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Monday, November 9
End of First Trimester

Tuesday, November 10
Veteran's Day Program 9:30am
PTO Meeting 6:15-8:00pm

Wednesday, November 11
No School-Veteran's Day

Thursday, November 12
All School Sing 2:30pm

November 17-19
Parent/Guardian Conferences 1:15 dismissals
School Committee Meeting Nov 17th 7:00pm

Change in Lunch Menu

Please be advised there was an error in the lunch menu, on November 10th the lunch will be:

Italian herb chicken, quick baked potato, green beans, wg roll w/butter, fresh apple & milk

There is no school on November 11th
Veterans Day observed



VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

We would like to invite family members of our veterans, parents / guardians and community members to join us in honoring our veterans on November 10th at 9:30am. Our assembly will include students escorting our honored guests to the gym, the Pledge of Allegiance, a performance by our chorus, as well as various other selections that will honor our guests.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

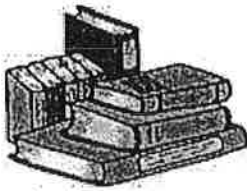
Thanksgiving Dinner



Thursday, November 19th will be our annual Thanksgiving dinner for staff and students and we will need your help setting tables, serving, and clean up.

Any time you can give us will be greatly appreciated. If you would like to volunteer, please call the school at
413 423-3326

Remember, this dinner can't happen without help from our volunteers!



FAIR Storytelling Night

November 18th is the last chance to attend "Family Adventures in Reading".

This series of special events with renowned storyteller Mary Jo Maichack is particularly for 1st through 4th grades, but all are welcome. A free family-friendly supper is included.

Great Falls Middle School Tours

Great Falls Middle School will be offering building tours to prospective families during their parent conferences on November 12th and 13th.

Anyone interested can call the Great Falls Middle School office at
413-863-7300

Parent Conferences

Parent/guardian conferences will take place on Tuesday, November 17th, Wednesday, November 18th and Thursday November 19th. We would like to remind you that students will be dismissed at 1:15

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Parent/Guardian Conferences

Parent/Guardian conferences are being held on November 17 (Tuesday), November 18 (Wednesday) and November 19 (Thursday). There is a 1:15 pm dismissal time on each of those conference days. The After School Program is offering services for families on each of those days. The following special tuition rates will apply:

*Parents who sign up for ALL three days get a reduced total rate of \$34.00.

*Parents who sign up for TWO of those three days get a reduced total rate of \$24.00.

*Parents who sign up for ONE day, pay the normal daily amount of \$13.50.

The After School Program ends at 5:30 pm, but parents/guardians can pick up their child anytime before 5:30 pm.

In order for your child to attend these after school sessions, a registration form and payment are needed before your child can participate. If you have not filled out a form for this year, you may pick one up at the school office.

Please feel free to send in payment with your child's name and the days you are interested in having your child participate in the After School Program. You may contact me at any time at Mitchell@erving.com or 781-697-0011.

Thank you
Stephanie Mitchell



News From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,

We had an incredible turnout on Tuesday evening for our preschool 'Monkey Around' night. Over 60 people were in attendance across both preschool classes. Thank you parents, grandparents, and family members for supporting the educational opportunities for our youngest students. Your commitment to your child demonstrates to them and our staff how much you value their work. Students were engrossed in a wide variety of monkey-based activities, drama, and of course food ☺. Thank you Mary Glabach, Jaime Parse, Andrea Elson, Julie Wheeler, Kerri Lapointe, Samantha Brook, and Mackensy Bailey for putting this event together.

Just a gentle reminder! With parent conferences coming up on November 17, 18, and 19, please take a moment to talk with your child around what they expect you to hear during their conference. It is a wonderful opportunity for you to spend some quality time talking with your child about their educational progress, and how you can be of support to them, especially around reading, writing and math. We hope to have 100% turnout across all grades. I look forward to seeing you.

While on the subject of academic progress, we are rolling out a series of evening math workshops and events aimed at providing math support for parents, guardians and students. We will start sending home notices with students as we establish the dates. Please connect with your classroom teacher to discuss your questions and areas of math where you and your child would like to see additional support, or just general information. We want to keep these evenings relaxed and enjoyable, introducing fun ways to learn.

An exciting, enjoyable way to learn math is through the use of technology. Our S.T.E.M. After School Academy workshops, presented by Tom Smith, Director of Technology, run twice a week for 6 weeks, three times a year, and they are free! We even provide a late bus on these nights. Registration is required, and seats are on a first come basis.

Over the course of the next month you will begin to see a lot of information about our **FREE breakfast and lunch program** beginning on January 4, 2016. Thank you if you have already completed our survey and returned it. I would like to see 100% response so that we can be well informed about what we need to order, thus helping reduce food waste. Please take a couple of minutes to complete and return the survey. There are additional copies in our lobby and at the office. Please stop by the office to chat with me if you would like more information, or have any suggestions for us.

It is looking like the weather will continue to be on the warmer side for our Veterans Day celebration on Tuesday 10th at 9:30am. Have a safe, relaxing, and enjoyable weekend.

Sincerely,


Jim Trill



First Grade News!

Our class made kale chips. Mrs. Black picked kale. We put oil on the kale. We baked it in the oven. We put cheese on the chips and we ate with our fingers. It tasted so so good! I like to cook food with my friends.

- Nolyn

First graders make pizza. We picked chard and onions and leeks. We put the vegetables in the oven. Mrs. Black put the vegetables in the blender. I tasted the sauce and I did not like it. After we cooked the pizza, we ate it. We ate it outside. I liked it. The sauce we made was awesome!

- Lorelai

Our class made sandwiches. They had ingredients that were from our garden. They were swiss chard, garlic, onion, and leek. We cooked pesto sauce with our vegetables. We blended it and then put it on bread. Then we ate it with grade 2. It was great!

- Alexis

Our class had a apple tasting test. We tried 6 different kinds of apples. They were from Vermont. We said a number. If you don't like it we put a 1. If you like it a little you put a 2. If we like it a lot we put a three. We put the numbers together to see what apple we like the most. Our class loved the apple tasting test.

- Kristen

Our class is making pumpkin pie. I like pumpkin pie because there is cinnamon. How to make pumpkin pie: You need cinnamon and bread and pumpkins. Then you need to roast the pumpkin. You need to mix the ingredients. Then you eat it and smile because it tastes so so good. I like to cook food from the farm. We've been cooking sometimes and I like it!

- Derek

Our class has a school garden. Teachers in grade 1 and grade 2 and grade 5 planted seeds. Vegetables grew. We got to pick vegetables like cherry tomatoes and swiss chard. We eat vegetables because it is good for you. We cook the vegetables together. We do know what's in our food if it comes from nearby. I like that we have a garden.

- Shylah

Our class is learning to make popcorn from the garden. We have to take the corn off the cob. We watch the corn pop into popcorn. When it is done we are going to eat it. It's going to be so so delicious. We watched a video about popcorn. I like learning about popcorn.

- Brayden

Our class is making farm to school food. First people plant. Next you harvest. After you harvest, you can cook. After you cook, your class can eat the food you made. Some of your class friends might like it. Some of your class friends might not like the food, because it might be too hot, or too cold, or too cheesy. First grade and kindergarten planted food in the garden. Then first graders harvest. They cooked the things they picked. It was nice to make the food with my friends.

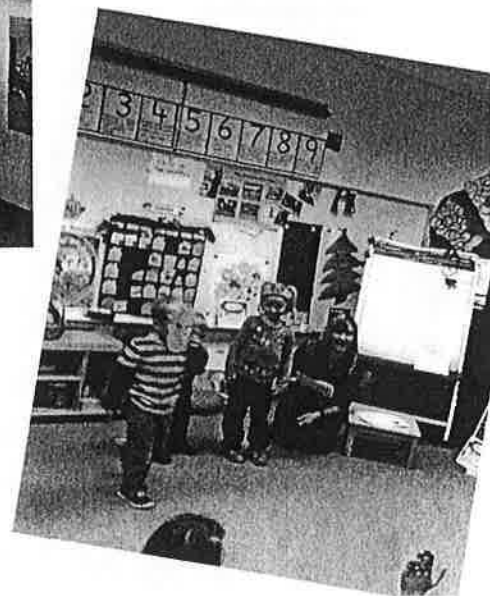
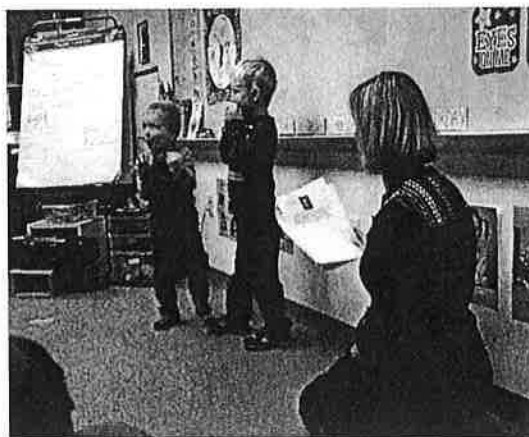
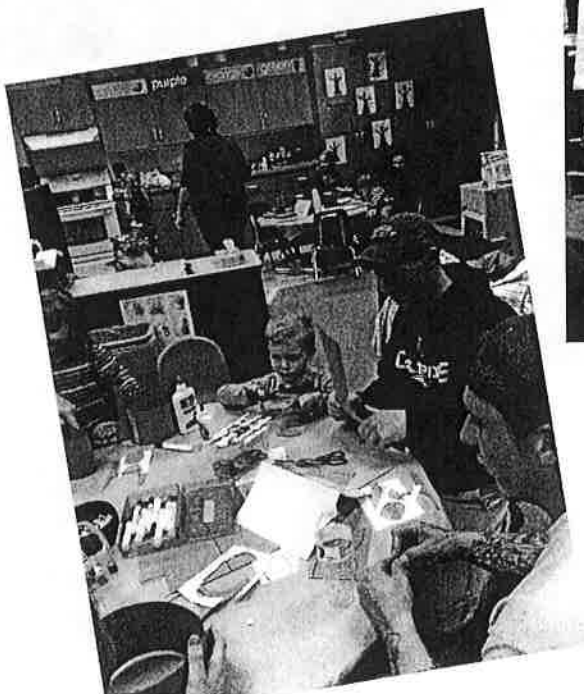
- Leeanna

We are incredibly happy to announce our very own Farm to School Program for first graders this year. We plan to collaborate with local farmers, food purveyors, and educators to help lead our community in building awareness for and knowledge of eating locally. Kids are thrilled to be learning about how food gets to their plate!

Early Childhood Family Engagement "Monkey Around" Night

On Tuesday night, November 3rd, the Early Childhood Preschool Team hosted a "Monkey Around" Night for over fifty people. The event promoted early literacy and building school community!

The families met first in the cafeteria for pizza, salad, and good conversation. The families then went to the preschool classrooms for stories and activities that included make-it take crafts, math and literacy activities connected to "Five Little Monkeys Jumping On The Bed". Andrea Elson, Speech and Language Pathologist, talked to the families about "Drama Time" and the preschoolers acted out monkey stories they had told Mrs. Elson. The evening ended with monkey bread and monkey fruit! We are looking forward to more of these evenings soon!







SHARPEN YOUR MATH SKILLS WORKING WITH TECHNOLOGY?



Come join our amazing...

AFTER SCHOOL ACADEMY!

Beginning November 10, Erving Elementary School is offering an opportunity for students in grades 3-6 to be immersed in a technology-based learning environment. Students will be introduced to a variety of S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) projects to help them solve challenging questions about our environment.

Who is eligible?: All students need is a willingness to learn.

Transportation: Provided to specific locations in Erving (Bus will depart EES at 4:30pm and make stops at Prondecki's and the Town Hall).

Dates: Tuesday and Thursday every week

Session 1: November 10 – December 17

Session 2: January 12 – February 25

Session 3: April 26 – June 02

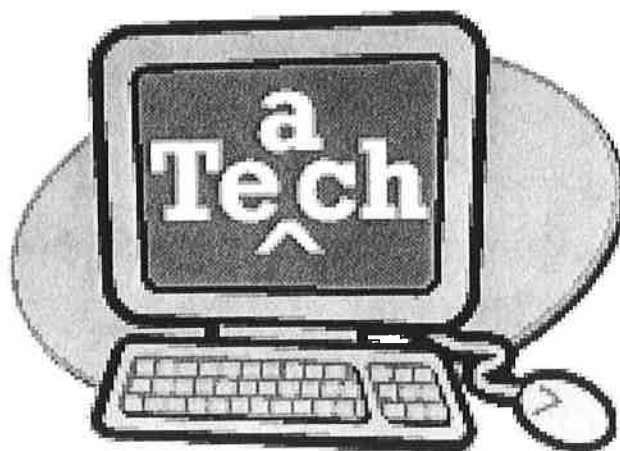
*** There is no cost.**

Time: 3:15 – 4:15pm

Place: EES

Phone: 413-423-3326

Organizer: Tom Smith



Program open to first 15 applicants. Applications can be picked up at the school office, or sent home with student (at the request of parent or guardian). Or online at www.erving.com.

ERVING ELEMENTARY AFTER SCHOOL ACADEMY REGISTRATION FORM 2015-2016
(Rolling registration until all seats are filled)

Child's Name _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

DOB _____ AGE _____ GRADE _____

Home Phone Number _____ Cell Phone _____

Parent/Guardian Work Number _____ Emergency Number _____

Physician _____ Phone _____

Physician's Address _____

Does your child take medication? _____ Type of medication _____

Does your child have allergies? _____ Type of allergies _____

Does your child have dietary needs? _____ Specify the needs _____

Any additional needs that the staff should be aware of? _____ Please Explain _____

My child, _____, should ride the bus, and be dropped at the following location:

_____ Prondecki's store, West High Street, Erving

_____ Erving Town Hall, East Main St. (corner High St. / Rt. 2), Erving

Please check off the After School Academy Session(s) your child would like to attend:

☐ Session 1 ☐ Session 2 ☐ Session 3

EMERGENCY PICK-UP INFORMATION (IF YOU CANNOT BE REACHED)

1. Name _____

Phone _____

Relationship _____

2. Name _____

Phone _____

Relationship _____

Please list people your child may be released to:

Please list people your child MAY NOT be released to:

EMERGENCY PERMISSION

I give permission for my child, _____, to participate in all activities that are part of the Erving After School Academy. I give permission for the After School Academy staff to attend to any emergency that may occur during the session and seek medical attention, if necessary. I understand that if I cannot be reached, the staff will contact one of the emergency names I have listed.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Union #28 Family Café Nights for Families of Children with Special Needs

2015-2016 Schedule

Co-Sponsored by the *Erving School Union #28 Special Education Parent Advisory Council* and *Community Network for Children Program*



Wednesdays from 6-7:30pm

- September 23 – Erving Elementary
- October 21 – Leverett Elementary
- November 18 – Erving Elementary
- January 20 – Leverett Elementary
- February 24 – Erving Elementary
- March 16 – Leverett Elementary
- May 18 – Erving Elementary

Come Join Us!

We are offering a parent facilitated group for all parents/guardians living in Erving, Leverett, New Salem, Shutesbury and Wendell who would like support in managing day to day with their young children. Does your child have a diagnosed or un-diagnosed special need? Do you find it challenging to find someone you can talk to who understands what you are going through? Take part in discussions and get connected!

This group will be designed to focus around the needs of the child/family in the home environment. We will connect to provide informational resources and emotional support and networking. Families with children not yet in school and in elementary school are welcome.

If you have questions please use the following Union #28 Contacts:

- o **SEPAC Parent Contact**, Erica Wise spryngtree@yahoo.com / 413-367-9771
- o **CNC Program Coordinator**, Gillian Budine Budine@erving.com / 978-544-5157
- o **Director of Student Support Services**, Prudence Marsh marsh@erving.com / 413-423-3331

Preregistration required if child care is needed.

Please contact Gillian, CNC Coordinator, at 978-544-5157 with the following information:

- Name and phone #
- If you need child care (MUST respond with the following info if you are using child care)
 - o Age(s) of child(ren), # of child(ren), if there are special considerations for child care. We try our best, but at times may not be able to meet all needs due to staffing.

Supported with funds from the CFCE grant through the Department of Early Education and Care and the Union #28 Special Education Parent Advisory Council.



Union #28 Schools Community Network for Children PROGRAM SCHEDULE September 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016



Call 978-544-5157 for more info or find us on

All programs suitable for newborns through preschool age.

Combination of free play, music, movement, books, and nursery rhymes at all programs!

Come join us!

	MONDAY Shutesbury TALES & TUNES 9:30 to 11:00am Katie T.	TUESDAY New Salem PLAYGROUP 8:45 to 10:15am Emily J.	WEDNESDAY Erving PLAYGROUP 10:00 to 11:30am Emily J.	WEDNESDAY Wendell PLAYGROUP 10:00 to 11:30am Sylvia W.	WEDNESDAY Leverett TALES & TUNES 10:30 to 12:00am Heleen C.	FRIDAY Shutesbury PLAYGROUP 9:00-10:30am Gillian & Joie	SUNDAY Erving Family Playtime 10:00-11:30 Gillian & Joie
SEPT	14, 21, 28	15, 22, 29	16, 23, 30	9, 16, 23, 30	9, 16, 23, 30	18, 25	20
OCT	5, 19, 26	6, 13, 20, 27	7, 14, 21, 28	7, 14, 21, 28	7, 14, 21, 28	2, 9, 16, 30	18
NOV	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	3, 10, 17, 24	4, 18	4, 18	4, 18	6, 13, 20	22
DEC	7, 14, 21	1, 8, 15, 22	2, 9, 16	2, 9, 16	2, 9, 16	NONE	13
JAN	4, 11, 25	5, 12, 19, 26	6, 13, 20, 27	6, 13, 20, 27	6, 13, 20, 27	8, 15, 22, 29	24
FEB	1, 8, 22, 29	2, 9, 23	3, 10, 24	3, 10, 17, 24	3, 10, 17, 24	5, 12, 26	28
MARCH	7, 14, 21, 28	1, 8, 15, 22, 29	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	4, 11, 18, 25	20
APRIL	4, 11, 25	5, 12, 26	27	6, 13, 20, 27	6, 13, 20, 27	1, 8, 15, 29	10
MAY	2, 9, 16, 23	3, 10, 17, 24, 31	4, 11, 18, 25	4, 11, 18, 25	4, 11, 18, 25	13, 20, 27	22
JUNE	6, 13, 20, 27	7	1, 8	1, 8, 15, 22, 29	1, 8, 15, 22, 29	NONE	5
	M.N. Spear Memorial Library 10 Cooleyville Rd Shutesbury, MA 413-259-1213	Swift River School 201 Wendell Road New Salem, MA 978-544-5157 (CNC Office #)	Erving Elementary School 28 Northfield Road Erving, MA 413-423-3326	Wendell Library 7 Wendell Depot Rd Wendell, MA 978-544-3559	Leverett Library 75 Montague Road Leverett, MA 413-548-9220	Shutesbury Elementary School 23 West Pelham Road Shutesbury, MA 413-259-1212	

Please note: Ongoing programs may not occur during school vacations or holidays. Please check the schedule. If inclement weather is a concern, call the CNC office for message update, check Facebook or the CNC Website for info.



These programs are supported in part by grant funds from The Massachusetts Department of Early Education.

These programs are also supported by the Friends of the M.N. Spear Memorial Library, Friends of the Leverett Library, Friends of the Wendell Free Library, Shutesbury Elementary School, Erving Elementary School, Swift River School, and donations from friends in the community.

8/14/2015

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Holiday Bazaar

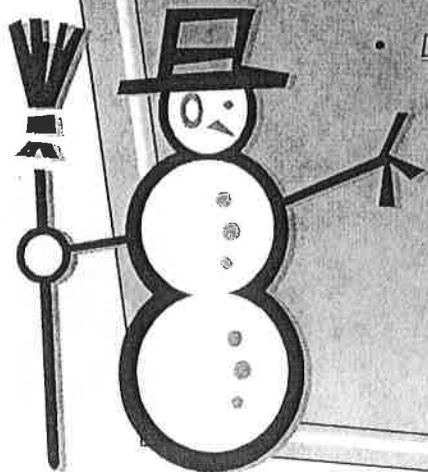
Accepting Donations

For the month of November, the 6th grade will be accepting donations of items for the 6th Grade Holiday Bazaar. We are looking for new and gently used small household items and toys, as well as wrapping paper and gift bags.

These items will be sold to E.E.S. students in December during the bazaar. Students will have an opportunity with their class to purchase items at a small price (\$.25, \$.50 and up). Proceeds will be used to fund the 6th Grade class trip to New York City later this year.

- Donations may be dropped in the lobby.

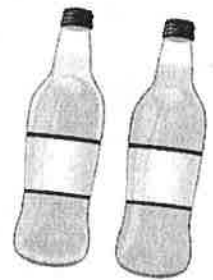
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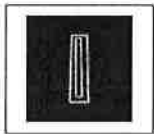
Can & Bottle Drive



Help support
The Erving Elementary 6th Grade
NY City Trip in June 2016



The 6th grade will be running an ongoing
can & bottle drive throughout the school
year.



Anyone wishing to donate their cans &
bottles to this cause can call:

Eric Myren at 413-423-3755

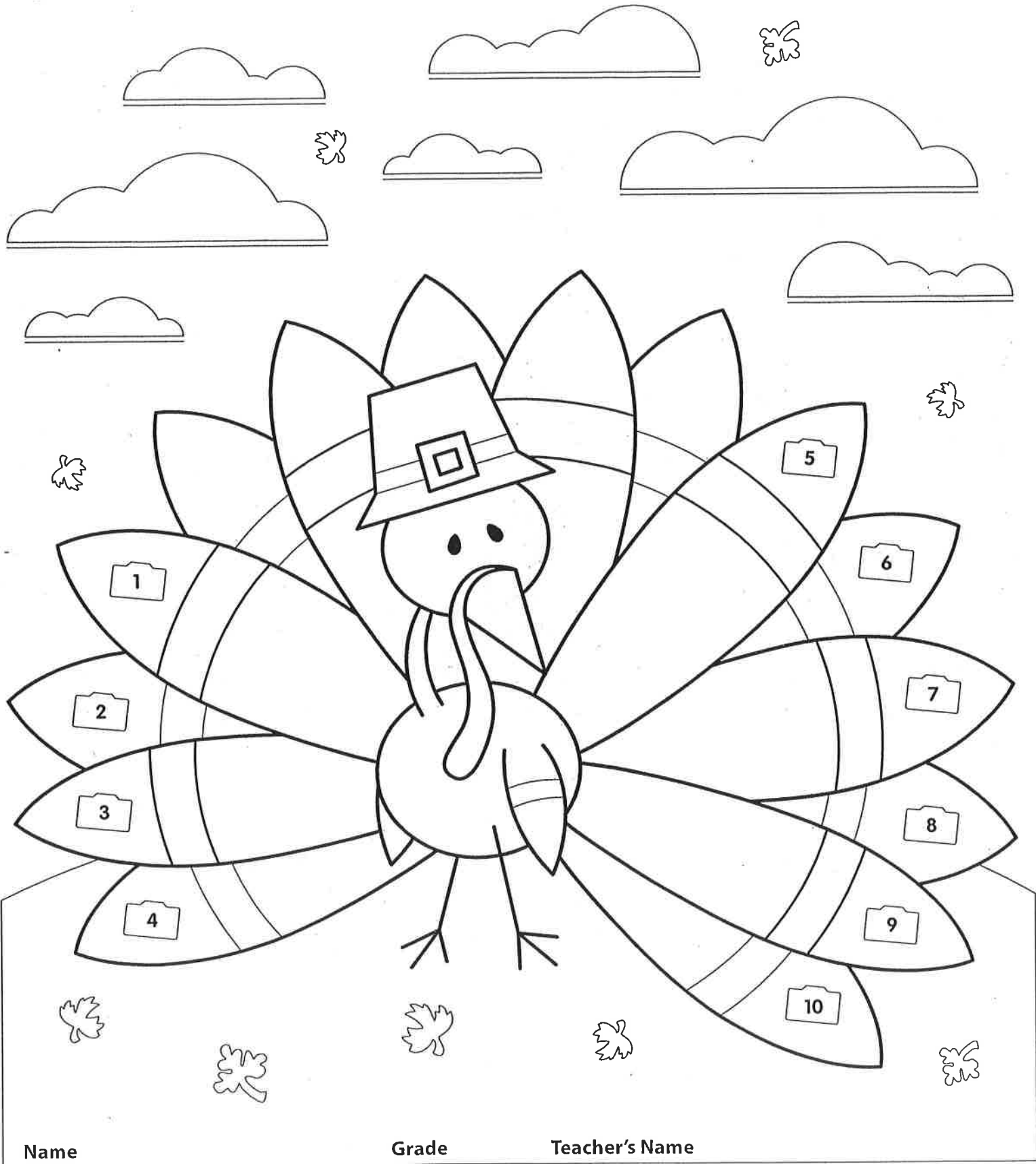


He will arrange for drop off or pick up.
Please do not drop off at the school.





It's turkey time! Show your school how thankful you are with 10 Box Tops.



Thank you for helping! Every Box Top you collect is worth 10¢ for your school.
For more collection worksheets and projects, go to www.boxtops4education.com/activitycenter

