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<u>IMPORTANT</u> DATES

November 1: No School—Teacher Work Day

November 5: Family Math Night 6-7pm

November 11-15th: Parent Teacher Conferences

November 27-29th: Thanksgiving Break



Information and Events

- Thank you to everyone who volunteered or donated items to our Fall Party. Everyone had a wonderful time celebrating together!
- * Family Math Game Night: Join us on Tuesday, November 5th from 6-7pm for a night full of fun and math! We will be playing various math games that reinforce the concepts we have been learning in class. There will also be opportunities for you to make and bring home games that we play. We will also be demonstrating strategies that students can use when working with math. Come one, come all for this exciting night! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask.
- * Conferences: This week, in your child's Friday folder, there is a conference questionnaire. Please complete the questionnaire and return it in your child's Friday folder on
 Monday, November 4th. Thank you for your cooperation! Also, there is a pink form taped
 in your folder. This form has your conference date and time. If your assigned time does
 not work, I need to know by November 4th so we can reschedule.

Help Needed

In a couple weeks, we will conduct a science experiment investigating how different factors can prevent soil erosion. Ahead of time, I need to create three pop bottle simulations of different landforms. If you are interested in creating these for our class, please let me know. I will supply all of the supplies and the directions.



What We've Been Doing

- * <u>Science</u>: We have been observing how water, wind, and ice cause erosion on the Earth's surface. We have also been recording, drawing, and labeling our observations in our science notebook. Check out our website under *Smart Scientists* to see our erosion experiment day by day.
- * Math: This week we continued learning about place value in the tens and ones place.
- Writing: During writing we took a pre-test on informational writing. We will being our informational writing unit next week. Since Halloween was this week, we worked with adjectives to write a descriptive paragraph about a monster we created. Everyone seemed to enjoy the creative writing this week.
- Reading: We continued meeting with Ms. Ronzio and our book clubs this week. During our daily 5 rotation we either meet with Ms. Ronzio, read independently, buddy read, work on writing/word work, or use our new laptops to read from myON reader.
- High 5 Jive: This week we discussed how we could show respect to all adults (both in and outside of Paxton). We created our own class book about ways to show respect.
- * <u>Buddies:</u> On Thursday we meet with our fourth grade buddies from Ms. Scott's class to play Halloween bingo. We enjoyed some sweet treats as we played with our friends.