

MR. JOHN - GRADE FIVE

NOVEMBER

The International School



A Recap...

It's that time of the year again! As the snow approaches and we all approach the holiday season, let's reflect upon some of last month's endeavors. In English, the students finished *The BFG*, and worked with implementing/developing their ideas on themes in novels. Students were also challenged to compare the film *The BFG* with the novel as well as combine their understanding of themes in a writing project. Also, following our practice with language acquisition, students had a friendly Spelling Bee. Combining words learned throughout the semester, students worked initially in groups with focus on accuracy, eventually moving to an individual style of spelling until a winner emerged victorious! In Math, students have understood the early basics of algebraic expressions by learning about equations. By combining their understanding of patterns, and previously learned mathematical principles, this unit focuses on using logic to solve simple pattern based equation problems. Science has been focused on weather. Topics such as climate change, the water cycle, clouds and extreme weather, have been studied and discussed with great interest! Finally, Social Studies has been largely based on our colony game and combining our understanding of world geography. We also worked with the affects of European colonization on early indigenous communities. I also want to thank all of the parents for coming out to the parent-teacher conferences, stay warm out there!

Happy November!



UPCOMING EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

Charlottes Web Unit Quiz
17/12/19

Science Weather Unit Test
10/12/19

Christmas Break!
23/12/19-31/12/19

Christmas Parent Meetings
17/12/19