# Puckey's Press

Our Classroom Newsletter

#### November 6, 2015

## Upcoming Events

- November 9-20 ~ Non-perishable food drive! Send in any canned or boxed food to help our school donate to those in need locally!
- → November 11 ~ Veteran's Day Assembly
- → November 23 ~ Early Dismissal at 12:15 Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:00-8:00 pm
- November 24 ~ Early Dismissal at 12:15
  Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:00-3:15 pm
- ➔ November 25 ~ Early Dismissal at 12:15
- → November 26, 27, 30 ~ NO SCHOOL
- → December 1 ~ School is in-session

#### What We're Learning:

- Reading/Language Arts We have been working on our sight words, decomposing words to hear sounds, tap them out, and record what we hear, short vowel sounds, endings -ed and -ing, and continuing to work on our sentences. We have also discussed characters and continued to practice retelling the beginning, middle, and ending of stories.
- Writing We have been working on reading and checking our stories for mistakes (editing), paying close attention to capitalization, punctuation, and the sounds our words should make (spelling). We have completed our first writing Unit and will be moving into Unit 2 next week.
- Math We have been working on our addition and subtraction skills, solving simple number stories, and solving problems with missing numbers. We have come to the end of Unit 2 and have completed our Unit 2 assessment.
- Science We have taken a small break from our science book and have been discussing the pumpkin lifecycle.
- Social Studies We have recently discussed past, present, and future. We have talked about history and traditions.
   We have also begun discussing Veteran's Day and learning about why we celebrate this special holiday.

## Notes from the Teacher

- Our school is collecting non-perishable canned and boxed food items for a school-wide food drive! We will once again work together as a school to build something with all the food we collect and then will donate the food to local food pantries to help those in need. Please send in your canned food donations from November 9-20<sup>th</sup>! The class that donates the most canned goods will win a mystery prize!
- November Scholastic Book Orders will be due on November 13. If you are ordering any books for the upcoming holidays, please let me know and I will gladly send them home wrapped in construction paper or arrange for them to be picked up in the office at your convenience. I will try to do one more book order in December before we go on winter break.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held November 23 from 1:00-8:00 pm and November 24 from 1:00-3:15 pm. Sign-ups came home this week in your child's folder on bright pink paper. Please select the time frame that works best for you and I will schedule a conference time for you. A confirmation of your conference will be sent home once all forms have been returned and I can create a schedule. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.
- Reading Calendars that are returned at the beginning of each month will be signed by me for our reading time in class. Students need to read 15 minutes a total of 30 times. Any work they do at home on iStation can count towards their reading time!
- We are running low on our germ-x stash and are down to our last two bottles (which are currently in use). If you are out and about and think of us, a donation of germ-x would be greatly appreciated!! Cold season is just around the corner and we'd like to stay as healthy as possible in the classroom. Thanks in advance for any help!

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