Mrs. Hlad's Classroom News Week of: Oct. 7-11

Dear parents,

I am sending home a conference day and time paper for you to sign and return to me as quick as possible, so I can make any rescheduling changes promptly. Thank you! I am super excited to meet with all of you to discuss your child's grade card and progress! Remember, I MUST meet with at least one parent for each student! Thanks!

I sent home details and the chaperone/lunch form for our upcoming field trips to Wayne's Country Market and Renaissance Theatre last Monday. Please fill out the form and send the form and \$6.00 in to me ASAP. Thank you! A reminder that ALL chaperones must have fingerprinting and an FBI check on file at our Board of Education office. Let me know if you need the form for that. Not sure if there is enough time for FBI check to be done for this field trip, but we will be taking three more field trips this year that you may want to chaperone for. Please try to chaperone, if you can. I really do need the extra help to make sure we are safe and having fun and learning. We couldn't go on field trips without chaperones!

I am launching the digital form of the Pizza Hut, Book It! Program this month. If your child read, or you read to them, 4 books a week, 16 books a month, I will email you a certificate for a free personal pizza for your child at Pizza Hut. I just read a News Journal article about a 7 year old in Lexington receiving a \$10,000 scholarship from Pizza Hut through this program! WOW! It really pays to love reading! It's important you WRITE DOWN books you've read on your child's nightly reading paper to get credit. Thanks! I have parents that have not checked the email I sent or given permission for your child to receive Pizza Hut certificates for free pizza as a reward for reading. Please check your email, and if you didn't receive one, text me your email address, and I'll try to send it again. Thanks!

Letters of the Week: Ss and Dd (make sure to go over naming the letters, producing their sounds correctly, things that start with that letter sound, and how to write the letter correctly each night)

- Words of the Week: is, are, what (make sure to go over reading ALL 30 kindergarten sight words nightly.)
- Theme: Pumpkins
- Math: Pumpkin Math and read the "Math News" parent letter and look over any math problem set papers that your child brings home. Go over again at home anything they might have missed or had trouble understanding.
- Writing: Learning what writing is and how to write a simple "I like" or "I love" story. (sentence)
- Science: Learning about parts of a pumpkin and comparing them to apple parts.
- Fun Friday Activity: To celebrate learning the letters Ss and Dd, we are going to be putting on our Sssssuper hero glasses and having a song and dance party to our favorite kindergarten songs!

Important Dates

Tonight, Monday, Oct. 7: Dowds Fall Festival, 5:00-7:00. Lots of fun! Hope you can come!

Tuesday, Oct. 8: PTO Fall Fundraiser Delivery: 3:00-5:00 pick up items @ Dowds. If you have a big order, and/or if your child rides a bus home, I suggest you come to pick up your kindergarten child and order that day so everything makes it home safely.

Wednesday, Oct. 9: Fire Prevention Day. A local fireman comes to our classroom to demonstrate and teach us about fire safety at home.

Friday, Oct. 11: Fall Picture Day: Look nice and smile pretty!:)

Thursday, Oct. 17: Kindergarten Field Trip to Wayne's Country Market! Please send in your chaperone/lunch form and \$6.00 ASAP! Thanks!

Friday, Oct. 18: NO SCHOOL: Teacher In-service Day. Please make arrangements! Thanks!

Tuesday, Oct. 22: SCRAP Recycling 12:30-2:30.

Monday, Oct. 28: Kindergarten to the Renaissance Theatre to watch Pete the Cat stage production. NO CHAPERONES allowed for this field trip due to lack of seating space at the theatre. We will be back at school in time for lunch.

Week of Oct. 28-Nov. 1: PTO Fall Book Fair and Parent/Teacher Conference Week. Conferences will be held Monday and Wednesday (Oct. 28 and 30) nights of this week. Please return your conference day and time confirmation paper to me as soon as possible! Thanks!

Friday, Nov. 1: Fall Fun Classroom Party. No costumes, please. We play a couple games, make a craft, eat a snack, and have a dance party. If you signed up to donate an item for this party, I will send home a reminder note soon in your child's folder. Thank you!

November 11th: Veteran's Day Program.

Week before Thanksgiving Break: Kindergarten Food Drive.

November 26th: 2nd Quarter Interim Reports being sent home. *SCRAP* Recycling 12:30-2:30.

Wednesday, November 27- Dec. 1: NO SCHOOL: Thanksgiving Break.

December 7: Dowds PTO Craft Show at SMS.

Have a great week!

Mrs. Hlad:)