

October 31, 2011

Dear First Grade Families:

**You are greatly appreciated!**

Thanks to all parents who sent items and/or helped at the Halloween Party. We had great treats and a lot of fun!

**Book It!**

The goal for November is 14 books. Please continue to read to and with your child. November Book It! is due Wednesday, November 30. Let's all work together to earn a class pizza party!

**Book Order**

The November book order is attached. If you would like to order, please have your child return the order forms and monies by Thursday, November 10th. If you would like to use any of the items as Christmas gifts, please clearly mark the order form with the word "gift". I will send the items home in a stapled brown bag. As always, all checks need to be made out to: **Scholastic Book Clubs**. You may also order online at [www.scholastic.com](http://www.scholastic.com). If this is your first time to order online, the class activation code is: GKGG2.

**Homework**

In general, students are doing well on the phonetic portion of the spelling test but some do need daily practice on the sight work portion. The words for this week are:

**ship fish then shut with rush shell shop trash**  
**thin \*want \*good**

The first graders have completed Unit 1 reading and writing tests and are beginning Unit 2. Unit 2 will begin with A Big Fish for Max and additional word lists will be added as we begin each new story. Please remember to sign or initial **ALL** homework in the top right corner.

**Sharing**

Sharing this week: Favorite Saint

Sharing the week of 11/7-11/10 Patriotic Symbol, Military Item, or Red, White, and Blue

Sharing the week of 11/14-11/18 I am thankful...three things student is thankful for!

Sharing the week of 11/21-11/23 NO SHARING!

**Dates to remember**

We will not have school on Friday, November 11th due to Veterans Day Holiday.

November 16, 17, and 18 are 11:00 dismissal days due to conference.

November 23 is Special Guest/Grandparent Day Mass and Program and another 11:00 dismissal day.

Thank you,  
Becky Clift