

GRADE 5

MARKET DAY - FINANCIAL LITERACY

In Grade 5, our students engaged in a hands-on financial literacy unit within Wellness, where they put their newly acquired knowledge of budgeting into practice. The fifth-grade cohort organized a market day where they sold customized items, delicious baked goods, and fun games. Aside from developing knowledge about spending and saving choices, students learned essential skills throughout the process. This began with brainstorming, where they generated ideas for products to create and sell. Students then shifted to planning, carefully considering their product requirements and what materials they would need to bring their ideas to life. Each student had only \$200 to spend and needed to keep this budget in mind, tracking their expenses and calculating the most cost-effective deals. As an extension, they worked out the cost per item to set reasonable prices and learned how to calculate projected profit.

On Market Day, our students provided a diverse range of products. At every turn, there were amazing items to discover, fresh treats to enjoy, and exciting games to play! Boba tea, bracelets, slime, and games that tested throwing accuracy and football skills were available. There were also fun activities, such as a photo booth and a guessing game with M&M's on a cake, ensuring there was something for everyone to enjoy! We were thrilled to have customers from Grades 3, 4, 6, and high school, along with teachers, participate in the festivities. It was a fantastic morning for all!

Market Day provided our students with an opportunity to put our school mission statement into action – to cultivate learners with knowledge, skills, integrity, and discernment, growing in love for God and service to humanity. From the early days of brainstorming and planning all the way to the day of the event, the Grade 5 students practiced making decisions and contributions from the heart to serve. All proceeds were donated to a local non-profit organization, Crossroads Foundation. It was an up-close and personal way for students to serve both our school community and Hong Kong, effectively helping those in need around the globe.

