

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that it is already November. There will be no school next Friday to honor Veterans and Thanksgiving is right around the corner which means so are conferences. Conference week is the week before Thanksgiving and **they will be in person this year!** These conferences are student-led so your child will come with you. We know that some of you will be traveling for the Thanksgiving Holiday and may leave early since there is no school that week. If that is the case, we will schedule a conference before you leave or after you return. Look for a sign-up genius to be sent home soon.

In **Inquiry**, the children are busy working on reading books, and articles and watching videos about their chosen topic. For each thing, they read or watch they are writing down the important information presented, what they learned from it, and questions that they now have about the topic to add to their quest for answers. We hope to have them finish their research before conferences and formulate an action plan for what they can do as third graders to work on the problem.

The **Scholastic Book Fair** is back after a 3-year absence! Students will get to preview it next week and when you come for your conference you can stop by the book fair in the auditorium. Attached below is more information from Mrs. Feucht. It is always fun to shop for new books!

The **Warm Clothing Drive** begins next week. Please go through your cupboards and closets looking for sweaters and coats that your child or you may have outgrown. Send all the items you can find to the school. The drive ends on November 18th.

If you know any Veterans or are a Veteran yourself please join us for our **Veteran's Day Assembly** on Thursday, Nov. 10th at 9:30. The students will be making cards on Monday, Nov. 7th, and Mr. Boyle will be delivering them for us.

On **Tuesday, Nov. 8th** we are having an **Open House for prospective families**. It will run from **6:30-8:00** and we **need two or three children to be here to talk** to these prospective families about our school. They would be mainly sharing their work on our IB inquiry into weather and climate and their summative assessment and action plan (where they are right then in its development). **Please let us know by Monday if your child would feel comfortable coming in and sharing with these families.**

Upcoming Events:

- Book Fair runs from Nov. 11th - Nov. 23rd
- Student-led conferences Monday, Nov. 21st - Wednesday, Nov. 23rd. These will be in person. Sign-ups coming soon.
- Sunday, Nov. 27th Advent begins
- End of the first trimester Friday, Dec. 2nd ~ All missing work must be completed.

Have a wonderful weekend,
Valerie Sheehan and Susan Smith