Miss MaNerney's First Grade NewSletter, ISSue 8

-Ralph Wal do Emerson
 October 31st
-1A Halloween Party at $2: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ - Orange \& Black Free Dress (No face paint)

November 1st
All Saints Day Mass
-perfect uniform, please!
November 7th
Soup Kitchen item due
November 11th
Veteran's Day: No School
November 14th
Soup Kitchen item due
November 14th \& 15th School Play!

## Reminders

On the first Friday of every month, HRS students are encouraged to bring in \$1 for the Ugandan students HRS supports. Perhaps your child can "earn" \$1 to donate by setting the table cleaning up the family room or helping cook dinner!


We had fabulous field trip to Remlinger Farms today! A HUGE thanks to all the parents who chaperoned. In other October news, our Halloween party will be this Thursday from 2:00-3:00pm (set-up begins at $1: 45 \mathrm{pm}$ ). All parents are invited! Thanks so much to Libby Pickthorn and all those helping!

Some curriculum news for the week:

## Reading

We will be focusing on traditional stories (fables and fairytales) this week. While we are reading, we will be looking more closely at understanding characters as well as being able to summarize what happened in the story. We will be discussing double final consonants (in words like all, weI, pass), as well as final ck. When we hear /k/ at the end of a word that has a short vowel sound, it is usually spelled "ck"--like the words back and truck.

## Science

The students have been learning all about spiders, including that they are NOT insects but are rather a part of the arachnid family. We have learned all about the various types of ways spiders catch their prey, including several different kinds of webs.

## Math

We are continuing our study of subtraction and have learned that when comparing groups, we subtract. For example, the word problem" There are 7 rhinos and 2 hippos. How many more rhinos are there than hippos?" would be a subtraction problem. We learned that the phrase "How many more/how many fewer?" is a hint that we will be subtracting. Awesome job to our mathematicians; keep studying those math facts!!!


