



OCTOBER 2018 KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Here we are in October already! The weather has been pretty crazy and has changed fast so please check the weather or step outside to see what might be appropriate for your child to wear. Layers are good as the classroom is still a bit warm but please LABEL all jackets and sweaters so we can help find a home for them.

Almost everyone is now on **REMIND** which is great as this is where most announcements and reminders will be sent. It is impossible to write individual notes in all agendas within a school day. I can send announcements to all through this app or I can send private messages to you. Anything you send to me is a private conversation and no one else sees these messages. If you have not signed up, I have attached the instructions to do so again. Thank you!

Also you will be able to see photos of things we are doing in class on **TWITTER**. You can find me **@mrs_v_gedsb**. I will post pictures of activities - not of children's faces. If you do not want your child to be posted, please let me know in the agenda or through REMIND.

School Website: www.granderie.ca/schools/thompsoncreek/news the school website has been changed to a different program which training is happening for this week. There is an October calendar on the website for you to take a look at and the site will be ready with more information when training is complete. At that point we will be posting our newsletters through a link to staff names. If you would like a paper copy of the class newsletter instead, please let me know for next month. Otherwise you will find November's newsletter online next month! I will also send a photo of it through REMIND.

Language:

We have been getting to know your child's baseline understanding of letters, words and how they work together. Many are working on printing and recognizing their names while others are learning to print last names and helping correct our morning messages using uppercase letters and punctuation at the end.

KLLIC: We have started our first KLLIC cycle which stands for Kindergarten Literacy & Language in the Classroom. The story this cycle is "Listen Buddy" and focuses on the "L" sound, rhyming, as well as learning that a word is made of letters and sentences are made from words. Ask your child to tell you about the story. SK students will bring home a newsletter and "shortened" version of the story to help support this at home. These are for you to keep.

Math: We have been starting with numeration and number recognition. This continues all year long as we revisit many concepts continuously. Does your child know how to count to 10 or 20, or recognize any numbers they are shown? We have been playing a "10" game where we stand in a circle and the first person starts with 1. As we go around, each person says the next number until we get to 10. The person who says 10 sits and we continue by starting at 1 again. The last person standing is the winner and can be anyone!

ITEMS TO REMEMBER:

- **Library Books:** Please help care for and be responsible for it. If it's returned, another book can be signed out. **Please send them back at least once a week.**
- **Water bottles:** We encourage your child to bring a water bottle to the classroom and have a table to keep them on throughout the day. We try to send them home each day with everyone. We do not have a fountain in our classroom and the others are too high for us to reach so this makes less trips to leave the classroom and allows them to choose when they need a drink- part of self regulation!
- **Toys:** Please do not send toys to school with your child. This is a rule at Thompson Creek and in leaving them at home, causes less chance of things being taken, broken or lost.
- **Treats & Celebration Times of the year:** This has been a big discussion amongst staff at our meetings. To ensure safety of all students, **please do not send in edible treats of any kind to share with the class for any celebrations.** We will be celebrating in different ways and if any form of food is involved, permission would be asked in advance. Thank you for understanding!



Dates to remember:

- ✓ Tues. Oct. 3- (TOMORROW) - PA day, no school for students
- ✓ Wed. Oct. 4- Farm to Table fundraiser due
- ✓ Fri. Oct. 6- Pizza Day
- ✓ Mon. Oct. 9- Thanksgiving Monday- Holliday, Enjoy time with your family!
- ✓ Tues. Oct. 10- Photo Day- wear your smiles!
- ✓ Thurs. Oct. 12- October book orders due
- ✓ Mon. Oct.16- Leader of the Pack Assembly @11:40
- ✓ Fri. Oct. 20- Sub Lunch
- ✓ Fri. Oct. 27- Spaghetti Lunch
- ✓ Tues. Oct. 31- Halloween- stay tuned for more details via REMIND!

If you have any questions or concerns, please call, write in the agenda or send a REMIND message, we will get back to you as soon as possible!

Your Kindergarten Learning Team!

