

# Grade 8 Update Semester 2- May 2025

#### **Athletic Awards**

 June 5 5:30 pm - Our annual athletic awards ceremony will be held on June 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm (doors will open at 5:15pm). This is a night to celebrate all of our hard-working student athletes, coaches and volunteers. Please come out and support our athletics programs.

# **Awards Assembly**

- Afternoon assembly on June 20
- Awards recognizing academic achievement in complementary subjects, Heart of Learning, Sarah Gartner Character Education and Student of the Year will be presented during this ceremony.
- Merit and Honours awards will not be recognized at this ceremony as marks will not be finalized e with final exams still being written. Honours and merit certificates will be mailed home.

## Ms. Babyn

#### Fashion 8

Students have been working diligently on finishing their Pj pants. We have taken a short break from sewing so we can get into the kitchens. We've been discussing kitchen and food safety so once students are done their pants they can put their culinary talents to the test on making some yummy food to taste test.

#### Health 8

We have two short units left to cover: Life Roles, Career Development and Volunteerism as well as Human Sexuality. If you haven't already returned your Permission Click form

for the Human Sexuality unit, please check your email and do so at your earliest convenience.

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!

#### REC 8

We have one last field trip coming up on June 2 for 5 pin bowling at Sherwood Bowl.
 Students can bring some money for concession items. Keep an eye out for Permission Click forms.

Please email <a href="mailto:shaun.brzezicki@eips.ca">shaun.brzezicki@eips.ca</a> if you have any questions.

## Mr. Buchert

#### Drama 8

We have just finished up our improv unit and now we will be sorking on rehearsing and performing scripted scenes.

#### • Film 8

This group has already created some fantastic short films! They have just started filming their most recent projects and I can't wait to see the results!

#### ELA 82

We are in the midst of our book clubs. The students are reading a variety of novels which share similar themes. We will be moving on to Poetry and Pop Culture in the near future!

Please email <a href="mailto:craig.buchert@eips.ca">craig.buchert@eips.ca</a> if you have any questions.

## Ms. Engel

- Social Studies 8 Our final unit focuses on Japan. The students will explore how Japan's
  geography shaped beliefs and values, the effects of the Edo period's isolation policy and
  Meiji period's cultural contact on Japanese identity, and the impact of Western cultures
  on the Japanese worldview. Additionally, they will examine the tensions that arise when
  a society adapts to rapid changes and how different cultures can learn to appreciate and
  benefit from one another.
- ELA 8 In our final unit of ELA 8, we will embark on an exciting journey through the decades, starting from the 1950s and reaching all the way to the 2010s. Each decade will present unique fads, trends, and iconic figures that shaped popular culture. Students will engage in riddles and challenges, sharpening their detective skills as they uncover the conspiracies of the 1960s. They will also dive into the quirky fad of Pet Rocks, appreciate the vibrant art of Keith Haring, and reflect on the powerful lyrics that defined music throughout the years. If time permits, we might even learn the lively Time Warp dance! This unit promises to be a fun and enlightening experience as we jump back in time together!

Please look at the Fultonvale calendar for ELA (Part A and B) and Social Studies final exam dates.

Please email jami.engel@eips.ca if you have any questions.

## Mr. Hazlehurst

- **Phys Ed** We have completed our track and field unit, and our annual track meet, which was a great success. As we look ahead to June, the students are looking forward to spending classes outside playing a variety of games.
- **Construction** Students are finishing their 8-foot 2x4 projects and starting to work on their second projects as we near the end of the school year.
- **Health 8** We have finished our drugs, alcohol and addiction unit, and have begun our development and human sexuality unit.

Please email kyle.hazlehurst@eips.ca if you have any questions.

## Mr. Hill

**Science 8- The** Great 8's are working through Mechanical Systems and will be finishing up our year with Fresh and Saltwater systems. In our last unit we look into some of the ecosystems that surround us and focus on the importance of water and how we as humans have impacted these environments.

Students should be starting to prepare for final exams. I will have review packages for each unit handed out to the kiddos and there will be some posted on Brightspace as well.

It's been a great year of growth for the kids and myself. I hope everyone has a safe, relaxing and AWESOME Summer! Chill

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions at <a href="mailto:craig.hill@eips.ca">craig.hill@eips.ca</a>

#### Ms. Slemko

 Math 8 - Grade 8 has just completed a unit about 3-dimensional objects and their views and nets. This sets students up for the next unit which is Surface Area and Volume.
 Students will explore surface area and volume of right rectangular prisms, right triangular prisms and cylinders.

This month I am asking all parents to make sure that your child has a calculator and pencil to use at school for math class every day. I will not have enough calculators or pencils to lend out during final exams. Please check with your child to see if they have enough pencils to last until the end of final exams.

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

# Mrs. Vicic

• **Leadership 8**- The grade 8s will continue to work with our elementary classes during Buddy Time. We will also work on our leadership posters including quotes and analyzing movie characters that illustrate traits and qualities of a good leader.

Please email dustine.vicic@eips.ca if you have any questions.