



November: Mrs. Given, Mrs. Cruise, Ms. Fleming

# Kindergarten Newsletter November

## Reminders

- Picture Retakes: Friday Nov. 18th
- Our Kindergarten Reading Program has started. Morning classes have their SK Reading Program and JK Jolly Phonics Thursdays 9-9:45am. Thanks for your help to our parent volunteers. PM Kindergarten Reading Program occurs as volunteer schedules allow. Please contact your child's teacher if you wish to help out.
- November 11th Remembrance Day ceremony at 10am. Families and afternoon Kindergarten students are welcome to attend.
- JK Observation begin mid November and will run into December. A note will go home to explain this process.
- SK Term 1 Report Cards Go Home: Nov. 15 A note will go home to schedule interviews after Nov. 15.
- Colder weather means hats, mitts, boots, indoor shoes, etc. Remember to label your child's clothing. Items left behind in the classroom will go into our Kindergarten lost and found bin in the hallway.
- Jack Grunsky Concert Nov. 9th. All kindergarten students are asked to attend school in the morning!

## Kindergarten Curriculum Focus

Themes: Stone Soup, Harvest, Colours! (including India and Diwali festival)

Language: Expanding vocabulary in oral language and making connections to texts and multi-media

Math: number recognition and simple addition math sentences

## At Home School Connections

Continue to practice reading your **Chime books** Thursday -Sunday!

**Book Buddies:** This year will run our Book Buddy program a little differently. Starting in November, students will bring home a book at their reading level and if they choose, they can create a response in their reading journals. We will have suggestions for reading responses but, again, this step is optional. Students can exchange their books as often as they wish with our class collection of leveled books. We hope this flexible plan of exchanging books and optional follow-up activities will work with your child's skill level and your family's schedule.

**Show and Tell:** Families are encouraged to complete the show and tell homework this month! At dinner (or breakfast or another meal) families are asked to describe the meal using as many different descriptive words as possible. After the meal, your child will be asked to draw a picture of their meal and fill out the worksheet using the family's most interesting descriptive word. A sample will go home on your child's leader day for you to follow as a guide.