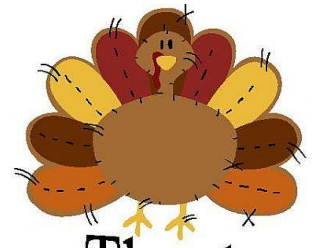




Oneonta Montessori School

November 2016



Happy Thanksgiving

School Holidays: Veteran's Day - Friday, 11th
Thanksgiving - Thursday, 24th, Friday 25th

A SEASON OF THANKS.....

We want to let all of you know how thankful we are that you chose our school to nurture and educate your children. We wear many hats at Oneonta; firstly as teachers, also as counselors & therapists, and we do so with appreciation and gratitude for the trust bestowed on us. Please know that if you need to discuss anything at all, we are here to listen and try our best to make things better. ☺

ANNUAL SEES CANDY FUND RAISER

Fri, October 21st - Thurs, November 10th

Forms have been sent out and we are hoping ALL our parents get involved in helping to sell Sees candy. This year we would like to add some new play equipment in the preschool playground. Ways to participate:

- Please take Sees Candy forms to work & get orders from coworkers.
- Please take orders from family and friends
- If you operate your own business; ordering Sees Candy for your customers is a good way to say Thank You @ Christmas.

SUMMARY SHEET is due back on: **Thurs, 10th** with the money (cash and checks). Checks made out to: **Oneonta Montessori School.**

SEES FLIER WITH PICTURES: *You keep.*
You will need the flyers (with names) for distribution.

*Candy will be delivered & ready for pick up on:
THURSDAY, DEC 8th*

Student with the highest sales will receive:

*\$200.00 tuition credit and a
\$50.00 gift certificate to Toys R Us.*

Students with sales totaling over \$ 500.00:

Will be treated to a special lunch.

Class with the highest student participation & the class with the highest total sales:

Will enjoy a pizza & ice cream party.

Winners' names will be posted soon. We have always had a wonderful response from all our parents and are counting on you once again to help us this year. Thank you for your continued support.

THANKSGIVING POTLUCK

Wed 23rd, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Parents, please join us for our annual Thanksgiving luncheon. This is a time of togetherness and a time to be thankful for everything we have. We would love to see all of you at the luncheon, so please make an extra attempt to join us. Potluck sign-ups will be posted in each classroom shortly. We need one special volunteer from each class to roast the turkey which the school will provide. We hope to see all of you on the 23rd! A Happy Thanksgiving to all!

LOCK DOWN DRILL

Tues, November 8th

We practice this drill just in case our school has to lock down due to any unavoidable circumstances. We want the children to get used to the words "Lock Down" which is the command they have to listen for to get down on their knees crawl to their designated safe zones & wait for instructions.

VETERAN'S DAY FIELD TRIP

Class #5, #6, #7, #8, #9

Dates to be announced

Students will walk to the Alhambra Park to pay their respects at the Veteran's Wall, honoring all the brave men and women who died fighting for our country. Students must wear their green school shirt and bring a sack lunch. The students will have lunch and return to school.

AMY'S FARM

Thurs, 17th, 2nd - 6th Grade

Now it's the older students turn to visit the farm and get to milk a cow, groom a horse, feed the animals learn how vegetables grow & much more! ☺ Day!

SICK CHILDREN

When children are sick, we kindly request that you please keep them at home. Please know that one sick child at school can infect all those who are well.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Ms Vanessa's Ladybugs - Class # 1

This month our sweet Ladybugs will explore land and water as our geography lesson & learn the parts of a fish for zoology. We will read books from our school library to learn about Veterans and create a beautiful project in recognition of Veteran's day. For science, we will learn how different items sink and others float. Thanksgiving is just around the corner and we're excited to create projects, make yummy snacks and learn fun skits. We look forward to having lunch with our parents for our Thanksgiving potluck!

Ms Esther's Dragonflies - Class # 2

Wow, time flies! We've almost completed 2 months of school & your children have grown so much in every aspect: academically, physically, emotionally and socially. For this month, we will be learning about different fruits and vegetables that are on the cornucopia and discuss how to eat healthy. We will talk about Thanksgiving and being grateful, as we explore the pilgrim's voyage to America. Our Dragonflies will learn to be courteous and use appropriate manners. For geography and science, we will review the continents and outer planets. Your child will work on special art projects to celebrate Veteran's day & Thanksgiving.

Ms Melinda's Honey Bees – Class # 3

November is the month for *giving* and *being thankful*. We will begin our month by learning about the Pilgrims, Indians, and the Mayflower Ship. For art, we will decorate a huge cornucopia with a variety of fruits. Food will play a big role this month as families get together. We will take the opportunity to learn how to eat healthy. Veteran's Day will be acknowledged with a visit to the school library for stories and a project. For geography the class will do a hands on project with sand and paint to discover our globe; emphasis on land and water. *"We hope to see all of you at our Thanksgiving lunch!"*

Ms Audrey's Butterflies – Class # 4

Welcome to November, we are looking forward to and preparing for a fantastic Thanksgiving celebration with our OMS families. Firstly we want to say "Thank you for your service" to our brave and selfless Veterans. The Butterfly class will be putting up our own Veteran's memorial. Please send in a picture of a family member or friend who has served so that we may post it. We have so much to be thankful for; we will talk about making new friends and count our blessings as we learn about the first Thanksgiving. We will celebrate the diversity found in our own little classroom as we examine traditions, favorite foods and customs our families have brought to America. Don't forget, it's time to vote! We will set up our own little polling place and join the rest of America by choosing a choice for President of the United States....stay tuned!

Ms Vangie - Class # 5

November is about Thankfulness and plenty as we celebrate Thanksgiving. Our students are enjoying school and working diligently. This month's lessons will continue with more emphasis on reading, comprehension, literature, and some parts of speech. Math for both grade levels will focus on word problems, expanded form, and money/coins. The year and its parts, Calendar. land forms, Earth facts, all about fish & types of plants are also in the works.

Ms Sue - Class # 6

We will start off the month extending our heartfelt thanks to all our brave veterans for their service. The Thanksgiving holiday will help us emphasize the need for good nutrition and understand the Food Plate; making good choices for our ever changing bodies. N. America will be our focus for Geography. This month will help us appreciate the rich cultural influences of our own families. Celebrating the diversity found right here in our own classroom. Our kindergartners were very excited about their 'Immigrant Interview' presentations; thank you to all those they interviewed. A very happy Thanksgiving to All!

Ms Blossom - Class # 7

Welcome to the month of appreciation and giving thanks! We will learn more about nouns, prefixes and commas & in math, mastery of dynamic subtraction, money and time. geography; 3rd graders will continue their European exploration with the study of its countries and capitals & in history learn the stages of man's progress; Fundamental Needs of Man (food), and external parts of vertebrates in zoology. 2nd graders will learn leaf facts and parts of a leaf and its forms. Our veterans will be remembered as we pay tribute to them. Happy Thanksgiving!

Ms Terri - Class # 8

We are thankful for all we have! We will remember our veterans for their service. We will travel back to the Pilgrims and Indians to learn about the first Thanksgiving; famous Native Americans like Pocahontas, Sacagawea and Geronimo. We will discuss exercising, eating healthy and learning about the food plate. For Geography we will be focusing on North American landmarks and animals that inhabit our home. KG is excited about their public speaking abilities & TK is enjoying being the audience!

Ms Ernamarie - Class # 9

The 11th and penultimate month of the year brings us Thanksgiving, Veteran's and the US Presidential Election. Also, a significant month for literature as we begin with the second book on the list. Geometry continues with triangles, squares, perimeter and area. More fractions and order of operations for Math and invertebrates and vertebrates for zoology. Remember that there's always something to be thankful for! We look forward to seeing all of you at the lunch on the 23rd. Happy Thanksgiving!