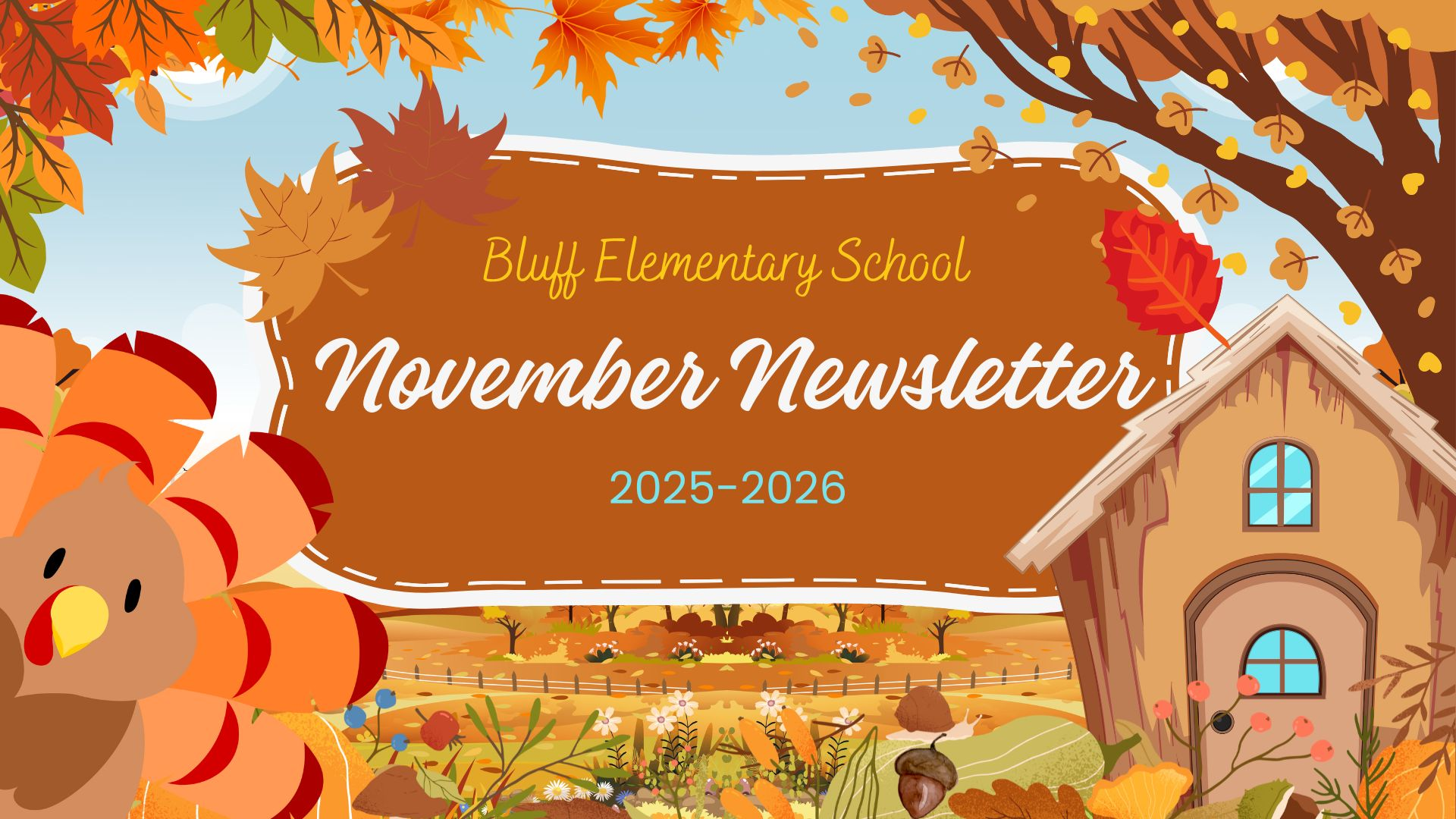


A vibrant autumn-themed illustration. In the foreground, a turkey with orange and red feathers is partially visible on the left. The background features a large tree with brown branches and yellow and orange leaves falling. A brown banner with a dashed white border is centered, containing the text. To the right, a small tan house with a brown roof and two arched windows is visible. The ground is covered in autumn foliage, including acorns and small flowers.

Bluff Elementary School

November Newsletter

2025-2026

Principal Silversmith

Bluff Eagle Families

Throughout the school year the staff and students practice emergency drills. The poster attached shows the standard response protocol we use to practice the drills. This helps all of us be prepared in case of a real emergency.

November is the month to be reminded of being **GRATEFUL** and **THANKFUL**. I would like to thank you parents for the support you provide for your children in getting them to school and helping them continue to READ at HOME! You are the BEST!

I'm also grateful for your children, they are the BEST! I enjoy working with them and enjoy being their Principal. I enjoy the laughter, smiles and determination they all bring to school. It's a joy each day to see them get off the bus and enter the school building. I'm truly GRATEFUL!

STANDARD RESPONSE PROTOCOL

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

Our school has adopted The "I Love U Guys" Foundation's Standard Response Protocol (SRP). Students and staff will be training, practicing, and drilling the protocol.

COMMON LANGUAGE

The Standard Response Protocol (SRP) is based on an all-hazards approach as opposed to individual scenarios. Like the Incident Command System (ICS), SRP utilizes clear common language while allowing for flexibility in protocol.

The premise is simple - there are five specific actions that can be performed during an incident. When communicating these, the action is labeled with a "Term of Art" and is then followed by a "Directive." Execution of the action is performed by active participants, including students, staff, teachers and first responders. The SRP is based on the following actions: Hold, Secure, Lockdown, Evacuate, and Shelter.

HOLD

"In Your Classroom or Area"

Students are trained to:

- Clear the hallways and remain in their area or room until the "All Clear" is announced
- Do business as usual

Adults and staff are trained to:

- Close and lock the door
- Account for students and adults
- Do business as usual

SECURE

"Get Inside. Lock outside doors"

Students are trained to:

- Return to inside of building
- Do business as usual

Adults and staff are trained to:

- Bring everyone indoors
- Lock the outside doors
- Increase situational awareness
- Account for students and adults
- Do business as usual

LOCKDOWN

"Locks, Lights, Out of Sight"

Students are trained to:

- Move away from sight
- Maintain silence
- Do not open the door

Adults and staff are trained to:

- Recover students from hallway if possible
- Lock the classroom door
- Turn out the lights
- Move away from sight
- Maintain silence
- Do not open the door
- Prepare to evade or defend

EVACUATE

"To a Location"

Students are trained to:

- Leave stuff behind if required to
- If possible, bring their phone
- Follow instructions

Adults and staff are trained to:

- Bring roll sheet and Go Bag (unless instructed not to bring anything with them, dependent on reason for evacuation.)
- Lead students to Evacuation location
- Account for students and adults
- Report injuries or problems using Red Card/Green Card method.

SHELTER

"State Hazard and Safety Strategy"

Hazards might include:

- Tornado
- Hazmat
- Earthquake
- Tsunami

Safety Strategies might include:

- Evacuate to shelter area
- Seal the room
- Drop, cover and hold
- Get to high ground

Students are trained in:

- Appropriate Hazards and Safety Strategies

Adults and staff are trained in:

- Appropriate Hazards and Safety Strategies
- Accounting for students and adults
- Report injuries or problems using Red Card/Green Card method.

Front Office

Important Dates:

- Nov 11th - Veteran's Day (NO SCHOOL)
- Nov 12th - School Board Meeting
- Nov 17th - SCC Meeting
- Nov 20th - School Thanksgiving Meal
 - ATTENTION PARENTS: IF YOU PLAN TO EAT WITH YOUR CHILD ON THIS DAY, PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL BEFORE 9 AM TO ENSURE WE CAN ACCOUNT FOR MEALS. ALL MEAL PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE AT THE OFFICE PRIOR TO SERVING. ADULTS \$4.60, CHILD 0-12 \$2.60, CHILD 13-17 \$2.90
- Nov 26th - 28th - Thanksgiving Break (NO SCHOOL)

Parent Reminders:

- Please call the school if your child is absent and provide a medical note if applicable.
- If you are picking up your child after school, please call the school before 2:45 PM, as the office becomes busy closer to 3:00 PM.
- An attendance report will be mailed home to all students at the end of each month.
- As the weather is changing and some days may be cold, please send your child with a jacket. The school has limited sizes and availability.
- Homework for students may not always be prepared the same day, as teachers are focusing on instruction during the day and may require time to prepare materials. Teachers need at least one day's notice to prepare any special materials.
- If you plan to eat with your child at school, please call the office before 9 AM so that the kitchen staff can adequately prepare the meals.

Thank you for your cooperation!



November 2025



MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY Parents who would like to eat

3	Soup Day Rolls Green Salad Apples Green Beans	4	Hoagie Sandwich Chips Pineapple Carrot Sticks Carrot Sticks Brownies	5	Chicken Alfredo Breadsticks Steamed Broccoli Mandarin Oranges Green Salad	6	Pulled Pork Burrito Rice Black Beans Applesauce	7	Frito Pie Pears Peas & Carrots Corn
10	Sloppy Joes Steamed Carrots Mandarin Oranges Steamed Broccoli	11	VETERANS DAY NO SCHOOL	12	Pizza Fries Pears Carrot Sticks	13	Chicken Patty Potatoes & Gravy Corn Pineapple Rolls	14	Tacos Peaches Refried Beans Chocolate Cake
17	Beef Nachos Corn Pears Refried Beans	18	Stromboli Pudding Carrot Sticks Peas Oranges	19	Salisbury Steak Rolls Steamed Broccoli Rice/Green Beans Pineapple	20	Roast Turkey Potatoes/Gravy Rolls Green Beans Strawberry Short Cake	21	Bacon Cheese Burger Fries Peaches Cookie
24	Toasted Cheese Tomato Soup Green Beans Green Salad Peaches	25	Spaghetti Breadsticks Green Beans Green Salad Peaches	26	THANKSGIVING BREAK NO SCHOOL	27	THANKSGIVING BREAK NO SCHOOL	28	THANKSGIVING BREAK NO SCHOOL

Lunch Prices:

Adult Lunch.....	\$4.60
Adult Salad (Pre-Order Only).....	\$3.10
Non-Student Child 0-12 yrs.....	\$2.60
Non-Student Child 13-17 yrs.....	\$2.90
Milk (Extra).....	\$0.40

Breakfast & Lunch

Menu



November 2025

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

3	French Toast Sausage Oranges	4	Breakfast Pizza Pears String Cheese	5	Breakfast Burrito Grapes Hash Browns	6	Sausage, Egg & Cheese Croissant Mandarin Oranges Yogurt	7	Bagel Egg Patty Peaches Boiled Egg
10	Breakfast Pizza Pears String Cheese	11	VETERANS DAY NO SCHOOL	12	Biscuits & Gravy Sausage Apples	13	Sausage, Egg & Cheese Muffin Mandarin Oranges Yogurt	14	Scrambled Eggs Bananas Hash Browns
17	Oatmeal Yogurt Mandarin Oranges	18	Sausage, Egg & Cheese Croissant Hash Browns Grapes	19	Breakfast Pizza Boiled Egg Applesauce	20	French Toast Sausage Bananas	21	Breakfast Burrito Pears String Cheese
24	Waffles Pineapple Hash Browns	25	Sausage, Egg & Cheese Muffin Bananas Yogurt	26	THANKSGIVING BREAK NO SCHOOL	27	THANKSGIVING BREAK NO SCHOOL	28	THANKSGIVING BREAK NO SCHOOL

Reminder: ALL students can eat breakfast for FREE. Check with individual Schools for serving times.

Served Daily:

-Alternate Entrée:
Assorted Cereal w/ 1
Slice of Toast
Cinnamon Toast

-Beverages:
Chocolate Skim Milk
1% White Milk
Juice Variety

Happy Thanksgiving!

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**MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO
CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE!



Practicing gratitude isn't just about good manners, it actually helps students feel happier, calmer, and more focused. When we take time to notice what's going well, our brains build stronger connections for learning and problem-solving. Encouraging students to express gratitude by thanking a classmate, appreciating a teacher, or recognizing their own effort can boost confidence, improve relationships, and make school a more positive place for everyone.

Look for opportunities to ask your students what they were grateful for! The 5th grade student leadership will hold an activity, so be on the lookout and let your students talk about it!

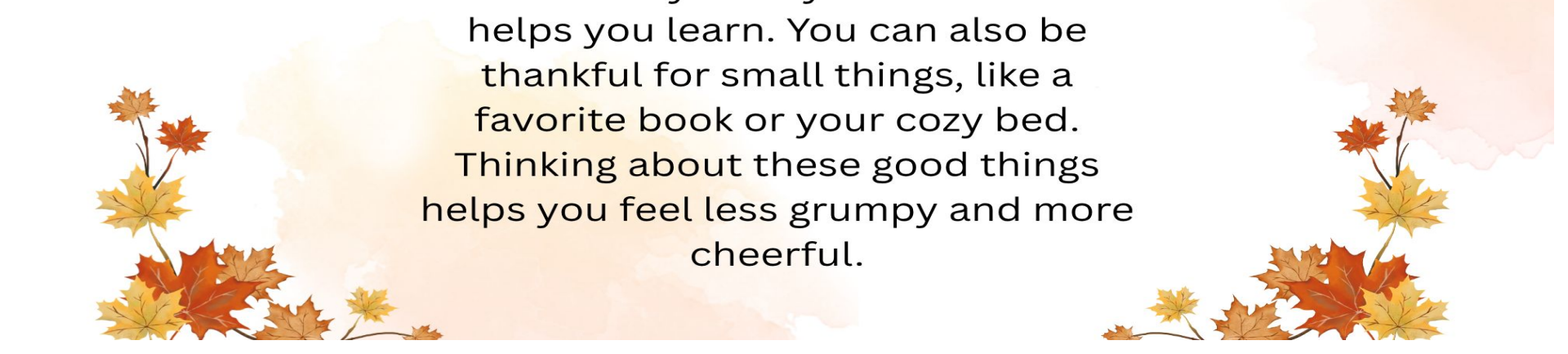
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Ms. Kd Special Education

Being grateful is like having a superpower that makes you happy. It means thinking about all the people who help you, like your family who takes care of you or your teacher who helps you learn. You can also be thankful for small things, like a favorite book or your cozy bed. Thinking about these good things helps you feel less grumpy and more cheerful.

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Happy Thanksgiving

Dear Preschool Families,

We are starting Unit 1 of our classroom program, Connect4Learning. This unit will focus on helping your child get settled in the classroom with classmates, routines, and using the classroom environment. We will be exploring the following topics and skills.

-**Science:** The 5 Senses

-**Math:** Working with numbers counting from 0-10

-**Literacy:** Hearing and using new words
Read Children's books
Learning about parts of the book and about authors and illustrators
Learning about rules for print:
(space between words, punctuation marks, and capital letters.

-**Social Emotional Skills:**
Classroom expectations: Be safe, be kind, be a team player.

By the end of the unit, we will have written a book called "Meet Our Class", which you will be able to read.

Important Days:

Nov. 3rd-25th
Native Heritage Month. Nellie will send out the schedule for students participation.

Nov. 11th
Veteran's Day
No School

Nov. 26th-28th
Thanksgiving Break
No School



Hero of the Month:

KD is our preschool hero of the month.

KD comes in every morning with a beautiful smile and positive attitude with awesome music to do Zumba with us. We love KD and Zumba!! Preschool has a little more rhythm because of her. KD loves butterflies and beautiful jewelry. Preschool loves her creative art projects and nursery rhymes. Our preschool friends love KD, we are lucky to have her with us this year.
Thanks KD for all you do for preschool.

Connect4learning

Unit One: Connect with School and Friends:

Builds the most important school connections: among the children and peers, teachers, and the school. They engage in hands-on science exploration in the senses and hear and perhaps even use rich vocabulary in context. They explore high-quality children's literature as they learn how print is used and begins to understand how to work with books. Children learn classroom routines, how to use materials, and social-emotional skills, including how to be with a group, make friends, and work together. They explore mathematics manipulatives, learning foundations ideas and skills through play.

What You Can Do:

- Talk about the 5 senses with your child: hearing, seeing, smelling, touching, and tasting
- Read books and have conversations daily.
- Ask your child what he or she is learning about being safe, be kind, and being a team player.
- With Family and Friends, encourage your child to make connections about safety about safety, kindness, and being a team player.
- Ask about new friends.
- Log in to the online parent portal: <https://platform.connect4learning.com/user>



Kindergarten November Newsletter

Dear Families,

It is so crazy that it is already November!

Thank you for ensuring your child is coming to school every day. When they are here they learn so much, which is why it is so important for them to be here.

Please keep checking your students backpack for homework that is being sent home. Some things you can do to help your student at home is to count with them from 1-20 and practice writing those numbers. You can also help them by saying the sounds in words that have 2-3 sounds. In the word bat there are three sounds, /b/ /a/ /t/. That is an important skill that will help them with reading.

Please remember to continue reading to your student. Have them bring their completed reading log for October back to school for a special eraser.



Important Dates

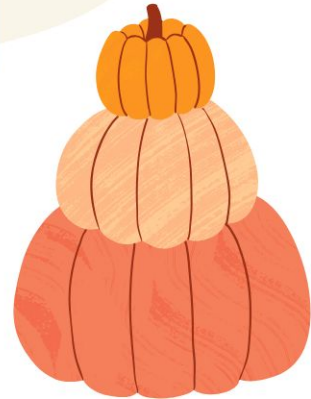
**Nov 11th:
Veterans Day - NO
SCHOOL**

**Nov 20th:
Thanksgiving meal (please
call office by 9am)**

**Nov 26th-28th
NO SCHOOL -
Thanksgiving Break**



No Birthdays



First Grade November Newsletter 2025

Dear first grade families,

WOW! We are now in the month of November. There are few things I want to inform you about. But first I want to thank you all for working hard with your student at home. In doing their daily reading log and working on the acadience reading and math study packets. Keep working on those reading logs and study packets,. Middle of the year testing is coming around the corner.

PLEASE remember that attendance is very important. We are starting to dive deep into first grade content in reading, math, and writing. So, your students attendance is very important.

Also, please have your students come to school in warm clothing. It is getting colder each day.

Lastly, I love having your student in my class. They are making academic growth each day they come to school. Let me know if you have any questions.

Ms. Begay

Important Dates:

Nov 2nd - Daylight savings Time

11th - Veterans Day (NO SCHOOL)

26th-28th - Thanksgiving Break

2nd Grade November Newsletter 2025

2nd grade students and families,

We are already to November! This year is flying by! A few things I would like to remind each of you as the weather is changing and we are working hard here at school.

Please have your child bring a coat if they have one. The weather is unpredictable sometimes and we would like them to play outside as much as possible!

Another thing we are working hard at improving our reading and math skills. Please, please encourage your child to read at home. This would help their reading tremendously. Also remind them to practice their math facts daily.

These 2nd graders are great kids! I love being their teacher!

Mrs. Brown

November Birthdays

10th - Zayden

11th - Weston

16th - Bailey



Important Dates in November

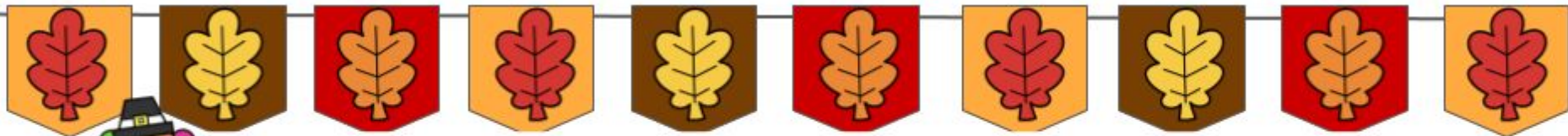
2nd - Daylight Savings Time (turn clocks back 1 hour)

11th - Veterans Day NO SCHOOL

26th-28th - Thanksgiving Break

****November is Heritage Month!!**
Look for activities and for what to wear each day.





Mrs. Richmond's 3rd, 4th, and 5th ELA

Dear Families and Students,

October was great! We had fun celebrating Halloween!

In reading for 5th grade we will continue learning about and writing poetry. Then we will move on to reading Don Quixote.

For reading in fourth grade we will continue working on reading and understanding non-fiction texts, and learning about the Middle Ages in the middle east.

In reading for 3rd grade this month we will be working on reading and understanding nonfiction texts. We are learning about the human body.

Each grade also has spelling words that students should be practicing every week. Finally, please make sure your child is reading 20 minutes every day! Bring the reading log back for a prize!

Mrs. Richmond



November

- 11th Veterans Day
- 10th - Happy Birthday **Mason!**
- 19th - Happy Birthday **Mirra!**
- 26-28th Thanksgiving Break



3rd/4th/5th Grade November Newsletter- Mrs. Wallis'

Students and Families,,

Students, day after day you amaze me with your willingness to learn and the ability to persevere through hard concepts. I cannot let this month go by without thanking you all for your hard work and dedication to continue your education. You are the best!!

-Mrs. Wallis

GRATEFUL



Important Dates in November:

- **November is Heritage Month** -look for the announcement showing the activities and what traditional items to wear each day!
- **4th-7th-** Ballet West for 4th/5th grades
- **2nd -** Daylight Savings Time-***turn clocks back 1 hour**
- **11th -** Veterans Day - No School
- **26nd-24th -** Thanksgiving Break - No School



5th grade MATH: This next month we will be working on multiplying and dividing whole numbers, then move onto adding and subtracting fractions. In science, they will be learning about the distribution of the earth's water and how weathering and erosion can change the earth's surface over time.

4th grade MATH: We will be learning how to compose, decompose, and compare Fraction. In science, We will also be continuing to learn how plants and animals survive using their adaptations.

3rd grade MATH: We learned how to model multiplication and division, Now we will be applying those concepts to solve larger 1 digit problems and then how to multiply and divide up to the number 10. In science, We will finish up learning how weather affects an area and design solutions to help minimize the damage it causes. Then onto how plants use their traits for survival.

Native American Heritage Month is celebrated each November to honor the rich history, diverse cultures, and significant contributions of Native Americans and Alaska Natives. This observance is a time to recognize and appreciate the enduring traditions, vibrant cultures, and unique languages that have shaped the United States' history. It also serves as an opportunity to raise awareness about the challenges Native communities continue to face and to support efforts that promote cultural preservation. Throughout the month, educational events, cultural programs, and community activities highlight the achievements, stories, and resilience of Indigenous peoples.

NaVisiting Royalties

MVHS-Ut. Whiyuni Perez, WHS-MIBT, Katiana Benn, Miss Utah Navajo, Dayheona Yazzie, TES Princesses, and Natemyuss Morgan,



*Navajo Nation Marines Corp Princess
-Takori Littlehat*

Heritage Language

Bluff Elementary Pageant 2025



*Princess: Shianaya Benally
1st Attendant: Konoha Yamamoto
2nd Attendant: Mi'Lyiah Bellison*

Upcoming Events for HL

Nov. 2	Daylights Saving Time-turn back an hour
Nov. 6	MZC Pageant (Lyroydin and Shianaya)
Nov. 11	Veterans Day- No School
Nov. 12	Four Corners Regional Health Center
	Red Mesa-HL Dancers/Singers
Nov. 26-28	Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 5	Navajo Santa Performance at BLF Community Ctr-(Private Event)



Nitch'its'ósi 2025

Native American Month Bluff Elementary School



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hair Bun day 3 	Másani Scarf 4 	Jewelry Day 5 	Rock your Mocs 6 	Traditional Attire 7 
Ribbon Skirt/shirt 10 	NO school Happy Veterans Day 11 	Family Military Branch 12 	Rock your Mocs 13 	Camouflage Day 14 
What is your Clan? 17 	Hair bun/braids Day 18 	Beaded Medallion Day 19 	Rock your Mocs 20 	Ribbon Skirt Day 21 
SPAM Attire 24 	Native Designed Tee Shirts 25 	26 ← No School Happy Tǎzhii Day!!! →	27	28