Dear First Grade Families,

We had a great time on our field trip! We explored all of the signs and beauty of autumn. Halloween is coming up next!

**Halloween:** On Monday, October 31st, the children will be invited to bring a costume to school. Please send it in a bag in their backpack. Please no gory or too scary costumes at school and no “weapons” are allowed. There will be a Halloween parade through the high school gym at 2:00. You are welcome to join us down at the High School gym at 2:00. When we return to the classroom the children will watch a short Halloween video. If you would like to send in a treat for the class to have on that day please let me know. I like to have a variety of sweet treats, healthy foods (fruits, vegetables, cheese and crackers), and juice! We will enjoy our treats before the parade!

**Language Arts:** The first grade is working hard on writing sentences with capitals and ending punctuation. It is important that they begin to do this every time! We will be working on this all year long. We have a new reading strategy! “Stretchy Snake” is our new reading strategy. The children must stretch through unknown words quickly and thing what would make sense!

**Math:** We finished up our Go Math! Chapter 1 on beginning addition strategies this week. Next week we will begin Chapter 2 on beginning subtraction strategies.

**Social Studies:** We continue to talk about families in Social Studies. Please send in a family photo with your child for them to share with the class!

Have a great week! myetter@alansonvikings.net