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Dear Families,

I wanted to thank everyone for coming in to help with the Halloween festivities and all of the wonderful snacks! We had a great time.

Well we have a lot to get done during the month of November. In writing and reading we will be focusing on non-fiction text features. We will be constructing a poster with a heading, subheadings, captions and facts for our culminating activity. The topic will be animals and this ties in with our science lessons too.

In math we will be starting unit 3 which introduces standard measures of units using U. S. customary and metric units. We'll be working with area and the relationship between diameter and circumference. Students need to continue working on telling time and knowing what time it will be in 20mins./30mins. etc. Students also need to be determining how much money they will get back (counting change back) after spending part of a dollar or part of \$5:00.

In social studies students are learning map skills and locations.

Cursive is no longer being taught in 3rd grade. I will give out the copies that were in the file cabinets for students to take home if they want them. It was determined that people use computers and print most of the time so our time can be used more effectively. I have added a special phonics unit in place of the 10 minute slot for cursive.

I am looking for a <u>VOLUNTEER</u> for career day November 23rd. You would need to give two half an hour presentations (the same one twice) for 2 groups of students. Any profession would be great. It is to expose students to all kinds of career choices! You can make it as interactive or fun as you want. Please let me know ASAP if you are willing to contribute your time.

Dates to keep in mind: Book Fair 7-11 CONFERENCES 9th and 10th. Please return your conference time form! No School the 15th. Mother/son dance the 16th. Read –A-Thon November 17th. Collect pledges and stay after school for an

hour and READ. More information to come.

BOOK IT! READ EVERYDAY PLEASE! Mrs. Fox