Dear Families,

Thanks for an awesome FALL FESTIVAL!!!!! There will only be three days of school this week, so there won’t be any homework. Instead, continue to read just-right-books every day. Happy reading!

One housekeeping reminder: Most children have appropriate clothing for the season, but it’s never too soon to think about coats, snow-pants, boots, gloves and hats. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE label your child’s clothing. Almost all of us shop at very similar stores and choose very similar clothing for the kids. Names really help. The lost and found is already overflowing and we want to make sure the clothing you buy stays with your child. Thanks.

Math will be different this week. To accommodate the CogAt test, students who have not previously been identified as GT (you received an attachment to the newsletter two weeks ago) will be given the test and those that have been identified as GT will receive STEAM enrichment with Ms. Krider.

Our new ReadAloud is The Hundred Dresses by Eleanor Estes. It touches on issues such as income inequality, bullying, teasing and lying in a format accessible to 2nd graders. Maybe some of the issues will come up in discussions at home.

We took our first Public Library trip last week. Children were able to check out two books of their choice. You may return public library books to any library in St. Paul and your child’s account will be cleared. There are no late fines for youth materials, but if a book is lost, the cost will need to come from home. If you get e-mails or phones calls reminding you of late/overdue books please ignore them. These messages are automated. The library is aware of our monthly visits.

In literacy, we will review Milo and the Fire Engine Parade and identify the main idea/central message and details of the story. In Writer’s Workshop we continue to expand our expertise topics. We will read the book Nothing To Do, which is about finding creative, fun hobbies, while at the same time learning how to do nothing at all. This is a skill lacking in today’s world. We hope you are able to practice doing nothing over the long weekend.

**General Information:**

- School doors open 7:15
- Specialist classes: PE, S, M
- 10/14 – 16 CogAt Testing
- **10/17 & 18 No School**
- **10/23 Unity Day! Wear Orange to Stand Up to Bullying**
- 10/24 Spirit Day! Sports Team Day!
- **10/25 No School**
- 10/28 Eat at Chipotle Rosedale - Fundraiser
- 10/30 Picture Retakes

- The weekly newsletter can be found on the school website: [https://www.spps.org/domain/237](https://www.spps.org/domain/237)

Best, Ms. Lee and Mr. Lor  

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