

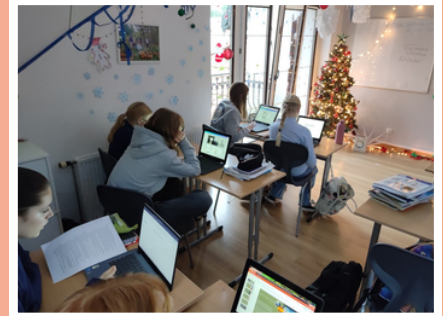
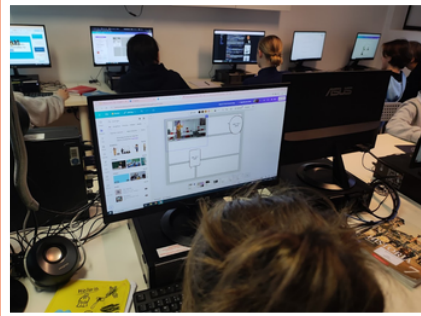
Grade 7

# December Newsletter



## LANGUAGE ARTS

The students have done a lot of reading and comprehension this month. Reading a text in class and summarizing the text verbally, as well as pair and group work discussing the text, and questioning events that happened within the stories. They have also just started to prepare their own fictional story using complex sentences.



## MATHEMATICS

This month students have been focusing on rates, ratios and unit rates. We began by looking at scale and measuring distances on a map. Students drew their own scaled map of the classroom. We looked at unit rates and tried to determine which item would be a deal.



## HISTORY

Students began working on a comic strip project in groups to research different inventions at the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries. They looked at: the electric motor, Tesla vs. Edison, the telephone and radio telegram, the Curies and their discoveries, the internal combustion engine, Alfred Nobel, Louis Pasteur, and the Wright brothers.

## SCIENCE

In the last two weeks, we have finished learning about the respiratory system. We wrapped up the most important elements in a graded assignment. We also learnt about how stamina can influence the amount of oxygen that can be transported in the bloodstream, causing your breathing and heart rate to increase less compared to someone who does not play sports or work out. After watching a video about La Rinconada, a mining town in Peru situated at an altitude of 5,100 metres, we discussed that the inhabitants have twice the amount of red blood cells due to the thin atmosphere.

