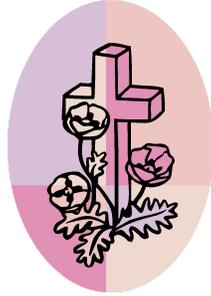


# November 2020 Newsletter

## Grade 2R



Dear Parents,  
October has gone by very quickly. It is hard to believe we are beginning our third month of school. Unfortunately, I have missed the last week in class and will miss the first week of November but Mrs. Hewlett and Mrs. Leadley have been communicating and working seamlessly with Mrs. Gentner and I. We are so grateful and blessed to have had them working with our beautiful 2R family! I am looking forward to calling and discussing your child's growth so far this year on our Parent/Teacher Interview days scheduled for **November 9th and 10th.**

### Language Arts

**Reading:** A continued thank you to all of the terrific parents in 2R who are reading every night with their children. They are becoming more fluent readers every day. Re-reading the books that will be coming home again on Nov. 9 a few times each night, will build fluency. Also, please remember to encourage your child to really think about what they are reading as well.

**Focusing on comprehension is critical.** Please ask your child questions about the story after they have read it, as well as have them retell the story from beginning to end. Encourage them to recall and tell with lots of details.

**Working with Words:** The following are the words for the month of November.

Nov. 2 - 5 - but, here, going, our, three

Nov. 9 - 10 - want, able, bad, give, today

Nov. 16 - 19 - week, something, bus, year, can't

Nov. 23 - 26 - tell, across, world, cat, take



**Math:**

Continued practice at home on counting by 2's, 5's and 10's to 100 would be great. Also, counting by 2's starting on an odd number (eg. 1, 3, 5...) and continuing to 100. We have learned all about odd and even numbers and ordinal numbers. We will be introducing and exploring place value this week by working with place value (ten/ones) manipulatives.

**Science:**

We are continuing to work on our Exploring Liquids unit. The students are moving into the part of the unit where they will explore the states of matter of solids, liquids and gases. They are learning lots of new vocabulary and have really been enjoying our experiments.



**Social Studies:**

We have begun our new unit about Meteghan, Nova Scotia and have learned where it is located on the Canadian map. The students will learn about this Eastern Canadian Community by exploring their Acadian heritage/language, their good and services as well as the province's geography.





### Friend of the Week:

The "Friend of the Week" program will begin on **November 16**. Below is a schedule for the year indicating your child's special week. Please help us celebrate your child by encouraging them to put together a poster with pictures and information about themselves to share with the class. In the past I have sent a poster paper home with each child, but I'm unfortunately not allowed to do that this year due to Covid restrictions. These poster papers can be purchased at Dollarama. The poster will be displayed on the "Friend of the Week" bulletin board for their special week and then sent home at the end of the week. Some ideas for the poster include: a current picture of them, other photographs that are special to them, pictures made by them and anything else that they would like to share. Also, as part of their special week, they can bring something special to share with the whole class on the **Friday** of that week (or **Thursday** if it is a shorter week)! Maybe a trophy that they have won and are proud of, or a creation that they have made on their own!

I will remind you every month in the newsletter who our Friends of the Week for that month will be.

### Friend of the Week Schedule for the Year

November 16 - 20 - **Jenna**  
November 23 - 26 - **Khloe**  
November 30 - December 4 - **Braden**  
December 7 - 10 - **Sophia**  
January 4 - 8 - **Jaxson M.**  
January 11 - 15 - **Austin**  
January 18 - 22 - **Aubree**  
January 25 - 28 - **Julianna**  
February 1 - 5 - **Laurel**  
February 8 - 12 - **Desiree**  
February 22 - 26 - **Curtis**  
March 1 - 4 - **Jaxson W.**  
March 8 - 12 - **Kamryn**  
March 15 - 18 - **Brenver**  
March 23 - 26 - **Lillianna**



### Important Dates for November

November 9 and 10 - Parent/Teacher Interviews

November 11, 12 and 13 - **NO SCHOOL**

November 16 -20 - **Jenna** is the Friend of the Week

November 20 - Picture retake day

November 23 - 26 - **Khloe** is the Friend of the Week

November 27 - PD Day - **NO SCHOOL**

November 30 - Dec. 4 - **Braden** is the Friend of the Week

Thank you for taking the time to read this monthly newsletter and for keeping the communication lines open!

God Bless,  
Cathy Ratzlaff

