



# Mars Hill Elementary School November Newsletter



## What's Happening In...

Kindergarten is continuing to learn letters and sounds, identifying, constructing and comparing 2D shapes, as well as measuring. We will also learn all about turkeys and Thanksgiving this month! We are thankful for our sweet kiddos!

In the month of November, **first grade** will be reading about the traditions of Hoop Dancing along with Native American culture. We will be learning our glued sounds in Foundations, and in math we will be adding 3 addends and working with double digit adding.

**Second grade** will be studying Native American tribes in the month of November. Students will rotate through each class and learn about a different tribe with crafts, vocabulary and activities. They will study geographical location of tribes and develop a better understanding of the vital contributions made by the Native Americans.

## Dates to Remember

November 8: No School/Election Day  
November 10: Veterans Day Program for Students/Wear Red, White & Blue Day  
November 11: No School/Veterans Day  
November 23-25: No School/Thanksgiving

## A Note from our Music Teacher

On November 10<sup>th</sup>, we will have a special assembly to honor our Veterans and to help our students understand the importance of Veterans Day. Since we have to limit the number of people, this program will only be open to students, staff, and a few special guests. The Air Force 14th Weather Squadron Special Ceremonies Team will be at our program to do a special flag folding ceremony. Look for a link to the Veterans Day slideshow on our Facebook page! We appreciate everyone who sent in pictures and information for this slideshow. Thank you to the humble group of Veterans in our community for allowing us to include them in the slideshow!

Mrs. Sherry Grove





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After fourth grade completes reading and math NC Check-Ins to see how students are progressing, we will have two fun field trips! We will visit Smith Farm at Bailey Mountain and the MHU campus. We will also visit the public library to wrap up our "Wonder" novel study. With Thanksgiving approaching, we will honor North Carolina's Native American culture by reading "Soft Rain" by Cornelia Cornelissen. In math, we will study place value, rounding, and the addition and subtraction algorithms. Please encourage your child to study the multiplication facts!

Third graders are excited to harvest food from our 4-H garden this month! We are learning about the history of Thanksgiving in Social Studies and starting a new unit on addition in math.

In **fifth grade** math, we will be continuing our unit on fractions while circling back to review multiplication, division, order of operations, and volume. In science, we are wrapping up a unit on cells and body systems and moving into a unit on genetics. In ELA, we will continue to work on comparing/contrasting story elements. We will also be focusing on inferring and visualizing to develop a deeper understanding of the text. We will continue to discuss main idea vs. theme and nonfiction text structures. In social studies we are talking about the Constitution and the history of voting rights.

*"When given the choice  
between being right and  
being kind, choose kind."*

*- Dr. Wayne W. Dyer*

