

Can you believe March has arrived- it doesn't quite feel like March just yet but it seems time continues to fly by! Our student-led conferences are just around the corner. We do hope you are able to attend as they provide details about your child's learning achievements at this point in time and the learning and skill developments that are the next steps. Our teachers communicate a student's level of learning based on our Alberta curriculum learning requirements. There are multiple learning outcomes in every subject for every grade level. If you have any questions about this please ask your child's teacher!

## The Student Learning Journey

- 1. The classroom teacher determines how to present the learning outcomes in a variety of engaging ways for students.
- 2. The teacher uses many different tools and activities to monitor student learning; creating many opportunities for students to practice and gain strength with these learning outcomes.
- 3. A teacher is continually assessing learning. However, at key times in the school year, a teacher may add in more formal measurements of student learning, such as a test or a diagnostic assessment like the Fountas & Pinnell Reading Assessment we use. These more formal measurements are used as benchmarks to determine learning accomplishments for a student up to that point in the school year.
- 4. This assessment information is then communicated to parents in forms such as the report card or during an interview.
- 5. The learning journey continues in the classroom with the next identified learning outcomes. The learning journey is always in motion and students are continually improving upon their previous achievements.

Our upcoming student-led conferences are a great way to gain additional understanding about your child's learning accomplishments. They will take place:

- During the day on Friday, March 17 for Kindergarten students only
- On Monday, March 20 and Tuesday, March 21 for Kindergarten-Grade 4 students from 3:30-6:30pm

We hope you join us to celebrate the areas of growth you see in your child and we look forward to talking with you! With our next report card coming home at the end of June, please feel free to ask your child's teacher any questions you may have as we head into the last reporting term. On behalf of all of us at École John Wilson, I would like to thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education and we want you to know that you are all truly amazing in our eyes!

Happy Spring, Angela Warke Principal