FLAGS THAT TALK

Flags that are a certain color or shape were once used to tell people what kind of weather to expect. These flags were used before we had radio, television, or internet to tell us about the weather. There were five flags used to signal the weather forecast which are shown below. When the temperature flag was placed above any of the flags in the top row, it meant warmer weather; placed below meant colder. When the temperature flag was not flown, it meant the temperature would not change more than four degrees from the temperature of the same hour of the day before in the months from March to October, and not more than six degrees for days in the months of November to February. When the cold wave flag was flown it meant a <u>sudden</u> and <u>drastic</u> fall in temperature.

On a separate piece of paper, use these flags to tell what you think the weather will be like for the next 7 days. Can your classmates guess what weather you predict?

