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Hello Wakefield Families.

In first grade we are learning to write for different purposes. Each class recently completed their own creative writing book that was sent out for publication titled "If I Could Be Anything." Students created cards for veterans to express their gratitude. It would be a great project for your child to create holiday cards to send to friends and family. Have them practice writing their return address on the envelope!

For informational writing and an extension of our communities unit, we are participating in a postcard project with schools across the country. We are sharing information about New Hampshire and comparing our community to that of others.

We love to play games in first grade! Games are a fun way to build skills in math and reading. Here are some games we enjoy: Jenga (tape sight words/vocabulary to the edges!), Shut the Box, Quoridor Jr., Trash (card game), Rush Hour, and Make 10 Go Fish. Hitting the road for the holidays? These games are fantastic for long car rides or waiting in airports: Categories ABC (example: category is animals, go through the alphabet and

name an animal for each letter), In My Suitcase I Packed (name what each person packed then add your own to the list), and I Spy (perfect to practice adjectives or positional words).

With the holiday season fast approaching, we would like to give you some ideas for gifts for your families and loved ones. Often we find kids have so many toys that are barely used. One suggestion is to do a toy swap with local families and trade toys, books, or games that your child no longer uses with something another family no longer uses. Another idea is to donate unused toys to families in need.

When family members/friends ask what they can get as a gift, here are some different options: season passes to somewhere your family enjoys, gift cards or one day outing experiences (movies, bowling, tubing, etc.) Tickets to a sporting event, live performance, or "I owe you" coupons are always cool options for building fond memories. A special journal or diary to record memories is a great gift for any age, and strengthens narrative writing.

Wishing you all a very joyous holiday season! :-) First Grade Team



TURKEY DISGUISE CONTEST

Help! Thanksgiving is on its way and I need to hide. The library is running a contest for grades PreK-6. Disguise your turkey so they won't be caught for dinner. Dress them up and return to the library by Monday, November 21, for a chance to win a prize. Turkeys will be chosen by grade level for a gift certificate to the Scholastic Book Fair that is coming in December!

Make sure your name, teacher's name and grade level are written on the back and good luck!

*Templates can be picked up in the library.

Lunch Menu

November 21 & 22, 2022

Choice A:

Monday- Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza and Broccoli **Tuesday-** Beef & Cheese Tacos, Refried Beans & Sweet Corn

Wednesday- No School
Thursday- Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday- No School

Choice B:Chef's Salad

Choice C: Cheddar & Soft Pretzel

Choice D: Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich

Our 2nd annual Turkey Trot will be taking place on Tuesday, November 22nd (Rain Date: Monday, November 21st)! Paul School is excited to announce a TURKEY TROT activity fundraiser that will be held at school, during school hours, with homeroom teachers and other students in their grade level. We're asking for students to get sponsors to donate money encouraging them to move their bodies. Notices to families are going home by the end of the week!

We are scheduling each grade to have an additional "recess" where they will be able to walk, run, or skip around the ball fields in front of the playground. We will have fun music and water. Festive hats and fall colors are encouraged.

This student-only event will help promote a healthy lifestyle while earning money that is 100% profit for our Universal PBIS Team to do fun things for our school. Not only that, EVERY grade will have one student chosen to win a turkey.

Please think about asking your family and friends to donate to a great cause, while supporting Paul School students to move their bodies and enjoy the outdoors.

