Hello Students and Families!

I hope you all are keeping well and managing to get in some sunshine when we have it. In our house we are trying to get outside every day and are having a lot of fun bird watching in our backyard. We have some new birds who have come to visit us, including White-Crowned Sparrows and Audubon’s Warbler. Have you seen any birds like this in your neighbourhood? Look up pictures!

This week I have a hip-hop song for you. Hip-hop is a genre of music that uses rhythmic speaking in place of singing, and often uses samples (small parts) of songs that are repeated over and over to create a full length song. Drums and bass play an important roll in hip-hop.

Hip-hip began in New York City in the late 1970s and is still very, very popular. There are many, many sub-genres of hip-hop (that means there are lot of different kinds). I like the kind of hip hop that uses catchy samples and that have a positive message in the lyrics. The song I pick for this week is a called “Can I Kick It?” by a band called Tribe Called Quest. Tribe Called Quest got together in 1985 and this song came out in 1990. In this video you can really see the 90’s style!

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As always, I would love to hear what you thought of the song, and of course pictures (or videos!) of dance parties are extra welcome ☺

Bye for now,

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