## Miss Abel's Kindergarten Newsletter

Friday 10/11	Monday 10/14	Tuesday 10/15	Wednesday 10/16	Thursday 10/7
Music	Gym (tennis shoes) Computer	Art Church Music	Gym (tennis shoes) Atrium	Library
Firefighters Visit		Spanish		

## Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is so hard to believe that the end of the first quarter of school is around the corner! The quarter ends a week from today (October 17<sup>th</sup>) and your child's report card will be coming home on Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>! When the report card comes home, please review it, sign the envelope and return ONLY the envelope. The report card is yours to keep. We will review a copy of the report card together at conferences. \*If you have not signed up for a conference time on BLOOMZ, please

do so as soon as possible!

PTO is sponsoring a Literacy Night at the NCS Elementary campus on **Thursday**, **October 24**<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm. This is a whole family event with reading/language arts games and activities for students in preschool to grade 6. Activities are planned for each age group. Everyone is welcome to attend!

The PTO is having a book fair from October 21st-25th. Students will get to preview the book fair and a list of



books they are interested in will be sent home. If you would like to purchase one of the books your child picked, you can send money in and the book will then come home in their bookbag. Parents are also welcome to go through the book fair with their child, including during our "Pastries with Parents" event on Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> between 8:15am-8:50am to enjoy a doughnut before school!

We are in the process of planning for the Halloween party on Thursday, October 31st. If we need your help for this party, you will receive a paper soon. If you do not get a paper, be on the lookout for the next party. We do need parent volunteers that day to help with the party. Volunteers must complete a background check and online course for the protection of our students. Contact Amber Riley at 419-668-3005 or ariley@ncsmail.org for more information. We would need volunteers from 12:45 until the end of the day. Please let me know if you can help. If your child would like to bring a treat for the class, please make sure it is wrapped and able to go home in their bookbags. We have 17 students in our class as well as a cherry allergy so please keep that in mind if your child wants to bring in a treat. All students will be able to wear jeans with a Halloween shirt that day. If your child does not have a Halloween shirt, please do not go out and

buy one just for this special day! They will be able to wear a Halloween colored shirt or uniform shirt.

Flyer Fun Tailgate for Homecoming is Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 5pm in the St. Paul Social Hall. All are invited, even if you are not planning on attending the football game. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Bring a potluck dish to share! ECC & Elementary Families— make sure to bring the brown paper bag your child received to collect candy from the parade that will be going on by Milan Ave as they head to the field. This is another great opportunity to meet other families.



Cooler weather is upon us! Please make sure your child has a light jacket or sweater when they come to school in the mornings. Depending on the weather, your child may have to wear their jacket to recess. Your child will not be allowed to go to recess until their coat is zipped/buttoned. This is a skill that was introduced in our 3 year old program that they also practiced in our 4 year preschool program. Your child has to do this on their own, the

teachers cannot do this for them—these are self-help skills they will need throughout their life! Another skill your child should be practicing at home is shoe tying. Please make sure you are working on this skill with your child at home. After Christmas, I will no longer be tying shoes. Your child will need to tie their own shoes or find a friend to tie them. Just a reminder that jackets/hooded sweatshirts cannot be worn in the classroom; if your child is cold, they should have a red, black, or white sweater.

I will be sending home sight word lists in the back of your child's folder within the coming weeks. Sight words are commonly used words in our language that your child should know by sight. I ask that these lists stay in the back of your child's folder when you finish practicing them so I can go over the list with your child in the classroom. You can write the words on notecards and play a memory/matching game; your child has to tell you the word in

order to keep their match. These words appear in our books during reading group and the extra practice at home helps your child build their confidence when we have small group reading instruction. Please be on the lookout for these lists in the back of your child's folder within the coming weeks!

\*There is NO SCHOOL on Friday, October 18th (next week) due to teacher in-service day.

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Thank you!

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