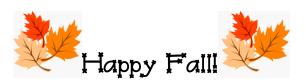


Washington Elementary School

Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>

# Classroom News

## **Miscellaneous Tidbits**



Monday was the 1st day of Autumn. Yay for leaves changing colors, cooler temperatures (hopefully), and pumpkins, pumpkins, pumpkins!

Parent Conferences will be here before you know it on Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, through Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.

On Thursday, 10/24, we will take a field trip to Gail's Pumpkin Patch in Beason, IL. There is a \$5.50 admission fee for students. Please send that in by Thursday, 10/17. Parents who would like to volunteer to go with us need to have slips back to school by Tuesday, 10/01. I will let all volunteers know asap!



#### Reminders:

- Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>: Picture Retake Day
- Monday, October 14th: Columbus Day (No School)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade lunch with a loved one is coming up on Wednesday, 10/16. Our lunch/recess time is 12:30-1:10. Students eat lunch first.

Have a "Fall-tastic" weekend!

## **Subject Matter**

#### Reading:

This week we reviewed skills from Theme 1 stories. We practiced predicting and making connections. Next week we start Theme 2: Nature Walk. We will target making connections, comparing/contrasting, and sequencing with our story, Henry and Mudge and the Starry Night.

#### <u>Grammar:</u>

This week we worked to write number and fact topic sentences. We also used our imagination to begin creating fantasy stories. Invite your student to describe their tale of <a href="The Night the Scarecrow Came">The Night the Scarecrow Came</a> to Life. Next week we will complete our stories, and begin working on adding supporting detail sentences to math a topic sentence.

#### Spelling:

Your student's spelling list came home today in their take home folder. We will take a pretest on Monday.
Our test will be Thursday.

Please also keep practicing the sight word flashcards at home.

#### <u>Math</u>:

We are targeting strategies to help us subtract mentally! We are working hard to relate addition and subtraction to become more efficient fact solvers!

Next week we will wrap-up Topic 3.

#### <u>Science</u>:

We are exploring plant and animal life cycles and what living things needs to survive in their environment.

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Next week the students will learn about rural, urban, and suburban communities. We are also working with Character Education. Our target this month has been respect. We will move on to responsibility soon.

# **Announcements**

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