

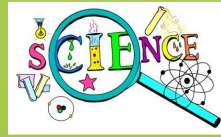
Learning Zones

As part of the Nova Scotia's Action Plan for Education, content areas are no longer taught in isolation. The subjects of Science, Social Studies, Health and Visual Arts will be taught in an integrated fashion during Integrated Language Arts and Integrated Mathematics as part of Learning Zones. These Learning Zones will provide a variety of learning opportunities for students. The Zones set up in our classroom are:

- Reading Zone
- Writing Zone
- Math Zone
- Technology Zone
- Art Zone
- Science Zone



Content Areas



Social Studies

- Groups
- Needs and Wants
- Environment

Visual Arts

- Exploring Materials
- Examining Art
- Respect toward

Science

- Exploring Materials and their Properties
- Daily and Seasonal Changes
- Living Things
- Constructing Objects

Health

- Healthy Self
- Healthy Relationships

Grade 1 Brine



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Integrated Language Arts

Reading and Viewing, Speaking and Listening, and Writing are explored throughout the three terms. Students will be engaged in:

- Reader's Workshop
- Writer's Workshop
- Word Work
- Technology Integration

Integrated Mathematics

Math in the early grades is very "Hands-On". Students will engage in many learning opportunities using a variety of manipulatives.

Topics/strands explored are:

- Numbers to 20
- Patterning
- Geometry
- Measurement



Communication

Communication is extremely important when it comes to the education of your child. Message Bags are sent home daily. It is important that they are returned every day

With today's technology, communication is easier than ever.

I use a program called "Fresh Grade" to provide you with live videos and pictures of learning experiences that take place in the classroom.

Remind is a web-based program that allows me to send group messages and reminders in the form of a text message or email. You will need to subscribe to these programs to receive messages

Also, please feel free to call or email me if you ever have any questions or concerns.

Assessment & Evaluation

Grade One students will receive a letter grade on their report cards for Language Arts (Reading, Writing and Speaking and Listening), and Math. Report Card comments will include a strength, a challenge, and a suggestion for improvement. I use a variety of assessment and evaluation tools throughout the year to determine your child's level of understanding of the

- Conferences
- Observations
- Conversations
- Rubrics
- Student Work
- Running Records