## Hancock Elementary School

"Rooted in Community, Reaching for the Stars"

It is hard to believe that we have completed the first quarter of school. The children have settled in and are making wonderful progress in math, reading, writing, and social emotional skills. As some of you know, one of the ways that we build students' skills is through a block of time called WIN. WIN stands for What I Need. WIN is a thirty minute block where students are provided additional instruction and practice in either math or literacy skills. Teachers use classroom observations and assessment data to identify learning targets. We then form multi-aged groups based on common learning targets. For some students, we are filling in learning gaps while other students are extending their learning.



This quarter the instructional groups will be

- Reading sight words in isolation and in text,
- Using phonics skills to read new words,
- Identifying the main idea and details with Fiction Text,
- Identifying the main idea and details with Nonfiction Text,
- Writing, and
- Analyzing vocabulary.

We are fortunate to have Emily Chin as a part of our WIN team. Emily will work with a variety of students in a variety of situations. She will be teaching children center activities in the classroom, conducting small group instruction with some students as well as working one on one with children.

It was wonderful to see families at the parent teacher conferences. Your partnership is truly valued by all of the professionals at Hancock Elementary School.

We had such fun at the **Elementary Community School Turkey Trot**. While it was quite brisk, the sun warmed us as did the running.

We look forward to seeing everyone who signed up to attend the **ConVal Harvest Feast** on Thursday, November 21st at 12:30.

We would also like to recognize Jennifer White as our Volunteer of the Month. Thank you Jen for all you did to help make the Harvest Dinner and Silent Auction a huge success!

Have a good weekend!

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