

## October 2020

- 01: Curriculum Night - 5:00 - 6:00 via Zoom
- 05: Parent Teacher Conference (PTC) via Zoom
- 05: NWEA Testing begins
- 07: Count Day - Students will receive A SPECIAL Treat
- 08 Drive thru - School Supply Give Away - All teachers will be there With *Free treats* 1:00 - 3:00
- 08: PBIS Celebration with Mr. G
- 15: Hispanic Celebration 8:00 via Zoom. Link will be posted on website
- 20: PAE Board Meeting-4:30
- 31: City of Pontiac Public Harvest Celebration

Dear Parents,

Thank you for doing your part in keeping students engaged in the online platform! We are so grateful for the sacrifices you have made to ensure your scholar is logged in. While we have several exciting events in the month of October, we want to make sure you are aware of the upcoming **NWEA** test the weeks of **October 5 -15, 2020**. NWEA MAP Growth tests adapt to your child's responses to measure their skill level. Since MAP Growth tests provide immediate and accurate information about your child's learning, it's easy for teachers to identify students with similar scores that are generally ready for instruction in similar skills and topics, and then plan instruction accordingly.

We are expecting 100% participation online and 1.5 years' worth of growth in Reading and Math and the data will support our efforts to maximize our students potential. Listed below are a few things parents can do to make this educational experience as positive, productive, and supportive of our district goal of 1.5 years worth of growth in Reading and Math.

1. Be on time. *Being late 10 minutes each day can equal a loss of 30 hours of instruction in a year*
2. Make sure you set aside time to do **homework**
3. **Read** to your child or have them read to you
4. Make sure your scholar gets 8-9 hours a night
5. Make sure students have a quiet place to work

Thank you, parents, for being absolutely amazing. We are so grateful to serve you and your family

Sincerely,

Pamela Williams

**Elementary Principal**

## K- 5 Curriculum Resources

### Bedtime Math

The app: Our whole archive of [math problems](#), with colorful animations and cool sound effects. Check it out here at the [App Store](#) for iPhone and iPad, [Google Play](#) for Android!

Its ts a FREE reading App



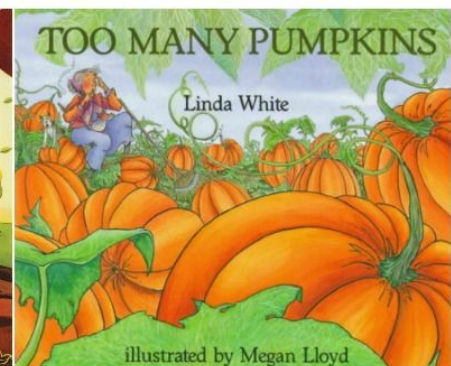
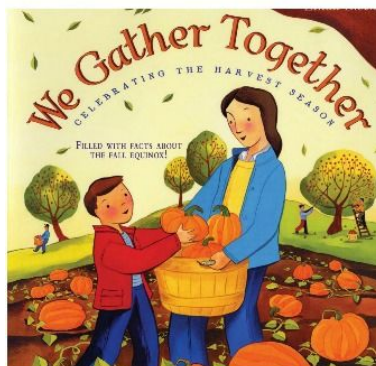
Book Riot has recommended this for downloading audiobooks straight from local libraries. It also has an extensive children's audiobook section, which will make for good bedtime reading or car listening

### [Learning the Alphabet Games](#)

<https://www.learninggamesforkids.com/alphabet-games.html>



# GREAT BOOKS TO READ WITH YOUR KIDS IN October



### [Bembo's Zoo](#)

Students watch letters turned into animals

*Pontiac Academy for Excellence Elementary*  
*School Newsletter* - **THE SOARING EAGLE 2020**

