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Hello! It was very nice to talk with all of you at the conferences the last couple of weeks. Please don't hesitate to give us a call if you have any more questions or concerns. We're flying through November. This week will be a "normal" week and then the following week, we'll be here on Monday and Tuesday only, with the rest of the week off for Thanksgiving break.

We read a story last week from our LA book called "Ranger Dockett." He's a New York City park ranger who does many things to protect the parks. This week, we're reading "Around the Pond" about a brother and sister and the things they see on a walk through nature. Our bonus spelling words this week all go with our story. They are *around, pond, edge & shallow*. We finished some nice poems which we put up outside the room and we're planning on writing our second pen pal letter this week.

We skipped around a bit in our new math section. We're still working on measurement and shapes. It's a short section. There will be math homework dealing with perimeter on Mon. and Tues., followed by a test later in the week. Our next section will be all about solving different types of story problems.

After concentrating mostly on language arts and math, we're going to start to do some social studies. We'll begin with a unit on map skills which will lead into a study of the continents. We're starting out with some basic directions and will slowly get into more advanced topics.

We were very lucky to see some great tall tale plays last week. They were put on by the 5th grade and among the stars were Summer's brother, Addy's sister and Mariah's brother.

This week's student of the week is **John Habekost!** Last week's winner was **Benny Binder!** Great job guys, keep up the good work.

Please remember string instruments on Monday and library books on Fridays.

Have a nice week!

Chip and Jayne