First Grade News

Sargent Shriver Elementary School October 2015

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Important Dates

Friday, October 2
EARLY DISMISSAL AT 12:55PM

Monday, October 12
Open House

Thursday, October 15
Field Trip to Butler’s Orchard

Friday, October 16
NO SCHOOL for students and teachers
(MSEA Convention)

Friday, October 30
Halloween Parade and Class Parties

Monday, November 2
NO SCHOOL for students. Professional Day for Teachers

Reminders

Field Trip: We will be taking a field trip to Butler’s Orchard on Thursday, October 15th. Your child should have received the permission slip. Please sign the permission slip and return with $13 payment. We will need chaperones so please let us know if you can join us! At Butler’s Orchard, we will observe and pet animals, go on a hay ride, pick a pumpkin and eat a picnic lunch. Children will need to bring their own bag lunch, but the cafeteria will also have lunches available.

Halloween Parade and Party: Join us as we participate in a Halloween parade on Friday, October 30 followed by individual class parties. Please send your child’s costume to school in a bag, as the majority of the day will include normal instruction. For those who do not celebrate, there will be an alternative party in the media center. Additional details will be coming home soon.

Homework: Thank you families for helping your students do their homework and return it on Fridays! The first graders are doing a wonderful job.

Curriculum Highlights This Month!

- **Math:** Mathematicians will be adding and subtracting numbers up to 20 and solving story problems. We will also be collecting, graphing and analyzing data.

- **Reading:** We will be asking and answering questions as we read informational text. In reading groups we will continue learning to read and write sight words, enjoy fiction and non-fiction leveled books and write about the stories we read.

- **Writing:** First graders will write their own non-fiction books about animals! We will choose an animal, research facts, record our information and publish the books. We will also write about our opinions.

- **Science:** Scientists will be learning about the food chain and about the different parts of plants.

- **Social Studies:** Citizens will learn about leaders of the United States.

Spotlight on the First Grade Teachers

Favorite Fall Fun

Ms. Dwyer: I like to make pumpkin bread!
Ms. Denhard: I love to go for walks and watch the leaves change!
Ms. Ranney: I love to visit the pumpkin patch with my family!
Ms. Jones: I love to decorate and carve pumpkins with my family!
Ms. Ludgin: I can’t wait to go apple picking with my family and then make apple crisp!
Ms. Miranda: I love to pick apples with my family!
Ms. Braxton: I’m excited to go to the pumpkin patch with my first graders!

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