



Mrs. McGregor's  
Classroom Newsletter  
October 24, 2018

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### OCTOBER

25<sup>th</sup>- Family Night

31<sup>st</sup> - HALLOWEEN

School-wide Trick-or-Treat  
@ 2:30 p.m.

### NOVEMBER

7<sup>th</sup>- Picture Retakes

13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>-Parent/Teacher  
Conferences 5-8 p.m.

15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> - NO SCHOOL

20<sup>th</sup> - PTO Meeting @ 4:00 p.m.

22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> - NO SCHOOL

30<sup>th</sup> - End of First Trimester

## Classroom News

I'm excited to inform you that each month your child will be bringing home a NEW Scholastic book! I reached out to friends on social media and asked them to sponsor children in my classroom. Enough people donated and the new books will be coming home monthly! I look forward to helping you build libraries in your own homes!

Don't forget our Halloween Trick-or-Treat is on Wednesday, October 31, 2018. Please send your child's costume to school in their backpack. We will begin trick or treating at The Villa at 2:45 PM. Students aren't allowed to wear face paint or masks or bring weapons. Please remember your first grader is responsible for keeping track of the things they bring to school and making sure those things return home.

After the school-wide trick or treat we'll come back to the classroom for a quick snack and a movie. I already have juice for our snack. If you'd like to send in a Halloween treat for the class, please feel free. We have 18 students in our classroom!

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## Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences are **November 13 & 14**. I'll be sending home sign-up information soon. I'm looking forward to discussing your child's progress with you!



## Science Donations

- LED Flashlights (\$1 at Walmart in bins by the entertainment department)
- Colored chalk
- Paper cups



## What We're Learning

**Reading:** We are now learning to retell stories. When we finish a book, we retell the characters, setting, important events, problem, and solution. We're also working on making text to text, text to self, and text to world connections.

**Phonics:** We're learning that magic e makes a vowel shout its name. Magic e also changes the sound of c and g.

**Writing:** We are still working on small moments. Students are learning to write their stories bit by bit and include details so the reader can picture the story in their mind. Soon we will be revising and editing our stories.

**Math:** In math we are nearing completion of our unit on sums and differences to 10. Students have been focusing on subtraction and relating subtraction to addition.

**Social Studies:** Students have been learning about economics. Our focus has been on wants, needs, producers, consumers, goods, services, and scarcity.



## Homework

I don't send home daily homework assignments. Instead your child should be practicing their sight words, reviewing their math work, and reading with you. I'm also working on a take-home reading program. I just wrote a grant proposal for take-home library books. Hopefully I can get that program up and running in the near future.

