



# November News

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## Important Dates: October 31– November 4

Book Fair Week

### November 3

PTA Family Book Fair  
Night 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

### November 11

Veterans' Day Open House  
Luncheon

### November 15

Make-up picture day

### November 23

Two hour early release

### November 24-25

Thanksgiving Holiday

### November 11 Lunch Schedule

**Ashton** – 12:10– 12:45 p.m.

**McMullin**-12:15- 12:50 p.m.

**Ribble** – 12:20– 12:55 p.m.

**Testa** - 12:25– 1:00 p.m.

### Reading Homework

Remember to read each night and record the title of the books read in the agenda book.

### Math Homework

We will be starting math homework next week. Please complete and return by Friday.

## Fantastic First Grade

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that the first quarter has come to a close.

In **language arts**, we will continue to read and write daily. It is our goal to stress the importance of neat handwriting and the correct formation of letters. In addition, some things we are looking for in student writing are spacing between words, using beginning and ending consonant sounds, and writing simple sentences that make sense. At reading time we are beginning literacy centers, which include guided reading groups. Please continue to read daily with your child and record it in your child's



agenda.

In **math**, we will begin the new quarter looking at fractions. We will focus on equal parts,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ . We will then begin to add and subtract numbers to 18. Please review The math papers that come home with your child. Your extra help is invaluable. Please also remember to sign tests that come home and return them to your child's teacher.

In **science**, we will continue to study the changes that occur during the fall season. We will pay special attention to the leaves and trees. We will learn about "leaf litter" and the critters

that live in and underneath the "litter".



In **health**, we will talk about how the colder weather affects the way we dress. We will discuss the importance of covering our mouths and washing our hands after sneezing and coughing.

In **social studies**, we will study Veteran's Day. We will compare past and present as we learn about the Pilgrims and Native Americans.

We want to thank all of our wonderful volunteers who have helped in the cafeteria and those who helped at *Hayfield Happening*.

Sincerely,

The First Grade Teachers

It would be helpful to your child if you would please:

1. Put money on your child's lunch account.
2. Keep birthday treats small and simple

3. Send a note when your child is leaving school in a different way. If you are picking up your child early or your child is going to a different destination we **MUST** have a note.



We are authorized to send your child home in his/ her usual manner without a note from you.

4. Fall has arrived and it is getting cold out. Please remember that we are having outside recess and that the children should be dressed appropriately for the weather.

We appreciate all of your continuing support this year!