

# NEWSLETTER

### Important Upcoming Dates:

- 11/5 **No School** - Election Day
- 11/7 & 11/8 **No School** Teacher Convention
- 11/14 **4th Grade Career Day**
- 11/15 **Spirit Friday**
- 11/20 **CRS Visits the PTO Book Fair**
- 11/21 **LLE Visits the PTO Book Fair**

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### Fire Prevention Assembly

On Friday, October 18th, the Demarest Fire Department spoke to the students at CRS and LLE about fire safety.

They discussed having a meeting place outside of the house in case of a fire and precautions you can take in the house. The children were able to practice stop drop and roll, see a fire truck and even spray the hose. The children had a great time!

**Thank you to the Demarest Fire Department**



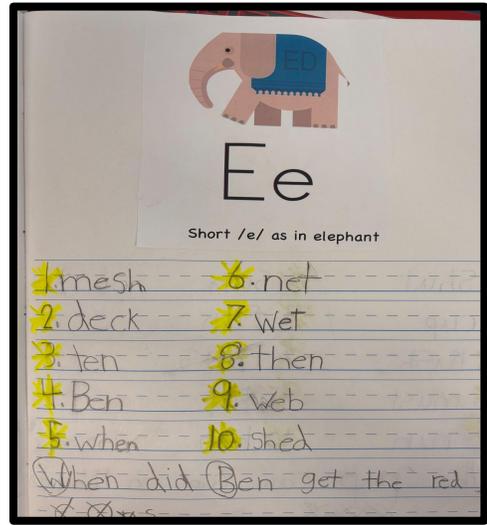
## Mr. Marc Visits LLE

Mr. Marc visited with our second and fourth grade classes in October. Our 2nd graders learned about the animals that he cares for at the Closter Nature Center and our 4th graders learned about the rocks and minerals that are local to our area.



## Spotlight on First Grade

First graders are embracing their Phonics First program. This multisensory approach to phonics starts every lesson with our "three -part drill" which consists of visual, auditory, and blending practice, where the students identify certain taught sounds, as well as listen to a sound and write the letter it corresponds with. This not only enhances correct letter formation but also improves handwriting. The drill is concluded with a blending drill, where the students practice blending together known sounds to read words. They also incorporate dictation practice where the students get the opportunity to put their letter-sound correspondence to work by writing not only words, but also full sentences! This solid foundation of letter-sound relationships will increase and improve not only their decoding (reading) and encoding (spelling), but also their fluency!





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Dear CRS and LLE Families,

Please note the items below:

- **Halloween Parades:** The students looked absolutely amazing in their costumes! It was great seeing so many families come out to support our annual parades. I would also like to recognize the Demarest Police Department who joined us as well to help keep us safe.
  
- **November Happenings:** We have a lot of fun events and important dates during this month so please mark your calendars
  - 11/5-No School-Parent/Teacher Conferences
  - 11/7 and 11/8-No School-Teacher's Convention
  - 11/11-Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-4:20
  - 11/14-4th Grade Career Day-Click [here](#) for more details
  - 11/18-Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-4:20
  - 11/19-CRS/LLE picture retakes -be sure to tell your school secretary if you want your child to get their picture retaken
  - 11/20-Book Fair for CRS students
  - 11/21-Book Fair for LLE students
  - 11/27-Early Dismissal
    - 12:00-Preschool
    - 12:30-K-4th
  - 11/28-11/29-No School-Thanksgiving

Have a great weekend and Happy November!

Sincerely,

***Mr. Frank J. Mazzini***

Principal