## OCTOBER 2017

Grade 2 and 2/3 - Ms. Butler and Mr. Iliopoulos

## Banbury Heights Bravehearts: Feel Our Compassion, See Our Pride, Hear Our Roar



We have had a busy first month together with lots to be thankful for and celebrate! A special THANK YOU to all of our volunteers that come with us on trips and our Coop Student from North Park, Miss Jasmine.

We are thankful for our Grade 2 and 3 classmates, and for the help of Mr. Wilson, Ms Crozier and Mrs. Grime. Mr. Wilson (Ms. Butler's dad) comes in to read with students on Tuesday and Thursday. Ms Crozier is a retired EA from our school and comes in to read with our students. Mrs Grime is also a retired EA who works with our

students on Mondays and Fridays. If you see these people out and please be sure to thank them for the invaluable contributions they make to our children.

Happy Thanksgiving. What are you thankful for?

## **Curriculum Focus: Literacy and Math**

Literacy: We will continue to learn how to retell astory from beginning to end, as well as learn about other comprehension strategies, such as the main idea of a story, the characters, setting, problem and solution. This will take place during our large group read alouds and our Guided Reading Groups. Reading at home each night is vital to your child's reading success. Our writing will continue to develop as we move along in our spelling program and work on choosing a main idea and adding details to our personal stories. Please help your child at home to be well prepared for our Friday spelling tests. Words can be found on the weekly view of the agenda page. **Math:** We will finish counting by 2's, 5's, 10's and 25's to 200 this month. If your child needs extra practice keep working on it at home. We will begin to learn about counting and creating money amounts to 100 cents. Real life practice is the best teacher! Help your child develop these skills as they count your pocket change, earn their allowance and go into stores with you. We will continue to work on number patterns with basic addition and subtraction to 18. Please return your child's Math Grids duo tang to school with them on Friday. They are expected to complete 2 grids at home each week.

## Important Reminders

Please make sure your child has a pair of **indoor running shoes** at school.

The monthly view in the agenda should be **initialed daily** to indicate your child has completed their daily home reading requirement. October **3** – PA Day (TUESDAY!) October **4** – Safety Village October **6** – Book Orders Due October **7** – Thanksgiving October **13** – Safety Village October **19** – Picture Day October **31** – Halloween

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