

Miss Collins' 1st Grade Classroom News

Important Dates:

- Late Start Mondays: school begins @ **9:05am.**
 - Oct. 26
 - Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 26, 30
- **10/24:** Trunk or Treat @ 3pm
- **10/25:** Haunted Garage (10/30 rain date)
- **10/29:** Picture Retakes
- **10/30:** Halloween Parade/Party (11:30 Dismissal)
- **11/3:** No School (Election Day)
- **11/4:** Aladdin @ Parcels (9am) \$5.00/student
- **11/11:** Evening Conferences
- **11/12:** All Day Conferences (No school for students)
- **11/24:** Half Day for Thanksgiving Break (11:30 Dismissal) School resumes Monday, 11/30

Specials for the week:

- Monday: Music
- Tuesday: Gym
- Wednesday: Art
- Thursday: Library
- Friday: Half Day

Weekly Words:

- **Sight Words:** you, her, my, him, I
- **Word family:** ap

*Spelling test will be on **THURSDAY** due to Halloween festivities.*

Classroom Info:

Reading:

Readers are practicing monitoring their reading. Students are working on identifying the "5 W's" (or "party invitation words" in a reading conference or when reading independently. Stopping to check for understanding is a reading skill that will be practiced the duration of the school year. Try this at home by stopping throughout reading to talk about what is happening, who the characters are, what the setting is, etc.

Writing:

Our mentor text this week was *Wemberly Worried*. This book helped us develop our newest small moment theme of "A Time I Was Worried".

Math:

We have practiced number stories and breaking them apart into smaller "pieces" so they are easier to understand. We have also been using dominoes to help order numbers and gain number sense.

Social Studies/Science:

This unit focuses on map skills. Students have completed a classroom aerial map and a neighborhood map and continue to practice identifying left and right.

Collins' Comments:

- **Aladdin:** The cost is \$5.00 for students. Please send in money with your child's name by **THIS COMING MONDAY, 10/26.**
- **Conference RSVP forms** went home this week. Please be sure you have returned your forms with your day/time preference by 10/27.
- **Halloween Party Plans**
 - We will be showing off our costumes with a parade outside (weather permitting). Adults are welcome to stop by our room for the party Friday morning following the parade. We have a fun party planned and any extra adult hands for gaming, crafting and snacking are always appreciated ☺
 - **"Can we bring in candy, Miss Collins?"** Students have asked if they are allowed to bring in candy to pass out to the class. For this reason, students have decorated a small bag for any treats that may be brought in. However, this is **NOT REQUIRED**. If you **DO** plan to send in candy, please put your child's name on the bag of candy so we can easily identify it.

Have a great weekend!
Miss Collins

Halloween AM Schedule:

8:30-9:15 School Parade
9:15-10:15 Classroom Party
10:15-11:00 Assembly
11:00-11:30 Classroom Movie
11:30 Dismissal

**Halloween Boos and Don'ts!**

- No weapons of any kind allowed at school.
- Please no scary masks. Your child needs to be able to see clearly through the eye holes to prevent accidents at school.