

Classroom

Connection



Hello Kindergarten Families!

Happy Friday! We have had another great week in Room 135, building independent reading stamina, learning about pumpkins and re practicing a lot of routines and procedures in the classroom. We are working very hard on being “whole body listeners” and transitioning from one area of the classroom to another. This will be very important for students once we begin our literacy centers the first week in November. I want to let families know that I have decided to forego a traditional Halloween “party” and instead do Halloween themed activities with the class, so we don't disrupt the routines we have been working so hard to master. In the afternoon, the students will watch a Halloween movie and have a small treat. If your student has something small they would like to bring in and share with the class they will be able to do so during the movie. As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to email me at ablock@wocsd.org. Enjoy your weekend!

Ask Your Student

- Tell me the parts of a pumpkin.
- What does it mean to be independent? What is something you can do independently?
- Draw 7 (any number less than 10) smiley faces. Add one more. How many do you have now? Write your numbers 1-10.
- Tell me two words that rhyme. Can you tell me another word that rhymes with those words?

Important Dates:

Wed. 10/30- Early Release @ 2:00
 Mon. 11/1- No School-Veteran's Day
 Tues. 11/12- Parent/Teacher Conferences
 Wed. 11/13- Early Release @ 2:00
 Thur. 11/14- Parent/Teacher Conferences
 Wed. 11/27-Fri. 11/29- No School-Thanksgiving Break

Literacy

We spent a lot of time this week relearning and practicing routines and procedures. We have spent a lot of time building our independent reading stamina and yesterday we read for 3 minutes before we lost focus! We have also begun learning our sight words and we did a small reader that focused on the sight word “the”. We continue to building our stamina in writing workshop, and this week we talked about how the best stories are the ones that are in our hearts. We are also working on adding the sounds that we hear to our writing and beginning to form some words!

Math

In math this week, we learned how to combine two numbers to make the numbers 8 and 9 and how to write them. We also learned a new fluency counting game. Any time your child has down time (in the car, at dinner, etc.) ask them to practice counting for you because they are doing a great job! Next week we will be focusing a lot on the number 10.

Photos From the Week



Practicing reading independently in different areas of the room



Exploring pumpkins!



Pumpkin math!



Pumpkin Playdoh!



Sight Word Readers



Pumpkin bread for Food Friday!