

Morning families,

I hope that each of you had an incredible Thanksgiving weekend! The weather certainly couldn't have been better. My family and I enjoyed lots of time in nature and saw a ton on wildlife from bear, deer, bunny, and grouse – oh the country. Reflecting on the past week as a school community we very much have so much to be thankful for. The spirit of play and fun this week with the extra sun had us all running to match the energy of the kids, certainly glad I have some comfortable shoes.



Silliness reigns:

Emily's class is always eager to share in their learning. Students got their hands dirty in crafting maps displaying continents, some fictitious ones were removed by other peers. This stage was just before these land masses and water ways were painted in. You could tell that this was an activity that all gained knowledge and shared in some fun along the way.



Outside time:

We have organized several play items for the kids to play with outside. In our bin for this month, we have hula hoops, basketball, football, bounce balls (four square), soccer, and other items for catch. Basketball skills has been a real focus for some, with good gameplay developing. It is great to see this commitment to the game. Some other activities / creative play just develops, such as the spa. I had the pleasure of getting my hair done by some in the Seedlings class, and yes to those that asked I did now that I had wildflowers throughout my hair, I did forget later at the grocery store though - whoops...



Seedlings learning grows:



From being in the class when they were just beginning to identifying shapes to now, their learning and comfort in sharing what they know now has come full circle. Keep up with sharing and extending your knowledge Seedlings – you got this!

Welcome to Wildflower 'Nugget':

What timing!
Kirsten's class had an impromptu visit from new puppy Nugget. Although I do appreciate math, this was a welcomed distraction. Thank you, Goran and family, for sharing with us your incredible new addition. We were all very jealous. The students did a great job in waiting their turn, despite the cuteness overload of puppy cuddles!



Big Kids, get schooled:



Flexing P.E. time to accommodate special guest (Wildflower alum) is an operation in giving back. The students were pumped to learn from a peer. They were super attentive and sweaty after fulling engaging in martial arts. The students were a buzz after, discussing who was going to join as 'that was sick'. Thanks, to Barb for fostering that quite close connection. Loved it!



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Friday's work party got some student engagement:



Thank you for yet another rewarding and productive work party. Getting this in place before the weather turns has been a top priority for our school community. A huge shout out to Kim for her lead this past Friday.

Thankful indeed!

With care,

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