

MS. LONG'S CLASSROOM NEWS

Our school's theme is "Igniting Hope: One Light, Many Candles." This month, we'll focus on being "balanced" - intellectually, emotionally, and physically. I encourage you to continue this at home with your children, asking where & how you, your child, & your family can practice being balanced. It could be limiting screen time, cooking and sharing a meal together, going on a family walk together, etc. Or, check out some great mindfulness activities and videos at [Mind Yeti](#) (on YouTube) or [GoNoodle for families](#).



NOTES

* Please continue to ensure that these are **packed in your child's backpack every day:**

- Homework folder
- Clean face masks
- Their charged device (iPad, tablet, etc.)
- A packed lunch
- A healthy snack
- A full water bottle (please label it)
- A warm jacket or raincoat

* Remember to **fill out the JotForm link** prior to dropping off your child each morning

* Keep encouraging your child to **read aloud for 10 minutes** every night & color in a pumpkin on their October reading logs (due 11/02)

* Remember, due to a teacher's in-service, there will be **no school on Friday, 10/16**

* If you ordered books from **Scholastic's**

October book flyers (thank you!), books should arrive within a week & I'll send them home ASAP

* Please send in any **Box Tops** you've collected

* Due to a lack of orders, Chef Jesse will not be able to provide **hot lunch** this week

* If you'd like to **order milk** for lunch, I've included a milk order form in my email

* I'm finishing up **book bags**, filled with my classroom library books, this week. These books are **on loan** and will **stay at school**

* If your child would like to **borrow St. Luke library books** (that can come home), check out the school library catalog to request them. Mrs. Feucht will send these books home on Fridays

* We will take our **MAP tests** on 10/22 & 10/23

* Thursday is the **Great Shake Out**, when we'll practice earthquake safety along with other schools throughout the country

* We're looking for recess volunteers - sign up [here](#) if you're interested & available

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

Math (1st grade): My Math Chp. 1: Addition Concepts lessons 12, 13, &

Chp. 1 review; **Chp. 1 test on Thursday.** Practicing skip counting by 10s

Math (2nd grade): My Math Chp. 1: Addition Concepts lessons 10 - 13

(Subtraction Strategies); practicing + & - facts

ELA/Reading: Super Kids, Unit 1 lessons 6 - 10 stories & skills focus on

-sh words, writing with pronouns, & identifying capital letters & end punctuation. Reading Scholastic News nonfiction weekly article, "The Pumpkin That Grew in a Tree" to learn about pumpkin life cycles

Writing: Unit 1, finish writing personal narratives about a special memory or activity

Religion: Unit 1: God, Our Creator & Father, lesson 4, "God Gives Us Peace" which explores the Trinity & the role of the Holy Spirit

Second Step: Unit 1, Lesson 5, "Being Assertive" to learn how to be assertive and ask for help at school

Social Studies (IB): Working in our *Who We Are* IB unit with the central idea that "Families are Unique." This week, we're reading books & doing activities to explore unique financial decisions families make.

Books include Alexander Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday & The Big

Buck Adventure. Students will reflect on things their family purchases & illustrate another square on their Family Quilt.

During the week, bring your child grocery shopping with you to

"purchase" a spaghetti dinner (worksheet will be sent home Monday)

Art: Pumpkins in the Night artwork

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Great Shake Out** - Thurs. 10/15 at 10:15 a.m.
- **1st Trimester progress reports** - Thurs. 10/15
- **Faculty In-service (NO SCHOOL)** - Fri. 10/16
- **St. Luke-a-thon** - Wed. 10/28
- **IB Authorizing Team Visits PYP** - Thurs. 10/29 & Fri. 10/30
- **Free Dress Friday** - Fri. 10/30



HOMEWORK & TESTS

- **1st grade Math:** Chp. 1: Addition test, Thurs. 10/15
- **ELA/Reading:** Unit 1 Backpack Pages 10 - 14 due, Thurs. 10/15
Superkids unit 1 week 2 Spelling test, Thurs. 10/15
Superkids unit 1 test, Thurs. 10/15
- **Second Step:** Lesson 5 home link due, Thurs. 10/15
- **IB:** grocery shopping reflections due, Mon. 10/19
- **Reading:** Read 10 min./night; October reading log due Mon. 11/02

