



Mrs. Hugh's Grade Two Classroom News October 2019

Important Dates

- Oct. 1 – School-wide Field Trip to Hooge Road Wetlands (all day)
- Oct. 11 – Photo Day
- Oct. 11 – Hot Lunch
- Oct. 14 – Thanksgiving [School closed]
- Oct. 16 – Gr. 2 Trip to the Corn Maze
- Oct. 15 – Drama Presentation “The Library” in the gym
- Oct. 18 – Hot Lunch – Jay’s Pizza
- Oct. 22-24 – Scholastic Book Fair
- Oct. 24 – Early Dismissal for Parent and Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 25 – Pro-D Day [school closed]
- Oct. 28 – Pumpkin Carving Contest
- Oct. 28 – Hot Lunch – Alicia’s Flavours
- Oct. 31 – Halloween
[Spirit Day: costumes]
- Nov. 1 – School Closed

Birthdays

- October 17 - Alvin
- October 26 - Conor
- October 29 - Eliza
- October 30 - Layne
- October 31 - Colton



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Happy October! This is a great month to look back and remember all we are thankful for in our lives. I’m certainly thankful to have this class of enthusiastic students, and a wonderful group of parents to go with them.

Our virtue of the month is Thankfulness. Throughout the month we will be focusing on the following statements:

- I have an attitude of gratitude.
- I appreciate my own abilities instead of envying others
- I see the difficulties of life as opportunities to learn.
- I appreciate the beauty of this world

At the end of the month we will be having a costume day for Halloween. We have set a few parameters around this opportunity. Please make note of the following expectations:

- No blood, no guts, no gore, no masks, no weapons
- Nothing scary to little 5 year olds
- Must be able to put on/take off the costume independently for washroom purposes.
- Must adhere to dress code [see planner for specifics]

Cooler weather: Please note that as the weather gets cooler and wetter, it is important to send your child to school in clothing that will keep them warm and dry, and appropriate footwear.

Spelling Words: We will be finishing our review of short vowel sounds in words and some word families on October 11. After that our spelling words will continue to focus on word families, sight words, and writing sentences. Each week a sheet for review and practice will come home. Please complete it and return it to school. Thank you.



Our Schedule

Wednesday: Music with Mrs. Larsen
Library with Mrs. Chand

***Your child will be issued a book bag to keep books in good condition. Please return the book in this bag each week. Please fill in your child's Reading Log and return it every 50 nights to Mrs. Chand!

Thursday: Music - with Mrs. Larsen

Friday: PE - with Mrs. Hugh



Field Trips

We are looking forward to our School-Wide hike to Hooqe wetlands. It will be a wonderful opportunity to explore nature in a local environment, and contribute to making the area more beautiful with planting, removing invasive weeds, and creating artwork. We are thankful for all the planning that went into making this event a success!

On October 16th we will be going to the Chilliwack Corn Maze with the other grade 2 classes. Parent volunteers are welcome to come to this event. Please let me know if you're able to come and help out!



What We're Learning

Reading: We are continuing to build our Daily 5 Routine. Each day the students have the opportunity to Read-to-Self and practice their spelling with Word Work activities. Our goal is to do these activities independently as I work on reading strategies with small groups of students.

Math: We are continuing to focus on number patterns via skip counting. In Grade 2 the goal is to be able to skip count by 2, 5, and 10 to 100 both forwards and backwards, and starting at different places [6, 16, 26, 36, 46...etc]. We will also begin talking about strategies for adding by recognizing friendly 10s [1+9, 2+8, 3+7, 4+6, 5+5] or doubles [2+2, 3+3, etc]. We practice a lot of our math using math games.

Writing: We are continuing to write stories from personal experiences. One quote is to, "Live the life of a writer." This means to be able to see moments in our lives as possible stories we can write about. In our daily lives, it's amazing how many interesting and unique moments we have that would make a fun story! We've also learned "When you think you're done, you've just begun." This means you can still add to the pictures, add to the words, or start a new story.



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*This website is kept up to date with important dates and school wide activities.

*Also, check out the links provided for different learning activities for your kids to do at home!