

# Corbitt Connection

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## November Resource Schedule

P.E.: 30<sup>th</sup>

Music: 29<sup>th</sup>

Art: 28<sup>th</sup>

## NO School

As a reminder, we are off from Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> through Monday, November 26<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving. Enjoy and be safe, I'll see you Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>.

## Reading Goal Update

During Friday's flag raising we heard that the students have read a little over 33,000 books, which is a great start! I wanted to remind everyone that for the 2<sup>nd</sup> nine weeks your child is responsible for a total of 14 books OR seven more than last time. Remember we need to keep reading to slime Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Doyle!

## "What Can I Do at Home?"

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday I would like to encourage you to take the "extra" time we have this week and spend it with your family. In our very busy lives (myself included) I think that sometimes we can get "caught up." Therefore, I would like to encourage you to *Share Your Gratitude*. During your family dinner, take turns sharing what you are most thankful for this year, or even that day. Most of all, I hope that you and your family enjoy the holiday!!!

## Important Dates to Remember

Nov. 21-26	No School: Weather Days & Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 28	"Winter" Benchmark Testing Begins Early Dismissal @ 1:45 p.m.

## What's Hoppin' Academically

### Reader's Workshop

This week we will begin learning about how to identify the theme or message the author wants us to learn.

### Writer's Workshop

The brainstorming is complete and this week the students will continue drafting their persuasive essays.

### Skills Block

Due to the extremely short week this week the students will NOT get a new set of spelling words. We will continue working with identifying antonyms and synonyms, learn about the suffixes -ly (meaning in a \_\_\_ way) and -er (meaning someone who) and even try some word scrambles and play our Boggle game.

### Math

This week we will begin working with combinations. There is a short way and a long way to complete these problems and the students will learn both!

### Science

We are almost ready to return to science. We will begin our unit on matter soon!

### Social Studies

This week we will continue to learn more about the culture of the Navajo and Cherokee people. Our focus will be on comparing and contrasting their lives to ours.

## Homework Schedule

This week there is no official homework. However, I would like to encourage you to use this "extra" time and utilize the free electronic resources-like Destination Success and Study Island. As a reminder the links to these websites are available on the "Links" page of our classroom website. I will send home the usernames and passwords to both websites tomorrow in your child's planner. ☺