

October 2022 Newsletter

Grade 2R



Dear Parents,
September has quickly passed and we are into a new and exciting month. October will be another very busy time for our class. Just a quick reminder here about **Schoology**. Thank you so much for signing up! This is the last newsletter that I will be printing out. I will be sending out the newsletters for the rest of the year in the **2R Class News** section of Schoology. I have included this October newsletter there as well. Also, our classroom newsletters are always posted on our School Website.

Language Arts

Reading: A big thank you goes out to all of the wonderful parents in 2R who have been encouraging as well as listening to their children read their home reading book every night. Books from home can be read too. All reading is important. Your children tell me that you've been asking them lots of questions about their reading which is extremely important in building their comprehension skills. Thank you so much for that!

Working with Words: The following are the words for the month of October. We will be using them in our daily writing, creating sentences with them, and working on spelling them correctly. They are for your information only. If you wish to do extra activities with these words at home you are more than welcome to do so but it is not required.

Oct. 3 –6 – little, make, before, two, four

Oct. 11– 14 – mother, where, very, could, were

Oct. 17– 21 – over, ride, don't, said, that

Oct. 24 – Oct. 28 – one, with, five, their, what



Writing: The students are writing every day in their Journals. They are given the choice to write whatever they would like to write about. At times the children struggle with knowing what to write each day. **Discussing some ideas in the evenings before they go to bed or in the morning at breakfast** will often help them to get started right away during our writing time. Having a small book at home that they can write some ideas down when they think of them often helps as well. Thank you so much for helping them with this!

Math:

We are still working on having a good understanding of our numbers to 1000. The students have done a very good job so far learning about terms like less than and more than and practicing the formation of numbers. We have really been focusing on skip counting by 2's, 5's, 10's, 25's and 50's to 1000. Extra practice at home always helps!



Science:

We are continuing to work on our **Exploring Liquids** unit. The students are really enjoying all of the experiments, demonstrations and exploration activities that we have been doing,





Social Studies:

We are continuing to study the geography, climate and daily life in the following three Canadian communities.

- Meteghan, Nova Scotia
- Iqaluit, Nunavut
- Saskatoon Saskatchewan



Halloween Celebration

We will be celebrating Halloween at school with a variety of activities on **Monday, October 31**. The students can **come to school dressed in their costumes**. Please ensure that the costumes are appropriate. **Please include an extra special treat in your child's lunch that day for them to have during our afternoon Halloween festivities.**



School Photos

Our 2R school photos are scheduled for **Wednesday, October 12**

Important Dates for October

October 6 - Thanksgiving Liturgy at 10:30 am

October 7 - PD Day - No School

October 10 - Thanksgiving Day - No School

October 12 - Picture Day

October 14 - Hot Lunch - Fresh Slice

October 21 - Hot Lunch - Opa

October 22 - PD Day - No School

October 28 - Hot Lunch - State & Main

Thank you all for making the first month of Grade Two an excellent one for your children. I feel truly blessed to be teaching such an awesome group of kids and am feeling very **THANKFUL** for all of the parent support!

God Bless,
Cathy Ratzlaff