

October Newsletter 1M

## Curriculum:

French: We will continue to work on developing new vocabulary in French focusing on autumn, and Halloween themes. We are continuing to review our letter sounds and sound blends as we develop reading skills.
-Home reading with the "OUI, OUI, OUI" books has begun this month. OUI, OUI, OUI BOOKS will be sent home every Monday and please return them on Thursday.
-Please continue to work on our word of the day at home with your child. Your child is writing these in everyday on the far right side of their agenda page.
Daily 5: We have learned about "read to self" and "read to someone", We will now continue to expand into "listen to reading" "word work" and "work on writing".
Science: We are continuing our focus on creating colour and on seasonal changes.
Socials: The students have been discussing our families. We will continue to explore this topic and also explore another group we belong to, our school.
Math: We will continue to work on patterns, and will be moving onto number sense focusing on numbers 1-20. We will focus on counting to 20, backwards from 10, subitizing (recognizing dot patterns) to 10, addition using doubles. (example $2+2$ ) and how to express numbers in various formats.
Health: We will talk about germs, fire safety and Halloween safety
Gym: Our focus will be on goal-oriented games.
Art: Fall themed projects using various mediums such as paint and pastels.

As we finish up our first month of school, routines and transitions are all falling nicely into place. As October continues the amount of English spoken by myself in class diminishes. By mid October there will be no English spoken by myself with the students. With this transition you will likely notice more fatigue, which can sometimes manifest itself in a desire to stay home with mom and dad. Students can often say they are bored at school as they sometimes don't have other words to verbalize that school can be getting more difficult (i.e. more focus needed to understand what is going on). This is very normal and usually disappears as we continue on in the year and their French vocabulary continues to grow.
-Just a reminder that we are doing a relaxed entry beginning at $8: 45$ every morning. Until $8: 45$ there is no supervision outside and students will not be allowed in the school.
-Please make sure that you are checking your students agenda and agenda pocket everyday.
-I have been sending out emails all September now. If you have not been receiving them please let me know.

- Volunteering please refer to the back of this newsletter for more info regarding volunteering.
-This will be the last newsletter I will send out as a hard copy. Please check my classroom website every month for that month's newsletter.

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