

# Weekly wrap-up



November 20, 2020

## A Message From Kathy:

### My Gratitude List,

1st grade math wizards making number sentences, 2nd Grade "Where is Turkey?" stories, 3rd grade practicing mindfulness during Yoga enrichment, 4th grade diving into their Island of the Blue Dolphin novel study are all things that I am thankful for. Simple, day-to-day learning, excitement, creativity and engagement of scholars and educational specialists "AT" school, are what I am thankful for. We have the privilege of in-person, purposeful instruction because you have made sacrifices and entrusted the care of your child's heart, mind and education to us, that I am thankful for. While many in our communities, surrounding areas, nation and world are struggling with access to education and how to engage students and families, we are fifty three days into the vision and hope we partnered with you to create, that I am thankful for.

Thanksgiving may look different this year in who is or is not gathered around our tables and traditions that may or may not be practiced but I hold steadfast to the intent of the season and that is to give thanks for the blessings and partnerships of the year. Beyond the love and health of my family and friends, being a part of the Academy team is what I am most thankful for this year. Hearing laughter, answering inquiry, celebrating mastery, stretching learning goals, seeing kids be kids, in school, together, is what I am thankful for.

Best wishes for joy filled Thanksgiving holiday and vacation!

Blessings,

Kathy



## Important Reminder:

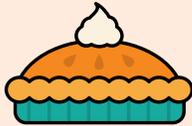
Our Academy Holiday Service Learning Project begins the week of **November 30th**. We are excited to partner with CASA for Kids, bringing joy to area foster children this holiday season.

Looking forward to working on this meaningful outreach as a team!

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## 1st Annual Academy Friendsgiving

**\*\*This Monday November 23rd\*\***

**12:00pm - 1:15pm**



"We are looking forward to celebrating in community with our special family recipes. Have fun mixing some science and math as you cook such as 1st grade scholar Ruckus's favorite mashed potatoes. Potatoes are a solid, mix in milk, a liquid, add butter, a solid, and you get... mashed potatoes! At what temperature, does water boil? How much time does it take for the potatoes to cook? Dishes can be dropped off in the morning or before 11:45am. Please note that while we can plug in crock pots or warming containers we do not have access to ovens. We are "THANKFUL" for Emily Barry and her team of parents who are working to create a special atmosphere for our gatherings.



3rd grade scholars and Miss Alicia practicing mindfulness during Yoga Enrichment



3rd Grade Scholars Hugo and Andrew thinking, designing and building!

### Mark Your Calendars:

- Friendsgiving: Nov 23rd
- Thanksgiving Break: Nov 25th - 27th
- 4th Grade Field Trip to Mission SJC: Tues Dec 8th
- Winter Break: Dec 21st - Jan 1st

