredients:

- 1 cup strawberries
- 1 ripe banana
- 2 cups milk
- 3/4 cup vanilla yogurt



By: Anne-Clara Sanon, Dinu Mahapatuna, and Dahlia Klein

## Poppy Delights

### Ingredients:

- 1 pkg. (250 g) *Philadelphia* Brick Cream Cheese, softened
- 3/4 cup butter, softened
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 2 tsp. vanilla
- 2-1/4 cups flour
- 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 3/4 cup ready-to-spread vanilla frosting
- 1 cup red-coloured sugar
- 3 tbsp semi-sweet chocolate chips

**1) BEAT** first 4 ingredients in large bowl with mixer until well blended. Mix flour and soda; gradually beat into cream cheese mixture. Refrigerate 30 min.

**2) HEAT** oven to 350°F. Roll dough to 1/4-inch thickness on lightly floured surface. Cut into 56 circles with 2-inch cookie cutter. Place cutouts, 2 inches apart, on baking sheets sprayed with cooking spray. Use tip of teaspoon to make 1 indentation in centre and 4 indentations around edge of each to resemble flower.

**3) BAKE** 14 to 16 min. or until edges are lightly browned. Cool on baking sheets. Remove to wire racks; cool completely.

**4) SPREAD** cookies with frosting; dip in coloured sugar. Place 1 chocolate chip, upside-down, in centre of each.

**Why are school cafeteria workers cruel?**

Because they batter fish, beat eggs, and whip cream.

**Why did the jellybean go to school?**

To become a smartie!



Mini Kuper Staff Hallowe'en Photo

*Happiness often  
sneaks in through  
a door you didn't  
know you left  
open.*

*-John Barrymore*



Mrs. Maggie's Knitting Club

# Person of the Month

## MALE ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

Tommy Simard is quite the athlete when it comes to go-karting. He has competed in many different races and practises most weekends. He is sponsored and devotes a lot of his time to practising his turns and cut-throughs. He never gives up and loves a challenge. His favourite thing to do is race people who are ahead of him from the start line.

Great job Tommy!

## FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

This month we have chosen Emma Bishop to be the player of the month. The sports she plays are hockey, soccer and swimming. Also, she is one of the two girls on the Division 1 hockey team. This takes a lot of enthusiasm and courage. She is new to the school and made the Division 1 hockey team and soccer team already. She played on the soccer team as centre forward and in hockey she plays right defence. Next year, her goal is going to be to become the team captain. Keep up the great work Emma!

By: Taylor Nix

## CYCLE 3 STUDENT OF THE MONTH

This month's student of the month is Melina Papanastasoulis. We asked her a few questions. Here are the following questions below:

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| Q: How do you feel being student of the month?             | A: Awesome and special          |
| Q: What is your favourite colour?                          | A: Black                        |
| Q: What is your favourite animal?                          | A: Dog                          |
| Q: What is your favourite food or dessert?                 | A: Anything including chocolate |
| Q: What is your favourite sport?                           | A: Soccer                       |
| Q: What is your lucky number?                              | A: 1, 11 or 13                  |
| Q: What would you name a pet jaguar?                       | A: Gia                          |
| Q: When is your birthday?                                  | A: November 1 <sup>st</sup>     |
| Q: How many siblings do you have and what are their names? | A: Alessandro and Nicolas       |

Thank you for taking the time to talk to us!

By: Gia Rozzi, Annie Gouchee and Laura Goher

## Teacher of the Month: Mme Ivany

We are excited to have Melissa Ivany as the teacher of the month. Her nickname is Mel. She told us that her husband and friends call her that. Mme Ivany was born in St. John's, Newfoundland. She

has one sibling, her brother Mark. Mme Ivany's hobbies are knitting, running and shopping. Her favourite colour is purple. Her favourite fruit is grapefruit. Her favourite restaurant is

Portovino. If she could visit any place in the world, she would visit Greece because it looks so beautiful and there is so much to see and do.

By: Madyson Wroblewski, Rana Amhaz, and Mehnu Mahapatana

## Salon Du Livre 2012

The grade three students went to Le Salon du Livre and La Grande Bibliothèque. They got to buy books in Le Salon Du Livre. They met Mélanie Watt. They talked about her book and found it to be quite interesting. After that, they ate lunch there. They had tons of fun!

By: Victoria Tran



## Book Fair: A Great Success

The Book Fair and Bake Sale were a blast. Many students bought great gifts for the holidays. Many people donated books. The treats were delicious and the books were

interesting. There were wonderful prizes at the raffle table such as watches, hockey sticks, free dress day for you and your class, and jewellery. The grade 6

jewellery club made great earrings. The Book Fair was a blast!

BY :Rana Amhaz and Madyson Wroblewski



## TOP TEN LIST

We asked 100 Kuper students what their favourite genre of movie is.

- Super hero 27
- Funny 20
- Action 19
- Horror 18
- Adventure 10
- Mystery 8
- Animated 5
- Documentaries 3
- Romantic 2
- Science Fiction 1

By: Tommy Simard, Mishal Alarifi, David Sislian

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