

# Kindergarten

MRS.  
DUMAN'S  
CLASS

November 14, 2011



## We are thankful...

This Thursday, November 17, we will have a Thanksgiving meal during lunch. Chartwell's Food Service will be serving Turkey Dinner for lunch (for those students who purchase it), and there will be a dessert table for students to choose from when they have finished their lunch.

We are looking for families who are able to donate a dessert for the dessert table. If you are able to donate, please send the dessert to school on Thursday morning with your child. Please refrain from any desserts that contain nuts. Thanks for your generosity

Also, don't forget that there is no school next Wednesday-Friday, November 23-25. Enjoy your Thanksgiving Holiday!

### Construction Unit

This week Mrs. El-Mohri will begin her full-time teaching. This includes starting our science "Construction" Unit.

In this unit, students will learn about simple machines. They will use a pulley and a lever. They will also build a variety of structures, and test what makes a strong structure. Finally, students will learn about 3 types of bridges. These 3 types are a beam bridge, arch bridge, and suspension bridge.

Be sure to ask your child about this new science unit. Feel free to send in any pictures or books you may have about construction.

### [More About Our Class](#)

You can learn more about weekly classroom activities by going to our class website:

[www.mrsdumansclass.com](http://www.mrsdumansclass.com)

If you need to get in contact with me, my e-mail is:

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### Some of the Things We Did Last Week

- \* Continued focusing our stories on a small moment in writing workshop
- \* Used math coordinates to play a candy corn game
- \* In handwriting we introduced the letter X. We also practiced the sound it makes
- \* Introduced the word wall word "you"
- \* In Phonics we did pictures matches using beginning sounds
- \* At the listening center, we practiced following directions using shapes
- \* Practiced ordering numbers from 1-20
- \* Practiced using reading strategies. We asked ourselves what would make sense when we reached an unknown word, and then checked the beginning sound

### Dates To Remember:

Thursday, November 17 -  
Thanksgiving Meal at Lunch Time

Friday, November 18 - 6:30-8  
Pittsfield Movie Night

November 23, 24, 25 - No  
School - Thanksgiving Break

November 29 - Report Cards Go  
Home

### Homework Folder

I will begin giving homework on Monday-Thursday only. Fridays will be a good time to catch up on any homework you were unable to finish during the week. Thanks again for all of your support.

### Cold Weather

As the weather gets colder, cold weather gear becomes more necessary. Students go outside at lunch recess every day, unless it is raining or the windchill drops too low.

Please make sure your child has a hat, gloves or mittens, a warm coat, and snow pants when necessary. If you have old gloves or snow pants your child has outgrown, feel free to donate them to our classroom collection.