Dear Parents,

We have completed the first month of Grade 2 and are already into October. The students have been working well and developing new routines in the classroom. Below are some upcoming events, reminders, and the areas of the curriculum which we will engage with this month.

Upcoming Events

October 4th - Class and Individual Photos

October 8th – 8:15 AM Mass for Grades 2 and 3, Walkathon

October 11th – Thanksgiving (No School)

October 22nd – Pro-D Day (No School)

October 29th – Halloween Dress Up Day

Religion

Children will begin learning about the lives of different Saints, starting this month with St Patrick and Mother Teresa. They will also be introduced to personal prayer and how we can create our own prayers for others.

<u>Math</u>

We will continue to work on 2-digit addition. The children will also learn about patterns and how to identify them.

Language Arts

The children will be introduced to Daily 5. This is a literacy initiative where students engage with 5 daily tasks to improve reading and writing skills (Read to Self, Read to Someone, Listen to Reading, Work on Writing and Word Work). They will also work on capitalization and punctuation in their writing across the curriculum.

Socials Studies

Students will continue learning about different traditions and celebrations in different cultures, with a focus on First Nations.

<u>Science</u>

This month, we will continue learning more about the water cycle, and discuss ways of conserving water.

<u>Art</u>

We will continue exploring lines in art, and the children will also create some spooky Halloween art.

Homework will continue to be the same as the previous month. The students will receive their spelling list on a Monday and their sentences are due on a Thursday. This allows some flexibility when completing homework. Children are also expected to complete 15-20 minutes of reading a night on RazKids. Any additional homework will be assigned on the night, which is usually work to finish from class. I also ask that you sign your child's homework journal to ensure that they are completing their homework and to read any notes sent home.

Please reach out if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Miss Mulroy.