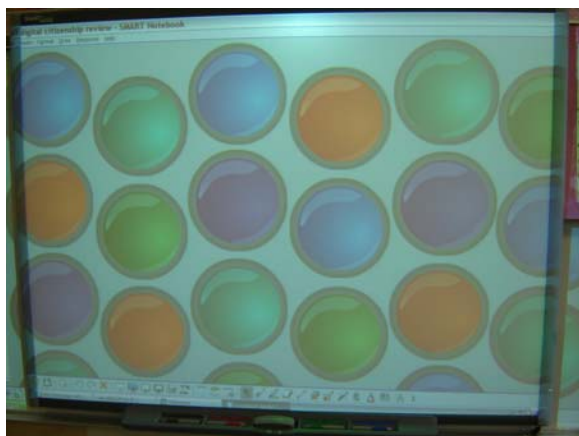


DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP---The topic has been seen and heard throughout classrooms at Terrace Ridge for the past month. Terrace Ridge teachers have been discussing Digital Citizenship with their classes....and students have been fully engaged in this conversation. While it may seem like a daunting subject, students really do enter into an engaged dialogue about it, as it relates specifically to their world. While it is a serious topic and one which we are taking seriously at Terrace Ridge, it can be taught in an interactive and fun way. If you would have stopped by the Grade 4 class one afternoon last week, you would have found Mrs. McWhinnie's students participating in a review game that involved the SMARTboard, one question for each student, a very squishy ball and 25 extremely enthusiastic learners who were playing a game of *Digital Citizenship Review Kooshball*. Many students in Grades 4-7 are also involved in *Passport to the Internet*--a series of lessons and online activities that simulate real life examples of social media interactions and web-based activities that are pertinent to children and teens. Younger children in Grades k-3 are using ideas from *Netsmartz*--comprised of kid friendly lessons, videos and activities, it keeps students interested and excited. Digital Citizenship is not something that can be taught one time and then is 'done'. It is an ongoing discussion about real-life online and is also something that is constantly changing. Ask your child what they have learned about being safe online and also the idea of being a good citizen online. And then continue to watch for more details about what Terrace Ridge students and teachers are discussing about Digital Citizenship in the upcoming months.



Pictured here: Digital Citizenship Review Kooshball Game using the SMARTboard.

