

# News from Room 118

November 12, 2012



## Reading/Language Arts:

**Word Work** - We will review all CVC words with short vowels. Children need to have mastered these sounds and be able to apply them in reading and writing.

**High Frequency/Popcorn/Heart words** -the new words are: **ride, ate, get, & well.**

**Reading theme:** We have not had much time to read about and study Pilgrims and Native Americans. We will read stories, poems and nonfiction articles them. We will also read and write about Thanksgiving.

**Math:** Work on Topic 2: Concepts of Subtraction will continue this week and next. We will write number sentences to solve a variety of math problems. Then we will write related facts ( $7-4=3$ ,  $7-3=4$  and  $4+3=7$ ) and continue to explore the connection between addition and subtraction. While we problem solve, we will continue to work on basic facts fluency.

**Thanksgiving Recital:** We are very excited to invite you to attend the Annual First Grade Thanksgiving Recital. The first graders will dress as Native American and Pilgrim boys and girls. Each class will perform a song and poem for your enjoyment. The children are currently creating the invitations for you to join us on Wednesday, November 21, 2012 at 10:30 in the Multipurpose Room.

**Turkey in Disguise Projects:** Many turkeys have arrived at school and they look fantastic! Please have your child bring his/her family turkey to school as soon as it is done, but please no later than Wednesday. We would like to share our turkeys with each other and then display them for all to enjoy. Thank you for your help and support with this project.

**Thanksgiving Friendship Snack:** On Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> the children would like to enjoy a friendship snack before the recital. A friendship snack is made up of a little bit from everyone all mixed together - something like a trail mix. During the week you will receive a letter from the first grade with a small donation request. I will make sure there are extras in the classroom should someone not be able to contribute.

**Parent Teacher Conferences:** Conferences will take place this week on Tuesday evening, Thursday and Friday afternoon. I have received confirmations from almost everyone. If you have not returned your slip, please do so I may finalize the schedule. Thursday and Friday are half days and lunch will not be served. Please pack a healthy snack for your child to enjoy at about 10:30 on those days.

### Our Rotating Schedule

Monday - No School

Tuesday - D- Music & Library

Wednesday - A - Gym & Second Step

Thursday - R - Art