## Room 11 Newsletter

# Week of Sept. 4-7

Dear Room 11 Parents,

It's been a long weekend and I've missed all of you! I can't wait to get back and see the children!

The First Grade Potluck will be tomorrow, Tue., Sept. 4 from 5:00 – 7:30pm. Please sign up and come! It will be a great opportunity to meet the other parents in the First Grade in a relaxed setting. We still need a class coordinator. To sign up as a coordinator and/or to sign up for the potluck: First Grade Potluck Signup

### Please note that there is a new schedule for **Back-To-School Night on Thu., Sept. 13**:

6:00-6:35 Presentation with Heath Caceres, principal, in the auditorium

6:40-7:30 K-5th Grade presentations in classrooms

In our class book talks, the students are learning that "reading is thinking". A good reader thinks about the book, even before reading the words inside. The students "read" the cover and look for information from the title and illustration, then they share their predictions about the story. They also take a "sneak peak" or "preview" or the illustrations on the first few pages. Then they make more predictions. A good reader changes and adjusts his/her predictions throughout the story. We stop several times during the story to share predictions. You can practice at home by asking your child to make predictions before and during your read-aloud stories.

In Math, the students are focusing on addition to 10. They are playing games to practice addition strategies as well as learning various combinations of numbers that compose the number 10. We are also practicing "Mental Math" in which I give a short sequence of calculations and the students have to compute in their head, then tell me the final answer. I will speak more about Math at Back-To-School Night.

Thank you and see you tomorrow! Ro

#### **Volunteers This Week**

W Library 9:55-10:50 Juliette Bartlett TH Art 9:55-10:50 Alison Littman

#### On the Calendar

Tue., Sept. 4	First Grade Family Potluck 5:30-700
Wed., Sept. 13	Back-to-School Night 6:00-7:30
Mon., Sept. 17	Photo Day – individual student pics
Tue., Sept. 18	Photo Day – class pics
Sun., Sept. 23	Parkade 11:00-2:00
Mon., Oct. 8	No School - teacher work day
Sat., Oct. 20	Park Fund Raiser 7:00-10:00 PM
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Wed., Oct. 31 Halloween Parade