

Room 11 News



Summit Street School

Essex Junction, Vermont

Important Dates

Flu Shot Clinic	Nov. 5
We share at Assembly!	Nov. 19
Parent Conferences	Nov. 23 Nov. 24
Thanksgiving	Nov. 26

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Social Studies

Last year's study of community focused on the children learning about the unifying aspects of school and family life. With our class being "the laboratory" they were able to understand the concept of rules, fairness, problem solving, and decision making. The foundation was laid for social studies inquiry.

Our long term goal for this year is to develop an understanding of "community." The children will be introduced to the domains of social studies (history, physical geography, cultural geography, civics, government, society, and economics) through the lens of their community of Essex Junction.

We have just started our study of



Community

Our children have already identified what they think are Essex Junction's most important buildings; their houses! During writers' workshop our young authors are writing about their homes and then portraying them artistically with the technique of crayon resist.

Parent Conferences

The schedule for parent-teacher conferences is set for Monday, November 23rd and Tuesday, November 24th. You will find a reminder or an invitation to meet with me in your child's Friday folder.

Essex Junction by identifying the important buildings in a community and have categorized them into public and private places.

Next week we will be walking the streets of Essex Junction looking for and taking pictures of some of the village's landmark buildings (both public and private). These walkabouts are scheduled for Monday and Wednesday afternoons, weather permitting.

Everyday Math

The children have successfully completed the first two units in math and are just beginning the third.

Unit 3 of Everyday Math continues the review and extension of topics introduced in First Grade Everyday Mathe-

tics. The children will get reacquainted with place value in 2-digit and 3-digit numbers and will work with coin values and exchanges among coins. They will also practice telling time and writing time in digital notation. Some energy will also be spent

gathering and analyzing data.

Thank you for all the effort you put into helping your child with the math homelinks. They are great reinforcement for the concepts being worked on during your child's school day.