



# Mrs. Melson's Newsletter



## NOVEMBER 2, 2009

What we are learning:

### SCIENCE

Changes: Day and Night

Changes: Seasons

Weather



### SOCIAL STUDIES

Maps and Globes

Landforms and Bodies of Water

Natural Resources



### MATH

Compare and order numbers to 99

Place Value

Addition/Subtraction up to 9 +9=18 and 18-9=9

Skip counting by 2's, 5's, and 10's

### LANGUAGE ARTS

High Frequency Words

Plot

Nouns and Verbs

Research

Dates to Remember:



11/3 School-Wide Canned Food Drive hosted by First Grade for our Service Learning Project

11/3 Family Photo Night by appointment

11/3 Family Flu Mist Clinic

11/4 Report Cards come home.

11/5 First Grade Awards @ 10:00(Your child would have received a note on Friday if they are getting an award.)

11/7 Fall Fest

11/10 Picture Retakes

11/11 Veterans Day and **Early Release**

11/12 Vet Clinic 5-7

11/15 American Recycles Day- Bring paper products to the Green collection container in the school parking lot.

11/17 Thanksgiving Meal @ school

11/25-27 Thanksgiving Break



### Message Board

\*Thank you for all your donations for our Mad Science Day. It was a huge success! Look at the pictures on our website. ☺

\*First Grade is hosting the Gattis school-wide canned food drive this year as part of our service learning project. Please help your child collect canned meats and vegetables, pastas, rice, baby food and formula, and other non perishables for the drive. It would be great if children went **with a parent** to a couple of neighbor's homes with a plastic bag and asked for donations by explaining why we are collecting and who will be receiving the items.

\*Running club meets on Mondays weather permitting.

\*Please remember to register online if you would like to be a volunteer at our school, go on field trips or if you are planning on being a watchdog. You can go to our school's website to find the link.

### Talk to your children about...

What causes day and night?

What causes the change in seasons?

What are characteristics of each season?

What is an island?

How is a lake different from a river or a pond?

Is the ocean fresh or saltwater?

What are examples of natural resources?

How many tens and ones are in the number 87?

Can you skip count by 2's, 5's and 10's?

After reading a story, ask your child what happened in the beginning, middle, and end. Discuss the problem and solution, main characters, and lesson of the story?

Recite a sentence orally and ask your child to identify the nouns and verbs in the sentence.



### Our Classroom Wish List

Healthy Snacks

Card stock

