

PEEK AT OUR WEEK

Miss McNerney's First Grade Newsletter, Issue 6



"I'm so glad I
live in a world
where there
are Octobers."

-Anne of Green Gables

Upcoming Events

October 22nd

Field Trip to Remlinger Farms

October 24th

Picture Retake Day

October 25th

Mid-trimester reports sent home (date changed from Oct. 18th)

October 31st

Halloween Party at 2:00pm

November 1st

All Saints Day Mass (no mass on October 30th)

November 2nd

Fall Open House

Reminders

- * We have been practicing starting sentences with an uppercase letter and writing the rest of the sentence with lowercase letters (with the exception of proper nouns). Please encourage your child to do so when writing at home as well.



Thank you so much to those who brought in pumpkins for us to use during our Pumpkin Unit! Our classroom is bursting with many different sizes and colors of pumpkins, and students head over to observe them magnifying glasses, measure them rulers, and compare & contrast the pumpkins whenever they have a free moment. We will be learning about the INSIDES of pumpkins this week!

Some curriculum news for the week:

Math

We are delving further into subtraction this week! In our addition chapter, we learned that addition is when you add two parts together to find the whole. We are now learning the relationship between addition and subtraction, as we learn that subtraction is taking one part away from the whole to find the other part.

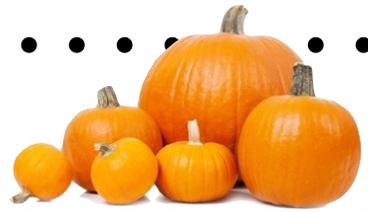
Second Step

Second Step is our social-emotional curriculum. In the last few weeks, we've been learning about listening to learn and focusing attention. When we listen, we listen with our whole bodies: using our eyes, ears, and brain. The more we practice focusing attention, the better we get at it. We are also learning how using self-talk can help to focus attention.

Technology

We will be creating a digital pumpkin plant, labeling it, and writing a caption for it in Technology Lab this week. We are also learning how to navigate to our online math games, Tumble Books, and BrainPop Jr. when we finish with our Tech Lab assignments! We use our iPads during Math Groups daily as we practice our math fact fluency using an app called Xtra Math. This helps students to practice being able to quickly recall math facts.

A PEEK INSIDE 1A



STAR OF THE WEEK

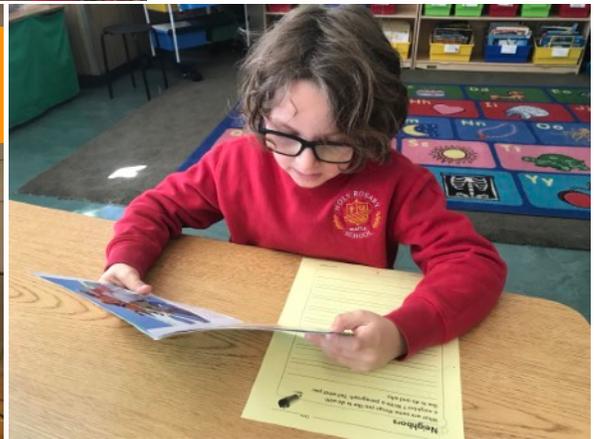


ELLIE

Ellie was our Star of the Week this past week! We learned that she enjoys playing with her dolls, eating dumplings, and doing gymnastics. Ellie's favorite colors are teal and yellow, and her favorite animals are bunnies & hamsters. She wants to be a singer when she grows up! Ellie is a joyful, kind, and fun friend. We are so happy to have Ellie as a part of our 1A family!



On Thursday afternoon, we attended the Magazine Assembly! Way to go first graders for reaching 3rd place & earning a popsicle/recess games party! Amazing job, Nona, for being our top seller!



One of our reading group activities: reading a book at our reading level, writing a response to it, and answering comprehension questions!