Dear Parents,

We had a wonderful Halloween celebration on Friday. I have posted November News and will be posting pictures of our Halloween Party on our class web site. Please email me pictures if you have pictures of the parade or other pictures to share. Thank you to all the parents who helped with the celebration. We had a wonderful time.

Thank you for signing up for your Fall Conference. The fall conference, in first grade, is a chance to meet without your child present. I look forward to our time together.

## **Academic Update for November**

**Reading:** We have completed Unit 1: Building Good Habits and will be starting Unit 2: Learning About the Word. This unit will teach your child how to get the most out of informational text and be effective nonfiction readers. Students will explore how reading informational text is different from reading fiction, focusing on the thinking that needs to occur before, during, and after reading in order to comprehend well.

**Writing:** We will be finishing up writing about Small Moments this week. We will be starting Unit 2: Nonfiction Chapter Books. Students will be writing Teaching Books. They will write lots of information books about lots of different topics of choice

Math: Please review the EDM Parent Letters that are sent home at the beginning of each Unit. We completed Unit 2 and have started Unit 3. I will be sharing the Checking Progress during conferences **Social Studies:** We will be comparing and contrasting Pilgrim life to life today.

Other Reminders:

No school" days in November

In Service Day - November 8th

**Veteran's Day - November 11th** 

**Conferences and Thanksgiving Break**: 11/22-11/25

Fondly,

Julie