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The beginning of the school year has been a busy month for Sheridan students. The kindergarten, first, second, and third grade classrooms have quickly learned routines and appear to be enjoying their enrichment time.

The kindergartners will be focusing on sequencing the events of the story and understanding the characters. They will also read some humorous Halloween books to develop more of the same literary elements. The kindergartners will also learn that they can read about math as well. Many books such as "A Dog's Day" and "Mr. Pig Earns a Dollar" introduce concepts of time and money in a fun interactive way.

The first graders at Sheridan will begin learning how to research for more information. They will use the information found to write acrostic poems and create a class book. In math, the first grade groups will be problem solving using time and money. Advanced skills such as elapsed time and giving change will be used to build on their strong foundation.

In second grade, the students will focus on writing narratives. They will write narratives about their favorite holiday, making sure to use a main idea sentence, at least 3 supporting events, and a strong closing sentence. In math, the second graders will work on place value to the millions, addition and subtraction with regrouping, multiplication facts, and problem solving which incorporates all of these skills.

October is sure to be an eventful month with many more projects and higher level thinking skills introduced! Ask your child about the word puzzles in the room, for example, what does "dray" mean? Have fun!

