

Week of: November 20

Room 117

Mrs. Krausmann's 1st Grade Classroom News

Important Dates:	Specials for the Week:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 11/21: Half Day (11:30 dismissal)● 11/22-11/24: Thanksgiving Break● 12/5: Report cards distributed● 12/6: Conferences● 12/7: Conferences● 12/9: Merry Morning at Mason –saturday● 12/11: Holiday Concert at Parcels● 12/21: Classroom Holiday Party (time TBD)● 12/22: Winter break begins @ end of day. School resumes Tuesday, 1/2/18	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Monday: Library-BOOK● Tuesday: Half day● Wednesday: No school● Thursday: No school● Friday: No school
<p style="text-align: center;">Weekly Words:</p> <p>Word Family: n/a</p> <p>Sight Words: No spelling words due to Thanksgiving break</p> <p>Spelling tests are given every <u>Friday</u> on the sight words listed above.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Classroom Info:</p> <p>Reading: We have been reading from pattern texts including <i>If You Give a Mouse a Cookie</i>, <i>If You Give a Moose a Muffin</i>, <i>There was an Old Lady who Swallowed some Leaves</i>, and many other first grade favorites to practice fluency.</p> <p>Writing: We read from “<i>Run, Turkey, Run</i>” and developed opinions about why we should save Turkey from becoming Thanksgiving dinner. We then used our opinions to write opinion letters for social action to the farmer.</p> <p>Math: Students were introduced to a “change to more” and “change to less” diagram and reviewed number models. Students also learned about keywords that help us understand what type of number operation should be used.</p> <p>Science/Social Studies:</p>	

These little first graders learned some big words as we worked in our weather journals. Students completed activity pages about different types of clouds, and what an anemometer is.

Character Building Block (November): Caring: This week we decorated bags and wrote kind messages to people less fortunate than us. The bags will be filled with food for the homeless & hungry on Monday Nov. 20th and distributed to those in need! I have already purchased Capri Suns.

However, Mini bags of chips, granola bars, uncrustables or leftover Halloween candy would be greatly appreciated! Thank you in advance!

Krausmann's Comments:

- **No homework packet/spelling words** due to Thanksgiving break.
- **Gleaners:** Our Mason Student Council will be collecting food pantry items for Gleaners Food Bank **now through mid-December**. Pantry items that are most needed are peanut butter, dry cereal, baby formula, any box or canned goods that are not perishable. Online donations are also welcome and easy to give (and are a tax write-off). Simply go to Gleaners.com and follow the prompts to donate online or mail a check. Thank you so much!
- **Mark your calendars for Thursday, November 30. Parents for Unity in Diversity will meet 6:30 pm-8:00 pm at Defer Elementary Library.** The topic we will explore is Everyone has a Story. FYI, there will also be childcare available for children 3 and older. If you are interested please contact Susan-susansuto@yahoo.com. This will ensure we have enough sitters available. We look forward to seeing you there!
- **11/27-12/1: Old Towel & Blanket Drive for animals in need** (sponsored by Green Team). There will be boxes outside office!
- **12/11-12/15: Bottle and Can Drive event!** (sponsored by Green Team) Our school is collecting bottles and cans to raise money to purchase a water bottle filling station and dual drinking fountain. Thanks for getting involved! Have a great weekend!
- First graders are in the Holiday concert at Parcels on Monday December 11th! Showtime 7 p.m. Children need to be at Parcels no later than 6:45 p.m, "Fancy Holiday Outfits." More info. To come!

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