



# inside look

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The 6/7 Class has been doing so much to discover the wonders of God. We thought you might want to hear about their most recent adventure!

## Lynn Canyon Exploratory: Biodiversity and Bundles of Fun

Who thought learning could be so much fun, especially when it involved a 5:45 a.m. departure from school? After driving to Mission, we hopped on the 6:45 a.m. West Coast Express, bound for Waterfront Station in Downtown Vancouver. As the morning mist lifted, we disembarked at the Moody Centre Station, and boarded the Sky Train to Brentwood Town Centre. A short walk led us to the first of two bus rides, bringing us to the Lynn Canyon Ecology Centre.

At the centre, after a snack and the heartfelt singing of “Happy Birthday” to Abigail, we began with an exploration of various displays and historical plaques. This information, paired with conversations with the knowledgeable staff, helped to deepen our understanding of biodiversity in the temperate Lynn Valley Rainforest. With our newfound knowledge, we embarked on a real-life field study, examining specific habitats and conducting comprehensive biodiversity observations. Back at the centre, we marveled at the diverse array of bugs, leaves, spiders, centipedes, and even a banana slug, magnified digitally to reveal their intricate beauty and purpose in the ecosystem.



As we wrapped up our final explorations, hiking over the Lynn Valley Suspension Bridge to the Twin Falls Bridge, our hearts were filled with gratitude for the incredible God-made wonders we had witnessed.

Even after ascending over 450 steps during our canyon adventure, the students’ enthusiasm remained palpable as we strolled through Lonsdale Quay, savouring some delightful ice cream and capturing lasting memories.

This exploratory deepened our understanding of the intricate tapestry of nature and reminded us of the profound responsibility we bear as stewards of this awe-inspiring planet. Reflecting on the complex details and perfect harmony of God’s creation, we were inspired to nurture and preserve this priceless gift for generations to come.



# Join Us!

## C.A.R.E. CAMPAIGN CELEBRATION NIGHT PROGRAM & DESSERT IN THE GYM

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A FUN EVENING TO CELEBRATE OUR COMMUNITY AND TO HELP US OPEN DOORS FOR FUTURE EXPANSION OF OUR SCHOOL!

NOV. 17  
6:30 PM



# An **insidelook** ... into the Grade 6/7 classroom.

## Egg Drop Challenge: Exploring the Marvels of Physics and Creativity

Our Grade 6/7 students recently embarked on an exciting scientific adventure with the Egg Drop Challenge, a captivating exploration that seamlessly integrated the wonders of physics with their boundless creativity. Aligned with our study of Forces and Gravity in Science, this hands-on challenge not only put the students' knowledge to the test but also fostered their innovative spirits.

In the weeks leading up to the challenge, students studied the concepts of gravity, forces, mass, and Newton's Laws of Motion. Through extensive online investigation, students sought inspiration and direction from a variety of designs and strategies, looking at the different elements in a successful egg drop.

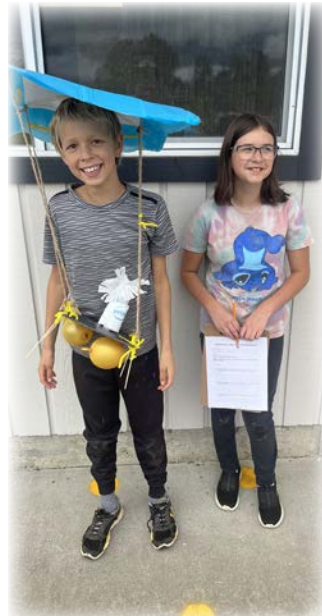
Armed with these newfound insights, our budding scientists moved into the design phase. The resulting design sketches reflected a good blend of scientific understanding and creative flair, showcasing the spirit of exploration deeply ingrained in our curriculum.

As the contraptions took shape during the development phase, the students realised that they still needed to have the flexibility to make changes on the fly as needed. Some adaptations had to be made to most of the original designs to ensure that their precious cargo would be protected for the ultimate challenge.

The testing phase that followed created a sense of excitement and anticipation in our classroom and throughout the whole school. The contraptions, put to the ultimate test from varying heights, stood resiliently, effectively shielding the delicate eggs from impact. The final test, conducted from the dizzying heights of our gym roof, left only one survivor.



Ultimately, the Egg Drop Challenge stands as a testament to the remarkable capabilities of our students, highlighting not only their scientific prowess but also their spirit of exploration and collaboration. We take immense pride in their achievements and the valuable lessons they have learned through this enriching experience.





# An **inside**look ... our students' perspective ...



"What makes me say 'Wow!' is that the leaves change colour."

- Arley B.



"Making pumpkin muffins makes me say, 'Wow!'."

- Avery S.



"I love fall. I say 'Wow!' when I think about leaves and how they have a life cycle."

- Hanna V.



"What makes me say, 'Wow!' about the fall season is when I go outside to play and I'm stepping in colours of red, yellow, orange and sometimes purple!"

- Levi T.



"I say, 'Wow!' when I think of salmon and how they die just because they want their babies to live, and then the babies die for their next babies. Wow, wow, wow!"

- Tanner W.



"The different colours of leaves and types of pumpkins make me say, 'Wow!', and how some of them are green and orange. When they are in the shade, they turn a different colour from when they are in the sun."

- Maeve t.

## Question of the Month

"What makes you say 'Wow!' about the Fall season?"



"I say, 'Wow!' about colourful leaves and leaf tornadoes. Leaf tornadoes remind us of God's hug plan twirling and swirling together."

- Kezaira G.



"What makes me say, 'Wow!' is how all the leaves fall off the trees at the right time. It would be weird if they all fell off in summer."

- Aria N.



"I say, 'Wow' when I look at the beautiful mountains with just a bit of snow on their rocky tops and the different coloured leaves. I love looking up there before school with the cool fall breeze and smell."

- Lillian C.



"Fall makes me say 'Wow'.

The colours in the fall time are very pretty. I love it when the leaves crunch under my feet. It is very satisfying to walk on and it sounds like someone is eating chips. When the wind blows, it makes the trees blow around and the leaves fall and hit against each other. I just love that! It sounds so satisfying."

- Olivia M.



"Something that makes me say 'Wow' about fall is that it reminds me of turkeys. Turkeys make me think of Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving reminds me to be thankful. It's so cool how God made my mind think from fall to thankfulness."

- Jessica W.

# An **inside**look into ... what's happening.

## The PAC

- Join our "Agassiz Christian School Parents" Facebook group for reminders and calls for volunteers.
- There is a **walking group** that leaves from our parking lot weekdays between 8:30-8:40 a.m., returning around 10:00 a.m. Days vary from week to week so please contact Kristin Te Brinke if you would like to be added to the Messenger group!
- **The next PAC meeting** is November 7th at 7 p.m. - Everyone is welcome!
- If you would like to help out at all throughout the year, please contact Kristin at 604-217-2126.



## Board Update

Thank you to everyone who came out for our Townhall meeting & AGM on October 19. We discussed the future expansion of our school and received unanimous approval to go forward with purchasing a portable classroom, which will be used for Preschool so that the K-7 classes can remain in the school building.

We are looking into getting cubbies or lockers for the grade 6/7 classroom.

A new back-up bus driver has been found to help out when needed. If you know of any other on-call bus drivers, please contact Josh Vanden Eykel.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the CARE campaign dessert night on Nov. 17!



## Staffing Updates

Our Preschool is saying goodbye to Mrs. Natasha Timmins, as she has accepted a position in Abbotsford. We wish her all the best! We are excited to welcome Miss Amy Lagemaat and Mrs. Julia Hertgers to our Preschool team.

## Important Dates to Remember

- **October 25, 26 - Parent-Teacher Conferences**
- **October 27 - No School (in lieu of P/T conferences)**
- **November 2 - Photo Re-Takes**
- **November 3 - Sports-themed Dress-Up Day**
- **November 7 - PAC meeting**
- **November 9, 10 - No School (CEBC Conference for teachers)**
- **November 13 - No School (in lieu of Remembrance Day)**
- **November 17 - CARE Campaign Celebration**
- **November 24 - No School for students - Report Card Writing**



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