Junior Kindergarten Newsletter Week of October 25, 2021

## **Academics**

- 1. We will finish up our review of the letters we have worked on so far, (A, M, S, T, I, P). I am sending home a halloween read aloud book for all of the students. I have access to a program online called Reading A-Z and they have a wonderful treasure trove of printable books. If your child has older siblings they may have used it already at CCS. We will "read" it together on Monday and they can "read it" at home or listen. to you reading it to them. Even if your child is not actually reading but has memorized the words or repeated phrases this is a great step to becoming a reader.
- We will continue working on numbers to 10 and beyond.
  Last week we worked on more and less. We just started the concept of equal.
- For religious education we are going to learn about what a Saint is, how we can all be Saints, and learn about some famous Saints in preparation for the 2nd grade Saints project, such as St.Francis of Assisi, Mother Teresa, St.

Therese of Lisieux, St. Nicholas, St. John the Baptist.

## **Books**

"Room on the Broom" by Julia Donaldson with some activities to go with it. "The Little Old Lady Who Was not Afraid of Anything" by Linda Williams.

## Other

- 1. You are now able to purchase books from the book fair. You can send in money for the books, order online, or drop in at school on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.
- Parent Teacher conferences are coming up on November 4th and 5th. You can sign up through the link in the Tuesday Teller.

## **Halloween Party**

We are going to have a Fall Harvest/Halloween party on Friday the 29th. The students are able to wear costumes that day. They should not have anything with lights, hoods or masks, weapons, blood or gore. They should wear appropriate shoes. I do need your help to make it a celebration. I am asking that each child bring in a small pumpkin, (the size of a cantaloupe), as we are going to complete an art project that day. I am also asking for donations of "treats" such as cookies, small cupcakes, fruit, cheese, and some apple cider. I will send a note home on Monday asking for donations.

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