

Dear Room 11 Parents,

I hope you had a fantastic Thanksgiving weekend. I had a lovely time with my family and catching up with friends. I can hardly believe that there are only three more weeks of 2019! It will be busy!

If on your Winter Break you find any pinecones with open scales, please bring them to Room 11. I would love to have them for next year's pinecone turkey pals. Any size is great, as long as the scales are open. Thanks!

On Monday, you will find the new homework packet of activities for December in your child's homework bag. The new math games focus on subtraction. They are both on my website: Roll and Record Subtraction and Five-In-A-Row Subtraction. This week's nightly reading will be supplemented by the November Poems. Please read 3 poems minimum each day. Share, take turns, read chorally, etc. Enjoy!

We read poetry in class daily. I usually stop and ask the students to share any words in the poem which make interesting and detailed pictures (visualizations) in their minds. Please do the same at home with anything that you read aloud, in particular, books with few or no pictures. The more opportunities your child has to verbalize his/her thinking, the more growth in all dimensions that occur. I also encourage you to read poetry to/with your child and enjoy the melody of language. There is no need that every word is understood. It's all being soaked up!

Thank you so much!

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Volunteers This Week

W Library 9:55-10:50 Whitney Lynch

TH Art 9:55-10:50 (B Group) Kira Beer

On The Calendar

Nov. 12-Dec. 6 Toy Drive – see Treebune for details

Wed., Dec. 18 Winter Sing-A-Long Assembly 8:30-9:30 in auditorium

Dec. 23-Jan. 3 Winter Break - no school (return Mon., Jan. 6, 2020)

Fri., Jan. 10 Field Trip to CA Academy of Sciences 9-12 TBD in San Francisco

Sight Words: as, with, his, they, at (look for these in daily reading)