It was a short week and our flexibility was tested on Wednesday (which was really a Monday schedule) when we had to fit both TUSC for MacLaren Centre and running an election with Wiggins centre at the same time! Votes have been cast and Wiggins Centre did a fantastic job running the school-wide student vote 2019. Results will be released in a GMS email message on Tuesday and to the students over the announcements. I hope you had a good weekend and were

able to enjoy spending some time outside in the sunshine.

## Math

This week we focused on learning about exponents and students were able to participate in a small paper folding experiment to solidify their understanding of exponential growth. If you get a chance, ask them about the TED Talk video on paper folding thicknesses. Any practice of multiplication tables will be helpful in order to improve automaticity. Looking ahead... we will wrap up our first unit and focus on square roots and order of operations. There will be math homework next week and they will have a second quiz by the end of the week on what we have covered.

## MUSIC (EMF7B)

This week we focused on our first three notes and the class learned how to play "Hot Cross Buns" by rote. Looking ahead... we will be continue in the method book looking at our 4th, & 5th notes. Students will have homework in Music and should be practicing 15 minutes 3 - 4 times per week in order to build their embouchure (muscles that form the positioning for their mouth, cheeks, and lips in order to make sounds with their mouthpieces on the instruments).

## English

Karen

This week both MacLaren and Wiggins Centres presented their political party platform information to GMS classes on Tuesday. It isn't always easy to speak to students in other classes, especially if they are are in a higher grade, but everyone rose to the challenge and did a great job sharing their knowledge and power-points. MacLaren Centre had TUSC on Wednesday and Wiggins Centre deferred TUSC until this week as they were running the student election. We continued our look at the election with an editorial cartoon assignment on Friday (Due Friday, October Looking ahead... students will be working on two reading strategies this week and working on creating descriptive sentences using strong adjectives and adverbs. I will give students 40 minutes to work on their News Literacy assignment. If they need additional time outside of class, then they will need to take the assignment home. Each class will be heading to the library this week and I will be conferencing with them regarding their personal reading habits, strengths, and areas of need/improvement.

On my website this week you will find:

• TUSC roles for Oct 23rd

On Google Classroom students can find...

• News Literacy - Editorial Cartoon Assignment

STAY IN TOUCH...