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Welcome to November!

This school year seems to be flying by so quickly. It is hard to believe that we are in November already.

Of course, when we think November, we automatically think veterans and Thanksgiving. We have so much to be thankful for; for men and women who are willing to serve our country in ways we cannot, to being thankful for the simple things, like a warm bed and a full belly. It is also Family Engagement Month.

To that end, our school wide parent involvement will focus on what we are grateful for.

If your student has decided to do this month's parent involvement, they received a Gratitude Journal. For the month of November, we are asking that you and your student record what you are grateful for. Your student can have as many family members record what they are thankful for, as well as recording some of the activities you do as a family. You can record recipes you made together, trips you took, homework you worked on together. The journal is a place to record those things that bring us joy.

Here is a list of sample activities that you can record in your journal. These cozy indoor ideas are perfect for any Thanksgiving celebration, especially if the weather keeps you inside. These are just a few of the things you can do throughout the month.

1. **Create Thanksgiving Handprint Turkeys**
   A classic Thanksgiving craft that's simple and sweet—ideal for toddlers and preschoolers developing motor skills.
2. **Host a Family Talent Show**
   Let each family member perform something fun, like jokes, songs, dances or skits. Bonus points for themed acts (like turkey impressions)!
3. **Make a Thankful Tree**
   Set up a DIY tree on the wall or with branches in a vase and let everyone write what they're thankful for on leaves.
4. **Have a "Thanksgiving Family Feud"**
   Split into teams and play a Thanksgiving-themed version of the classic board game.
5. **Decorate the Kid Table**
   Let the kids take over decorating their table with DIY placemats, coloring pages and mini centerpieces.
6. **Bake Thanksgiving-Themed Cookies**
   Turn sugar cookies into turkeys, leaves, or Christmas tree shapes with icing and sprinkles.
7. **Watch the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade**
   Make it a morning tradition with snacks and cozy blankets on the couch.
8. **Do a Thanksgiving Puzzle Together**
   Choose one with a seasonal theme and work on it as a group all day.

Those who turn in the Gratitude Journal by November 30th will receive 10 LiveSchool points. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out of us. We'll be happy to help.

Thank you,