



# Mme. Purdy-Weir's Post January 2024

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

- ◆ **January 25th**—Garnet & Gold presentation of *Beauty and The Beast* 9am @ MTA

## REMINDERS

- \* **AGENDAS**—Please continue to check and initial your student's agenda **daily** to ensure that all homework is being completed properly and in case there should be any correspondence from teachers.
- \* **READING**—Students should be reading in French for 15 minutes each evening for homework (Monday to Thursday). At least ***twice a week, students should read out loud to someone else at home—in order to practice the strategies worked on in class.***

## OUR FOCUS THIS MONTH:



**HAPPY 2024 TO ALL!** As we enter the new year, and the second portion of Grade 5, we have lots of curriculum still to cover. This month we will continue with our science study of the human body, begun before the holiday break. We have studied the digestive system and will now continue

with the respiratory, circulatory, skeletal/muscular and nervous systems. We will also continue to work on our weekly word work lessons and various other written assignments. Students will also be expected to continue with their nightly reading to continue to strengthen their fluency and comprehension. Next, we will return to social studies to look at ancient societies, in particular, Antiquity and the lost kingdom of Nubia.

## ELA NEWS:



This month we will begin a class novel entitled *A Dog's Life* and through this novel will be working on the skill of evaluating or formulating and supporting our opinions. Throughout this unit we will continue to practice reading and writing skills in various capacities—learning and practicing how to properly express our personal opinions about specific topics. Students will also be exploring new vocabulary encountered in the novel through various word lists and word work exercises.



## MATHEMATICS NEWS:

In Math we will start the new year continuing our work on area and perimeter. Next, we will take some time to review whole numbers, working with numbers between one hundred thousand and one million. We will then move on to estimation, where we will learn strategies for estimating and use those strategies to help solve addition and subtraction questions. Students who do not yet know their times tables should please continue to review these nightly.

