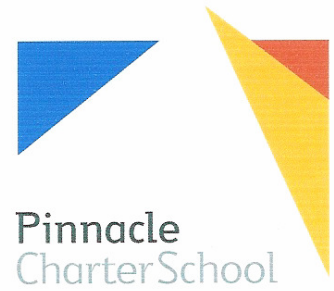


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MONTHLY REMINDERS:



The following math skills will be covered in October:

- Patterns
- Adding by 1 and 0
- Subtracting by 1 and 0
- Comparing lengths
- Weight
- Temperature

Some skills that we covered in September are still not mastered by all of the students.

Please make sure your child can count up and down by ones from 0 to 20 and from 20 to 0. Some students still do not know their teen numbers. They continually skip numbers when counting. They should be able to count by 5s and 10s from 0 up to 100.

Every child should be able to make and read tally marks. Please remind your child to cross every fifth tally.

Math Night is Thursday, October 21st.

This is a great way to see what your child is learning in math and how math is taught in other grades. There will be games and prizes given out. A flyer will be coming home soon. If you return by the given date your child's name will be entered to win a prize. Please make sure if you are coming you let me know so we can have the correct materials ready for you!

- School supplies and money are due ASAP.
- School pictures will be taken on Friday, October 15th. Students do not have to wear their uniforms on this day.
- There is no school Monday, October 11th because of Columbus Day
- Math Night is Thursday, October 21st.



School Uniform Alert

Please make sure your child has sneakers for PE. It is a requirement of Pinnacle that all students have sneakers for PE time. They have PE 4 days a week at 8:40.

Theme of the Month:

The theme for October is weather. The children will be learning about the four types of precipitation: rain, hail, snow and sleet. They will be looking for patterns in weather and trying to predict what type of weather will occur in different months. We will also be discussing the four seasons and what type of activities they can do during the different seasons.

Writing

This month we will be focusing on how to correctly make letters. Each child has a handwriting journal in which they practice making lowercase and uppercase letters to the correct lines. Students will also work on writing sentences that make sense. Many of the children in the class have trouble writing words in the correct order and they sometimes leave words out. When you work with your child at home please encourage them to sound out the words and to read their sentence when they are finished to make sure it makes sense.

Spelling Words

Students will begin getting spelling words this month. The spelling lists will start out with simple sight words and move in to word families next month. A spelling list will go home every Friday to give your child a weekend and a full week to practice their spelling words. Students will be given their test on Fridays. Not every child will receive the same spelling list. Spelling words are based on each child's level of spelling and reading. A great way to practice spelling words at home is to chant the word and then spell it. For example, "Go go, g-o spells go."

Dismissal

If you would like your child to not stay for an after-school club or wait for someone to pick them up, please send in a note letting me know the change. Sometimes the children mix up the message they give me so unless I receive a note or a call from a parent I will have the child do their normal after school routine.

The children have dismissal work to do everyday that is graded. When a child is constantly picked up even 5 minutes early they are missing out on time to complete their work and earn a good grade. Please try to refrain from picking your child up before 4:00.

FYI...

I want to give you a head start regarding career day. On Friday, October 29th the children will take part in a school wide career day. This is when they travel around the school listening to different job and career presentations. The children are allowed to dress up this day, but the costume **must be career related**. (Doctor, Fire-fighter, Conductor, Etc) Children are **not allowed** to wear masks, or carry any accessories that may be harmful. If you have any questions or are not sure if your child's costume is acceptable, please ask.



