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Hello 2nd Grade Families,

I hope everyone had a great weekend! To kick off the weekend, on Friday evening, Riverwalk Academy PTO hosted such a fun fall festival. It was so nice to see so many families there! Check below for this week's updates! There are many dates to remember and upcoming dates with some information about each in between so please be sure to read through! Also, a brief paper copy of the updates/newsletter will begin to come home weekly so you have a helpful reminder to put up on the fridge or wherever may be helpful for you. We know how busy things get and emails can get lost in the inbox! We hope this is helpful for you and your family!

Last week in class we spend some time in ELA reviewing skills such as, main idea and details, comparing and contrasting characters, and recognizing causes and effects. In writing students learned about what a pronoun and a reflexive pronoun is. In phonics, students learned about contractions and took the chapter 2 test. In math, we continued to learn about place value to 1,000. Lastly, in PBL students continued to learn about our focus on weather.

#### Quick Glance at this Week:

**ELA**: Students will be able to read and/or listen closely to compare and contrast multiple versions of the same story.

Writing: Students will be able to write an opinion piece that supplies reasons that support the opinion.

**Phonics:** Students will be able to understand short and long vowels, and apply the correct marking.

**Math:** Students will be able to use place value to 1,000.

**Research (PBL):** Students will be able to understand the difference between the local, state, and national government.

### **Important Dates:**

October 29<sup>th</sup> CogAT Testing (2<sup>nd</sup> grade only)
October 30<sup>th</sup> CogAT Testing

November 2<sup>nd</sup> CogAT Testing

November 7<sup>th</sup> CogAT Testing

November 8<sup>th</sup> CogAT Testing

This is a test that cannot be studied for. Just make sure that your child is well rested and has

eaten a healthy breakfast.

October 29<sup>th</sup> Make up Picture Day

October 31<sup>st</sup> Report Cards go home

October Reading Logs will be collected on October 31st

### October 31- Halloween!

- For many wondering about a Halloween celebration, we will be doing a small treat celebration at the end of the school day. Each class teacher is looking for one volunteer to send in a small treat (enough for 21 students), and another volunteer to send in juice pouches (enough for 21 students).
- Also, if you would like to make and send in treat bags or candy (enough for 21 students) you
  may!

If you would like to volunteer to bring something please just send your child's teacher an email. It will be first come first serve just in case we get many emails! (However, we do have another volunteer opportunity below to send in items for another celebration, see upcoming dates).

November 1<sup>st</sup>: Turkey in Disguise Family Project Go Home: Due November 9th

# **Upcoming Important Dates:**

November 5<sup>th</sup>: Book Fair Begins

November 6<sup>th</sup> No School (Election Day)

November 8<sup>th</sup>: Read Your Way to the Big Game sheets are due.

November 15<sup>th</sup>: Student Only Thanksgiving Lunch

• For Thanksgiving, we will be having a student luncheon to celebrate how thankful we are for each other and our school family! We are asking for parent/family volunteers to bring in items from the Sign-Up Genius. Please see your child's teachers email for the link for items needed.

November 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>: Thanksgiving Break

# **Class Wish List:**

Extra Class Snack

Thank you so much for all of your continuous support. We are looking forward to another fun filled week of learning ahead. As always, if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher.

Have a great week!
Baumeister, Bowman, and Matlock