

Ms. Luca and Mrs. Premus UPK Newsletter



This Month

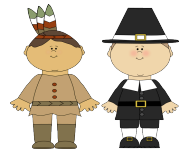
Thank you for making our Fall celebration a success with all your generous donations. A special thank you to all our community helpers who came to visit! We will be celebrating families in November and our **Family Project is due Monday, November 13th**. A notice will be sent home explaining the activity. We will be having a small Thanksgiving Feast in class on Wednesday, November 22nd. Class volunteers will be in touch. We will be making butter during our feast. **Please send in an empty and clean baby food jar by Friday, November 17th**. We would like to remind you that a sheet to cover your child's mat and a blanket to cover your child are both necessary for naptime. Please make sure you send in both items every Monday. We wish you and your families a very Happy Thanksgiving and are thankful for all your support this year! **Happy Birthday to: Class 001: Yaseen 11/16 Class 002: Nasir 11/19**

Upcoming Dates

- 11/7 – Election Day – No School for Students
- 11/15 – Evening Parent Teacher Conferences, 5:30pm-8pm
- 11/16 – Afternoon Parent Teacher Conferences, 12:20pm-2:20pm
- 11/16 – Half Day – 11:20am dismissal time
- 11/23 & 11/24 - Thanksgiving Recess – No School

Literacy Corner

Suggested Books



- Love is a Family* by Roma Downey
- The Thankful Book* by Todd Parr
- The First Thanksgiving* by Sarah Treu
- Thanksgiving is For Giving Thanks* by Margaret Sutherland
- Look at That Building* by Scot Ritchie

Vocabulary

- Illustrator* – person who draws the pictures in a book
- Skyscraper* – a tall building
- Crops* – plants grown as food
- Native American* – the first people in America
- Pilgrim* – person who travels to a new place to live

Themes



- Buildings
- Family
- Giving Thanks/Native Americans/Pilgrims
- Thanksgiving
- Transportation

Wish List

- Emptied and clean glass baby food jars
- Water and Juice

PTA News



PTA Meeting – 11/8
Save the Date - Holiday Fair 12/8



A Note from Ms. Ponzi



Dear Families,

November is a month to give thanks! I am so thankful for all of the parents who have supported our children so far this school year. We would like to say a big thank you to our PTA who organized this year's Halloween event "Boo at your School" for our Elementary School students.

This month we will be celebrating the importance of reading here at school, but reading at home is very important too. The benefits of independent reading include improved vocabulary, verbal fluency, and enhanced general academic achievement. This year, our school has partnered with MobyMax, a website that is designed to individualize student learning. This resource offers your child access to texts based on their reading level, practice with comprehension questions and tips and skills to master standards. This engaging website will motivate your child to read independently and build comprehension. Usernames and passwords have been sent home and teachers are monitoring students' usage at home and are encouraging it.

As Dr. Seuss says, "The more you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you will go." I cannot wait to see all the places our children will go.

Sincerely,

Ms. Ponzi

