
Prescott Press



From our PTO Presidents

The PTO has been hard at work this year to provide the Prescott students with fun events, wonderful enrichment programs, and the funding for busses for the field trips. Currently we are running the The Kid Stuff Coupon Book fundraiser. The book is \$25 and has hundreds of pages of coupons for local stores and activities. They make a wonderful holiday present. Orders are due November 15th. Upcoming fundraising opportunities include Dutch Mill Bulbs in February and Square 1 Art in March. We will also be sponsoring Prescott Nights at local restaurants where Prescott friends and families can have a night without cooking

or cleaning dishes and support the PTO at the same time. Another way to support the PTO is by paying the PTO dues. If you have not paid them yet, you still can send in the money and receive a Friendship Book.

The PTO has many exciting upcoming events including the Holiday Supper on Thursday, December 19th and Movie Night on Friday January 24th. Events like these are a fun way to spend time with friends and family at school.

The BOKS program is as strong as ever this year. Last year a study was performed during the BOKS program which showed that the students that partici-

pated in BOKS had improved behavior, attention spans and test scores. And they had a great time!

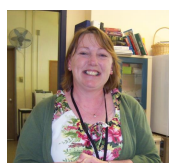
The next PTO meeting is scheduled for Thursday December 5th at 7pm in the cafeteria. Mrs. Killion will discuss last year's MCAS scores. We are always looking for new members. There also will be open board positions for the 2014-2015 school year.

Submitted by Ellie Brady

Welcome Mrs. O'Carroll

Mrs. O'Carroll is our new school nurse who by now you have probably met. Mrs. O'Carroll organized the collecting and packing of the candy we collected after Halloween. Thanks to everyone who helped with

this effort. We filled 34 boxes with candy that will be sent out this week.



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Important Dates

- ☺ November 19th Picture re-take day
- ☺ November 21st All School Field Trip
- ☺ November 27th Movie and PJ Day
- ☺ December 5th PTO
- ☺ December 10th Holiday Store
- ☺ December 13th Holiday Supper 6:30pm
- ☺ December 13th Report Cards
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ENRICHMENT REPORT by Maria Brewer & Regina Sisk

Prescott Enrichment got off to a great start with a school-wide performance by the amazing a cappella group **Ball in the House!** The guys performed some favorite classics and popular new tunes while explaining how each individual voice "instruments" are blended together to make the perfect song mix! They also highlighted the significance of music education and a great message of the importance of supporting friends and peers who participate in the performing arts. The kids responded very enthusiastically! If you haven't yet purchased their new CD "One Night Only" - there is still time to order (email Maria Brewer for more info: brewfly@verizon.net) and 20% of the \$15 price goes directly back to our PTO coffers!

In November we are excited to host the interactive **Now Voyager** program for our 3rd and 4th graders who will be exploring our world and its physical features through the use of 3-D "hands on" maps. Other programs to look forward to later this school year include visits by author **Gregory Mone**, the **New England Aquarium**, **Ms. Money** & a very special **Kites for Kids** program.

Our enrichment programs are supported in part by grants from the Norwood Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. Due to spending cuts, we unfortunately expect to receive less dollars this year than previously from this agency. The remaining funding for these important programs comes directly from our PTO so please participate and donate to our fundraising efforts when possible!

From our Principal Mrs. Killion

We have had a very busy beginning two months of school. The many activities that the PTO has run have been very successful and well attended, Ice cream Social, Back to School Barbecue and most recently the Halloween party. I would like to thank our hard working members of our PTO that organize and volunteer at these activities. The Halloween party had many activities for our students of all ages. It has been brought to my attention that some of our students were not on their best behavior in the gym where the DJ was and some of the smaller children were intimidated by this. It would be my hope that at PTO functions parents or guardians would be responsible for the behavior of their children. We want everyone to enjoy the activity and feel safe doing so.

Our week of wellness activities went very well. Healthy snacks were encouraged and students did a great job bringing them into school every day. We have continued this cam-

aign through October and some teachers may choose to carry it on throughout the year. Try it Tuesday was such a success that we ran out of edamame salad at first lunch so I got peapods for Try it Thursday for second lunch. I would say 90% of our students tried the offerings. Every month the food services department will offer something new. Our walk at school was a success with the beautiful weather adding to the fun. It was nice to have many parents join us. I have posted a smilebox of our walk in the photo gallery on the Prescott web page.

We had our first enrichment program, the a cappella group **Ball in the House** were truly amazing. The students loved them and they sent a nice message about team work and how working together can be very rewarding. Thanks to our enrichment committee for bringing the group to our school.

Two weeks ago we held our **Bullying**

Awareness+week. We had many activities that taught our students skills and strategies when and if they deal with bullying. Our week was based on the book, **Have you Filled a Bucket Today?** and focused on positive ways to treat people. Every day in the café we watched videos and on Thursday we had **Mix it up at Lunch+** day where students sat at different tables assigned by number. Table leaders read questions to ask students and we shared buckets that had been filled out by our students. If you get a chance take a peek at the bulletin board in the front hall to see the bucket fillers at our school!

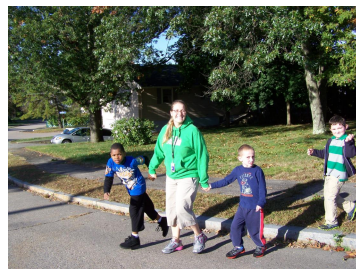
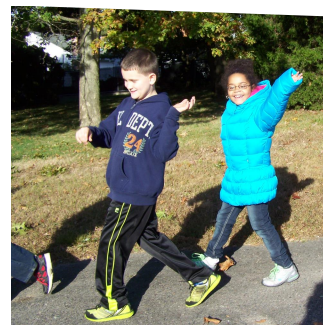
It was great to see so many parents at our recent conference night. It is so important to have a good home school connection and crucial to your child's success in school. Always feel free to contact me with any thoughts or concerns you may have.

Wellness Week at the Prescott, Walk at School Day

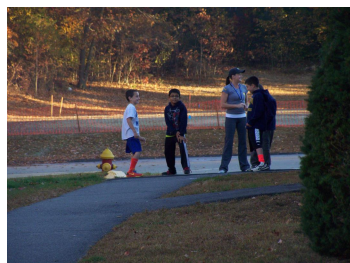


Hi my name is Allyson Salvucci. On Friday October 11th (the end of wellness week) a bunch of kids in my neighborhood who go to the

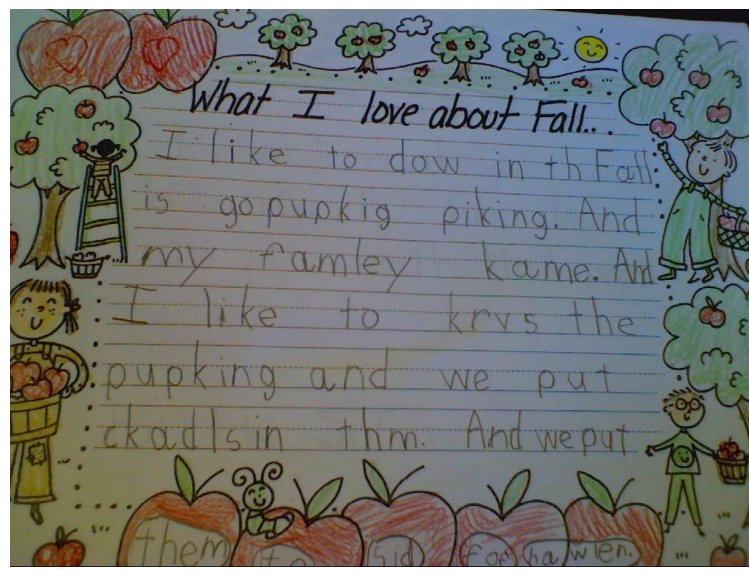
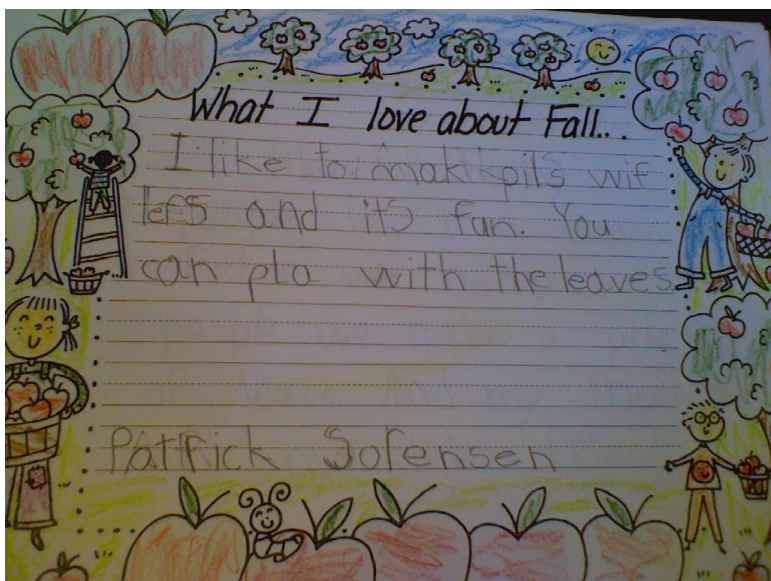
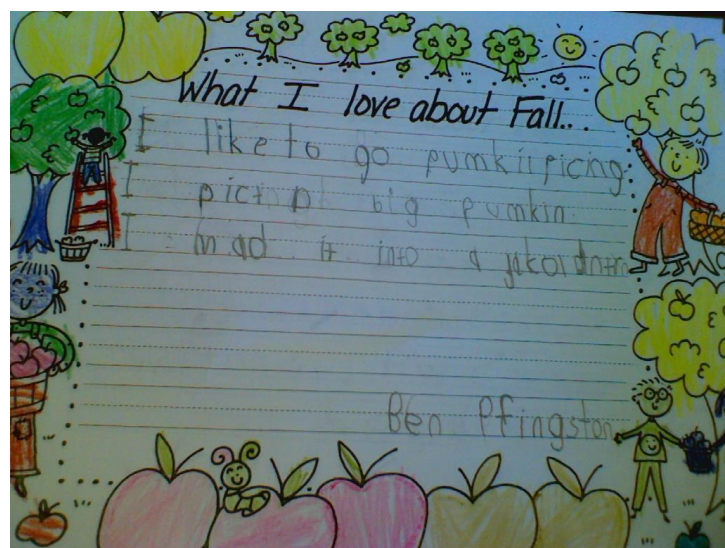
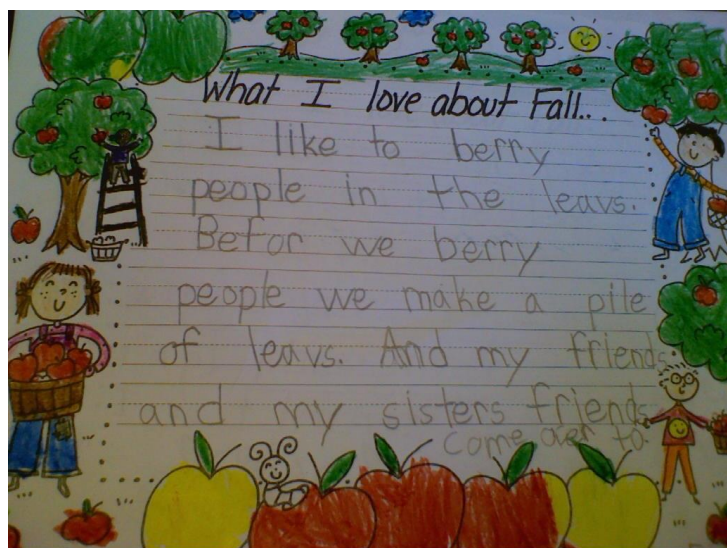
Prescott celebrated the end of Wellness week. We had games, races, and a jog around my block. We can celebrate this every day all you have to do is exercise for an hour. I had tons of fun and guarantee that you will too!

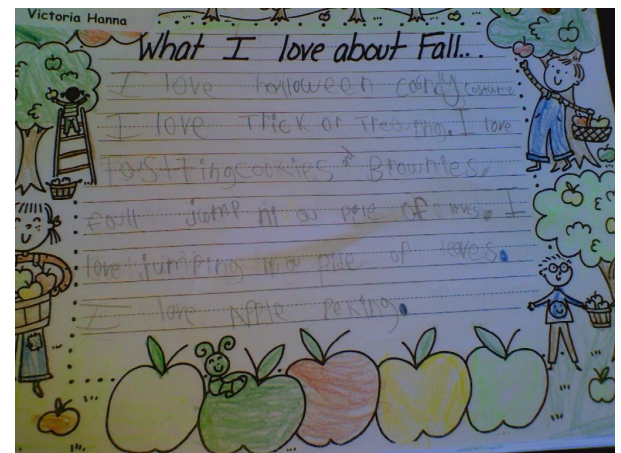
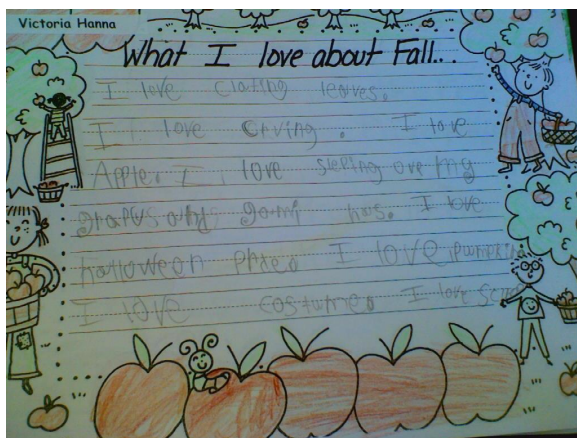
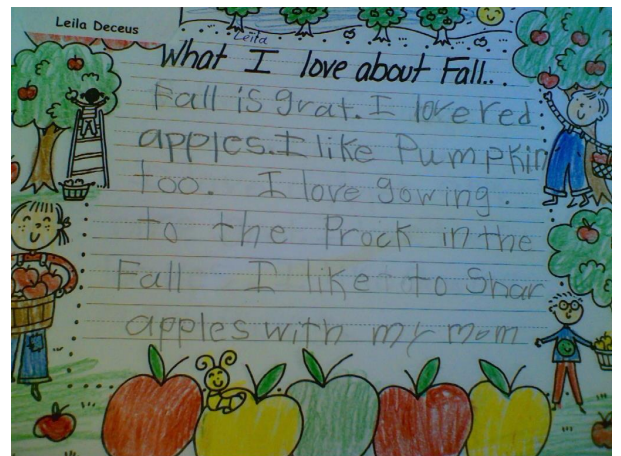
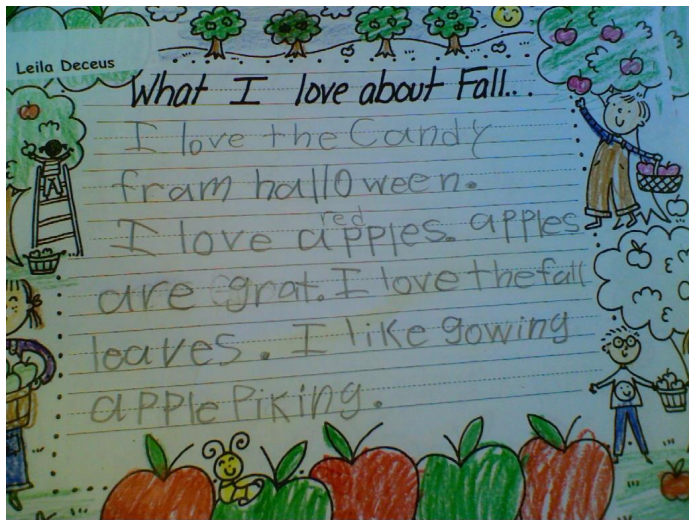
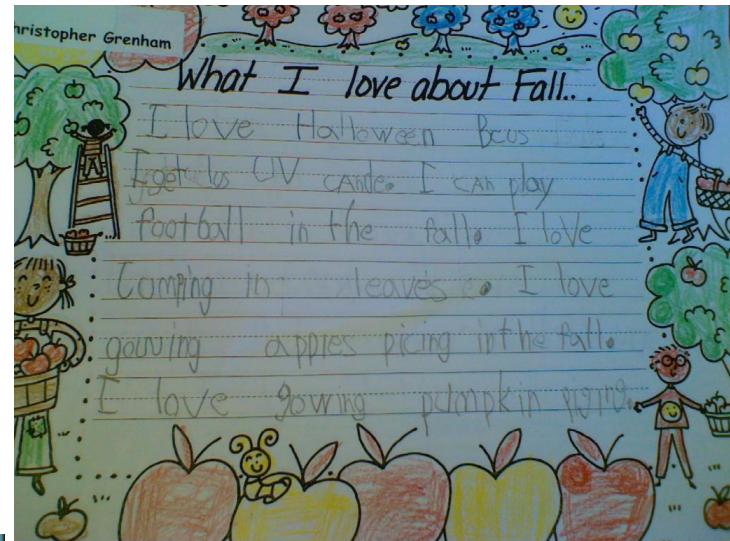
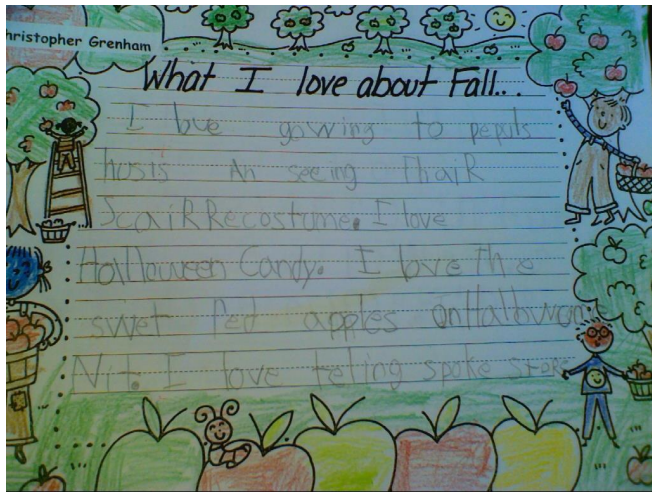
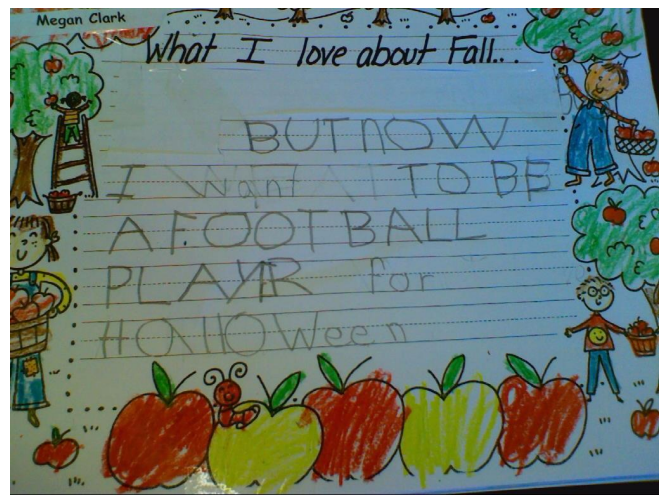
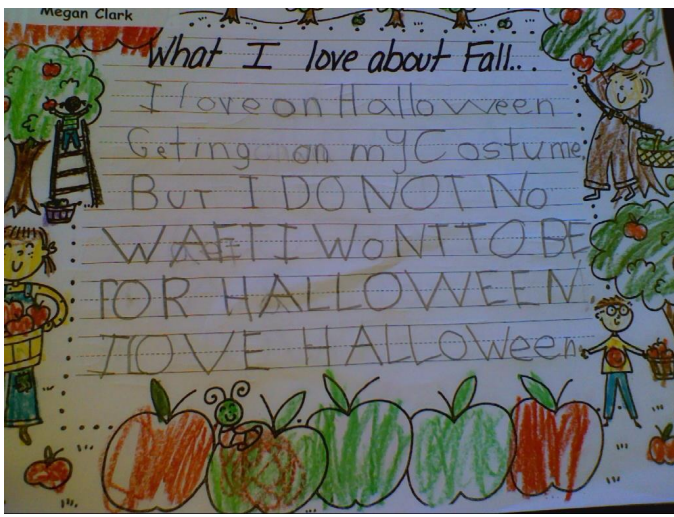


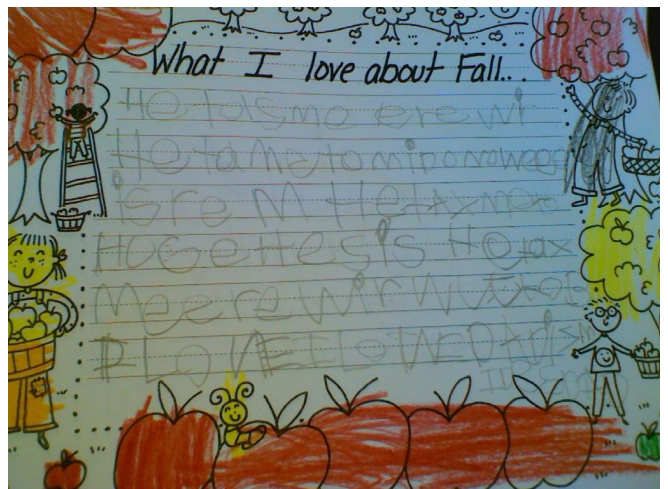
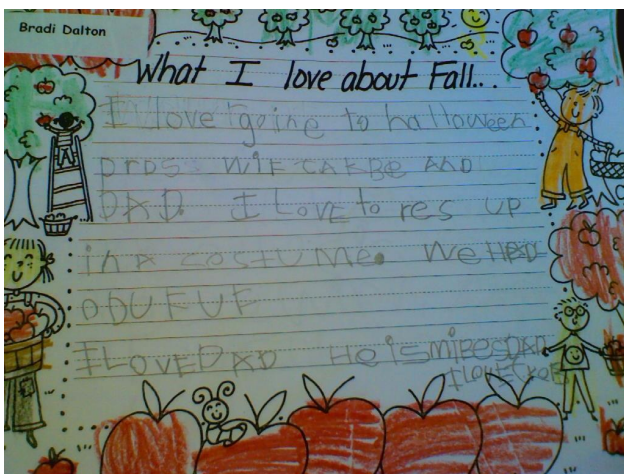
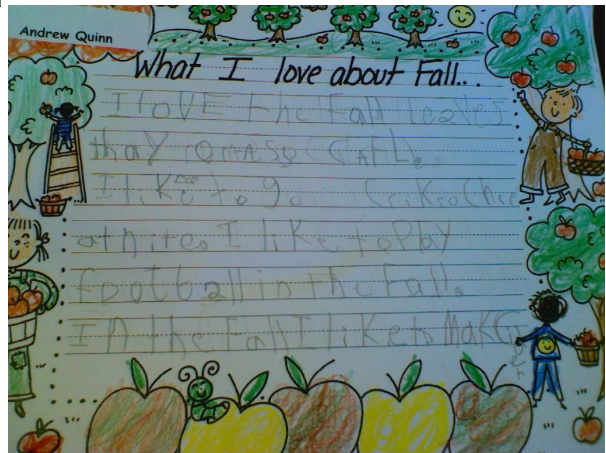
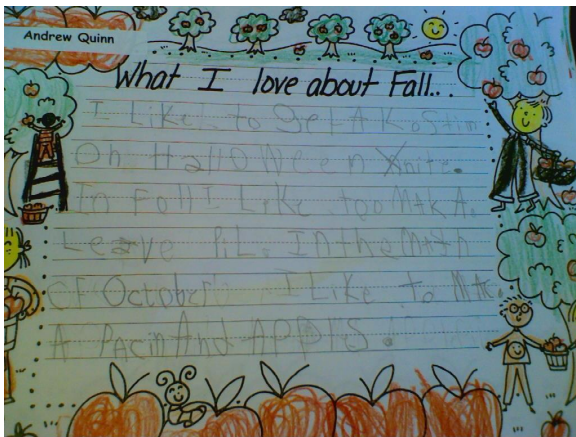
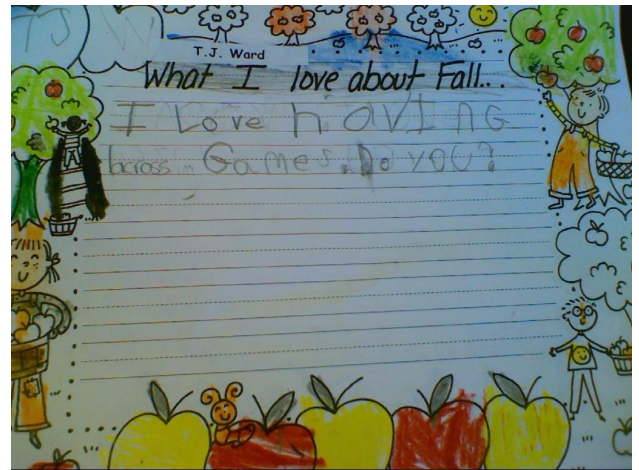
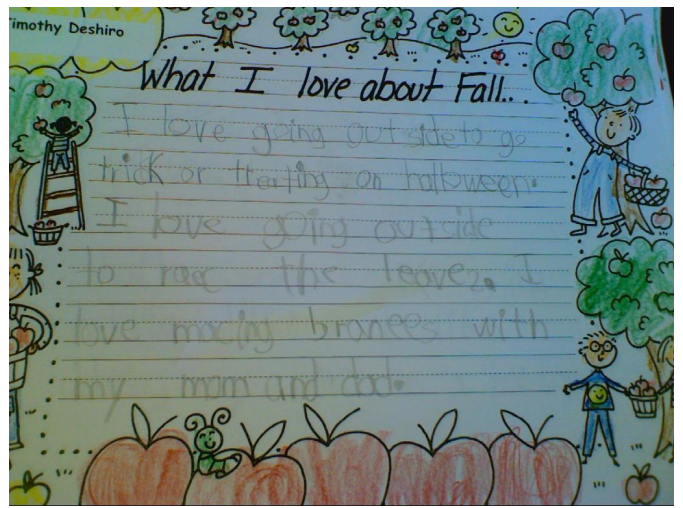
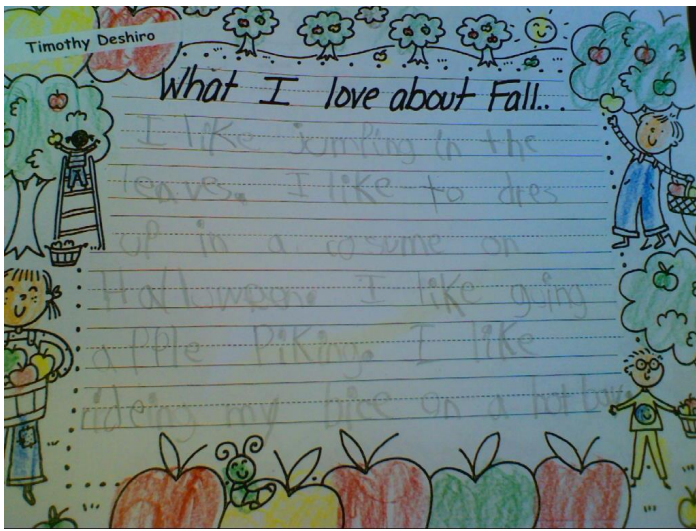
"Boks" before school exercise group under the direction of Mrs. Petrillo and parent volunteers!

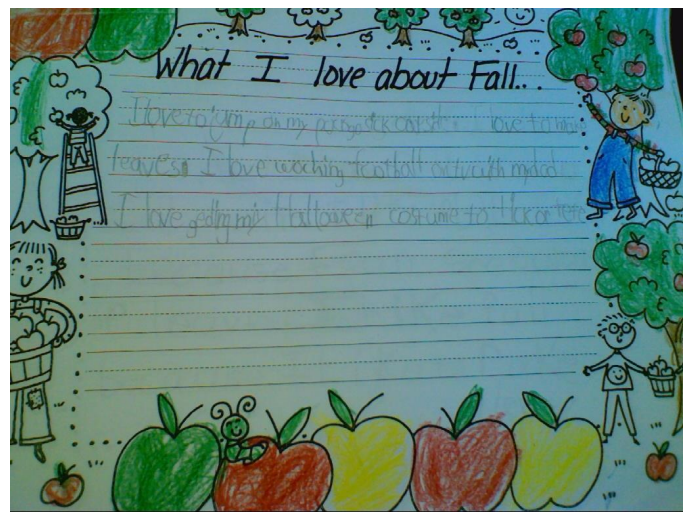
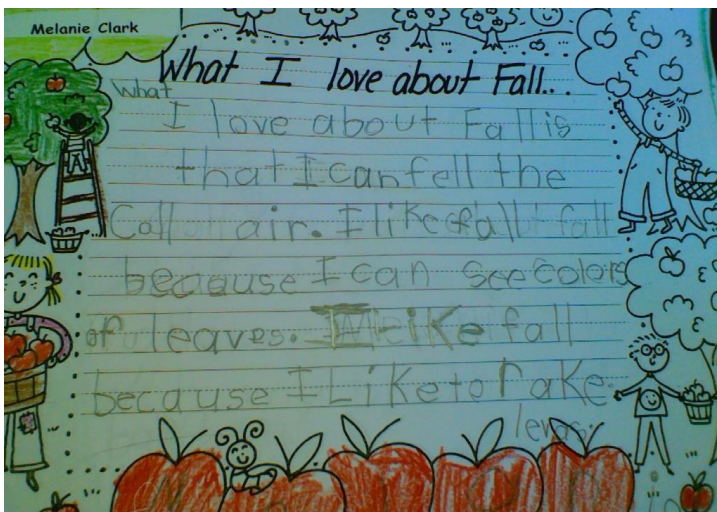
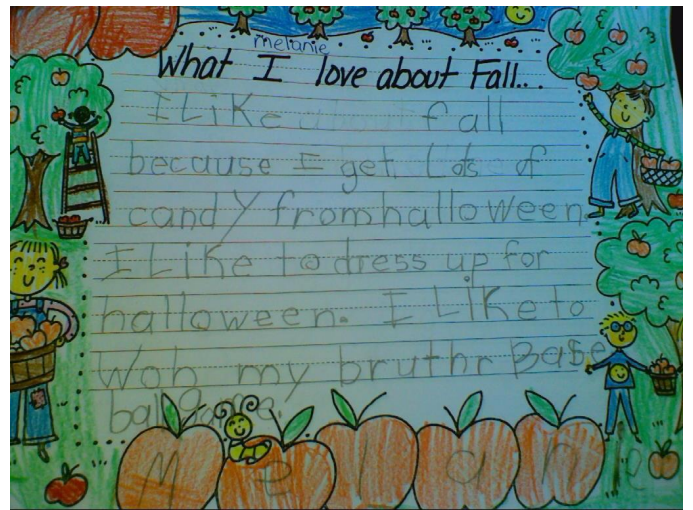
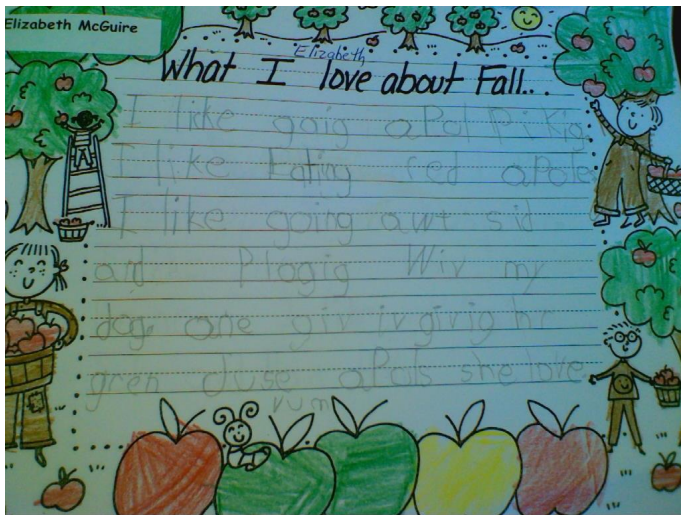
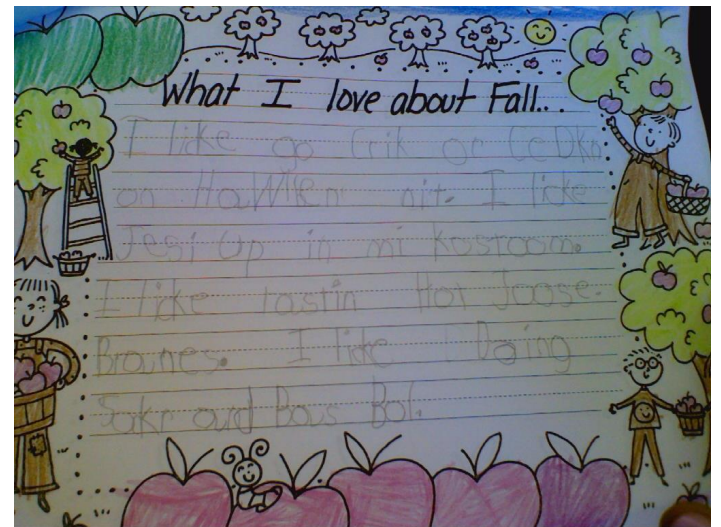
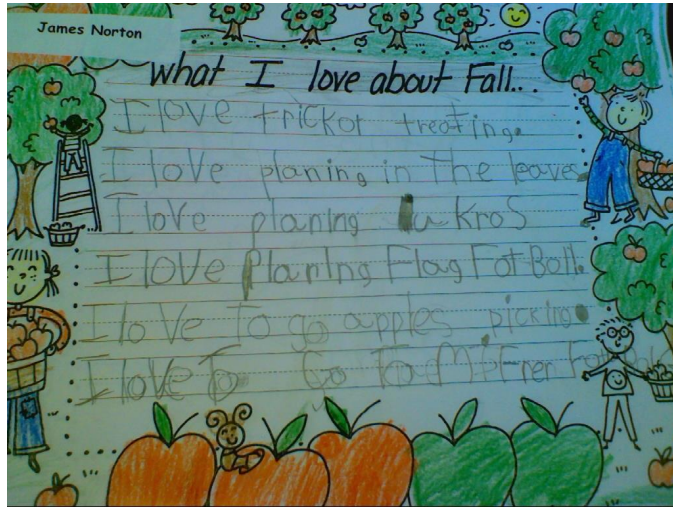
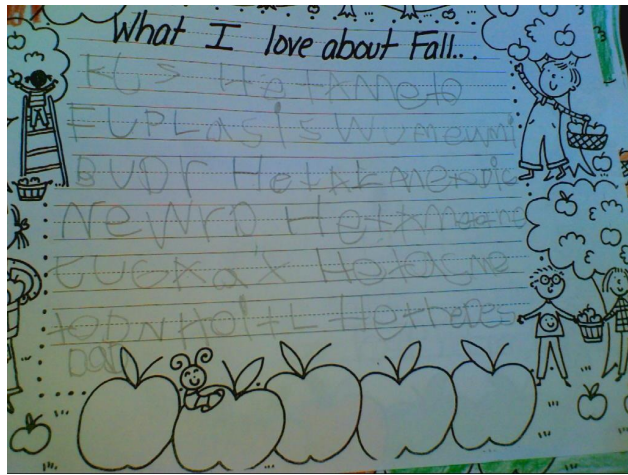


First graders wrote about their favorite things to do in the fall. They write about many different activities and we are sure you will be amazed at how well they can write!









Colleen Brady
 Colleen
 What I love about Fall..
 I love going trick or treat on Halloween night
 I love playing in the leaves. I love raking the
 leaves with my dad. I love playing basket
 ball with my sister. I love eating pumpkins with my family.
 I love picking pumpkins with my mom. I love playing
 volleyball with my sister. I love playing

What I love about Fall..
 are Halloween, dress
 in costume. My mom
 and my dad Birthday
 are in The fall. I
 love eating candy. I like
 to make Making apple pies for

What I love about Fall..
 are eating caramel apples
 When you go to
 places in New Hampshire
 to see the Fall colors and
 waterfalls. Going to
 your Soccer games.

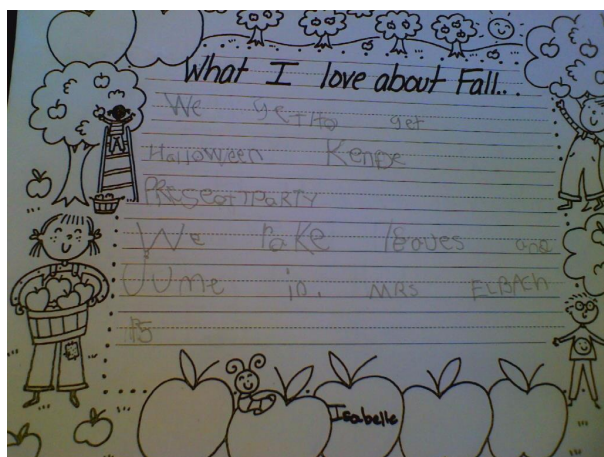
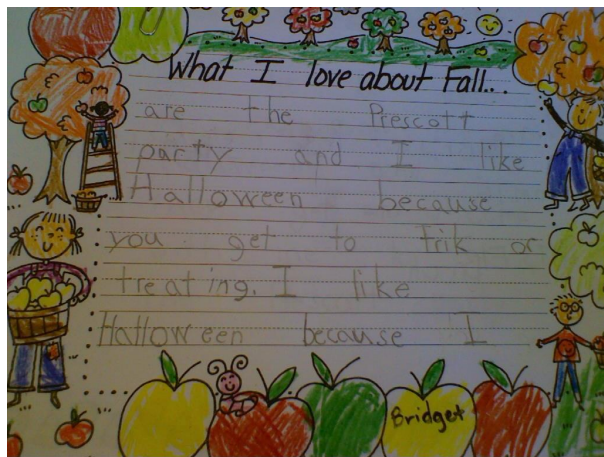
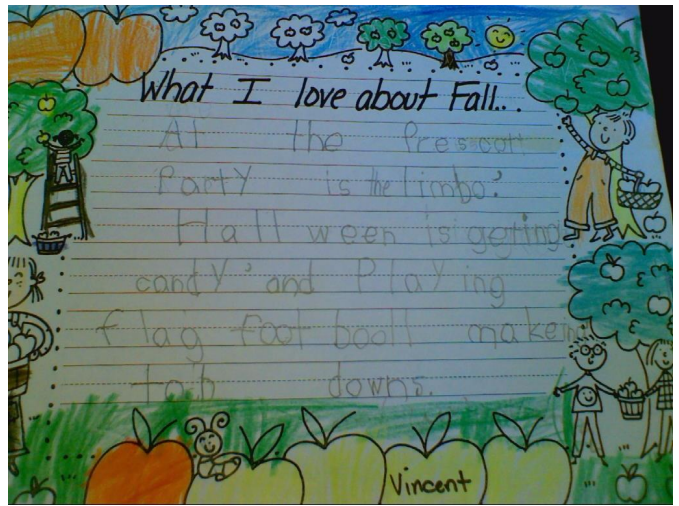
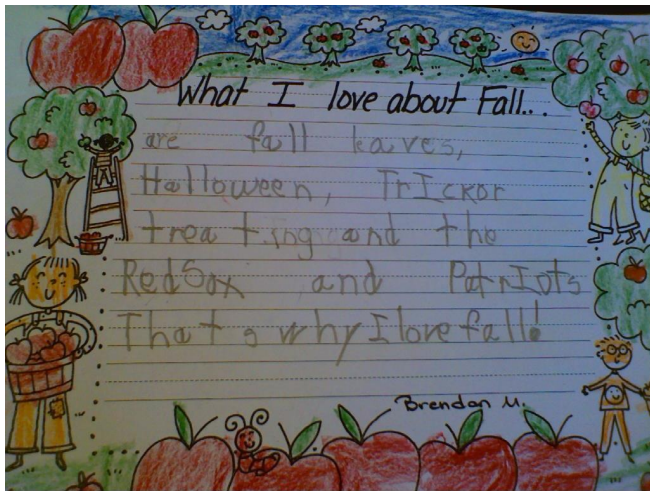
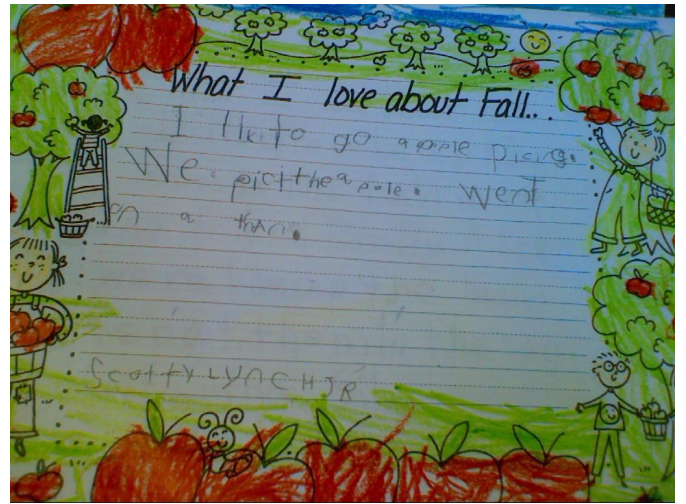
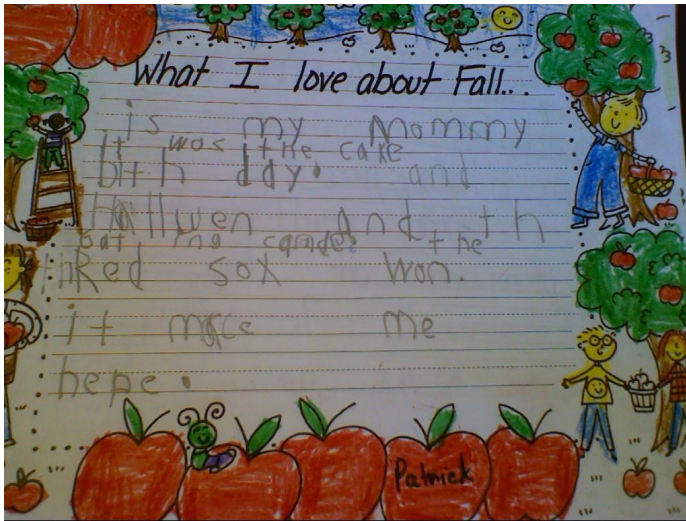
What I love about Fall..
 Are my birthday, going to New
 Hampshire and going apple picking.
 I love the party because it was a
 girls party and it was pretty. The
 apples were sweet.
 It was fun.

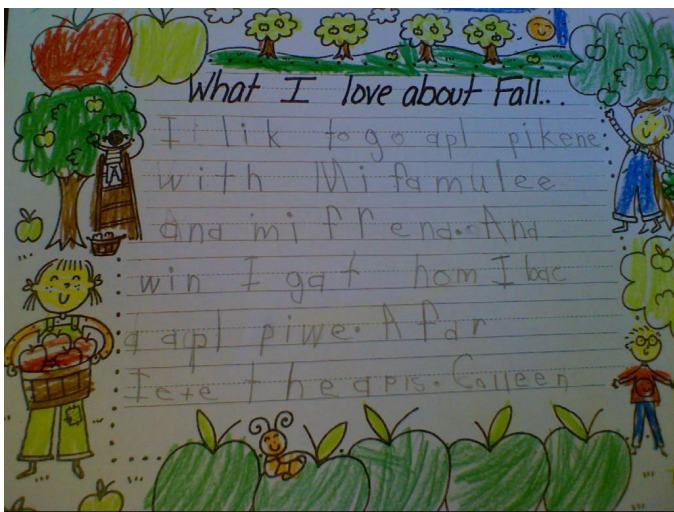
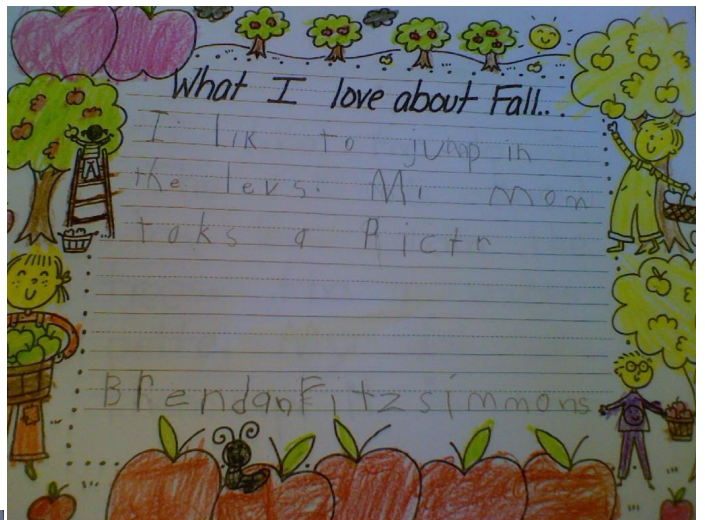
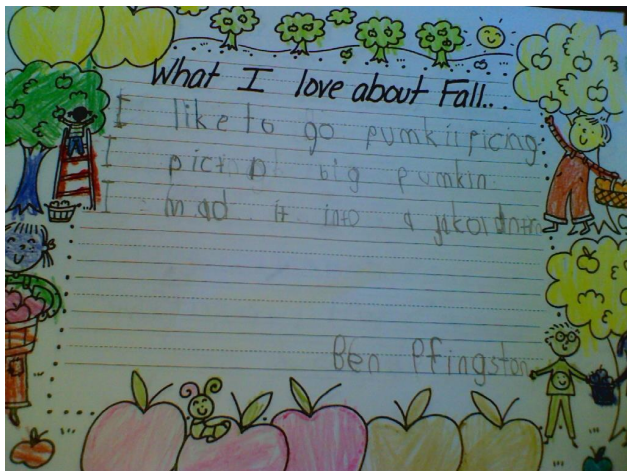
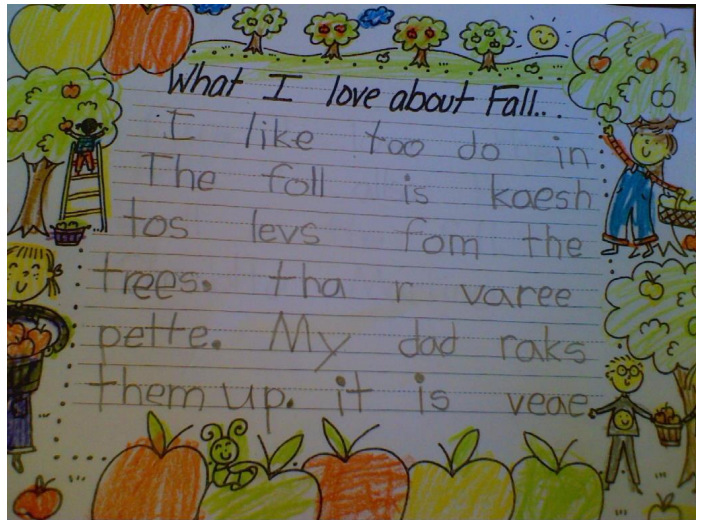
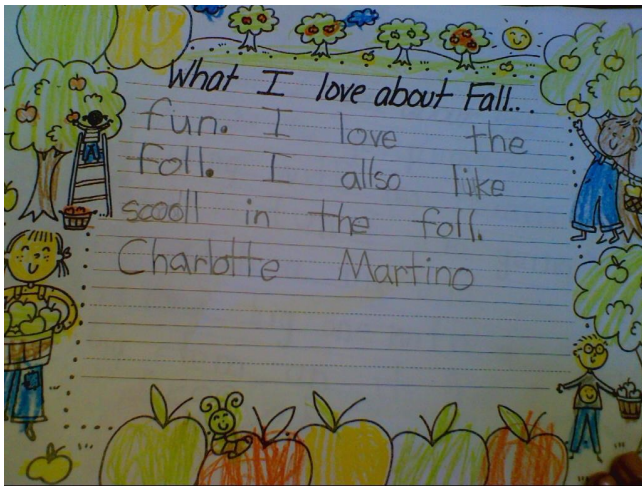
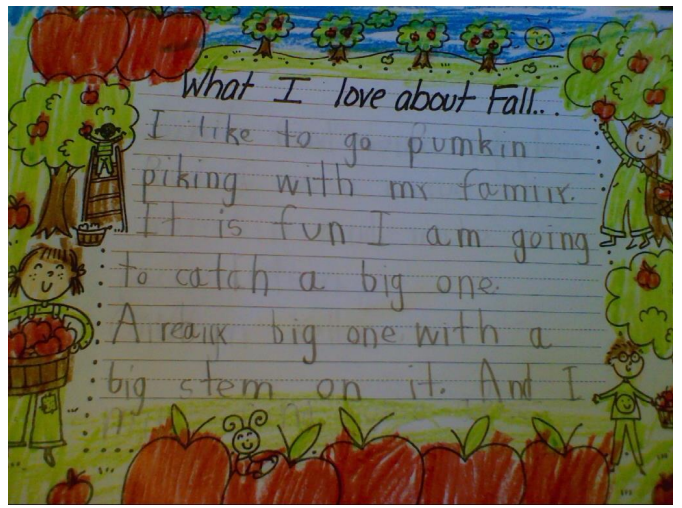
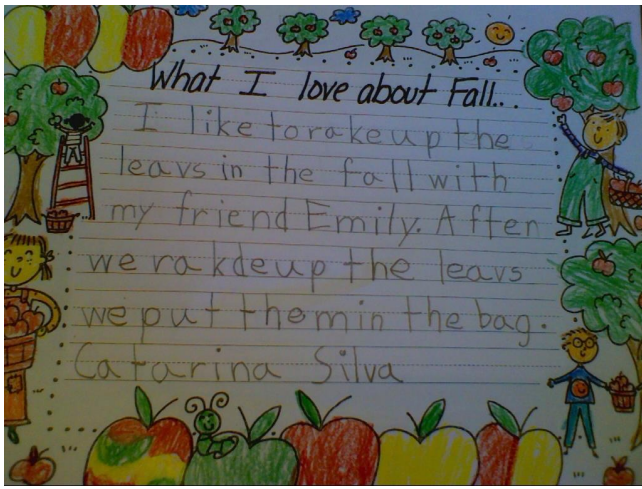
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 picking because when
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 apples they are sweet
 and they are green.

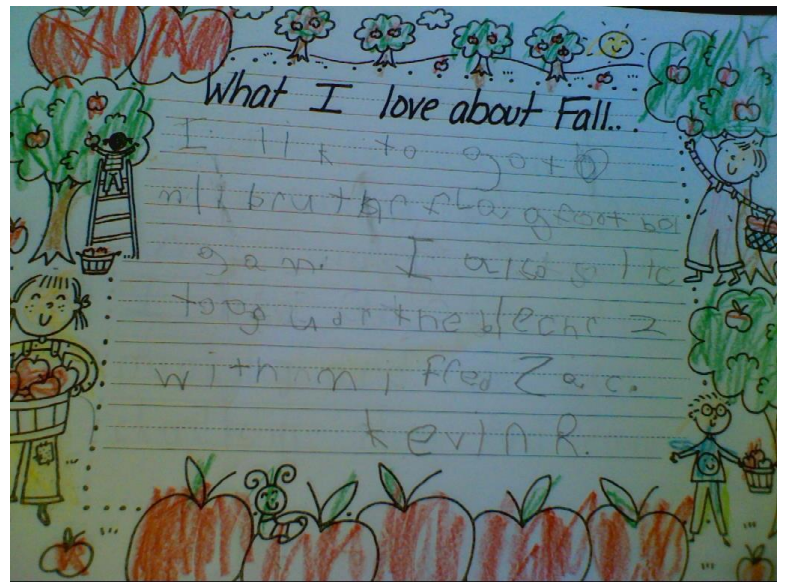
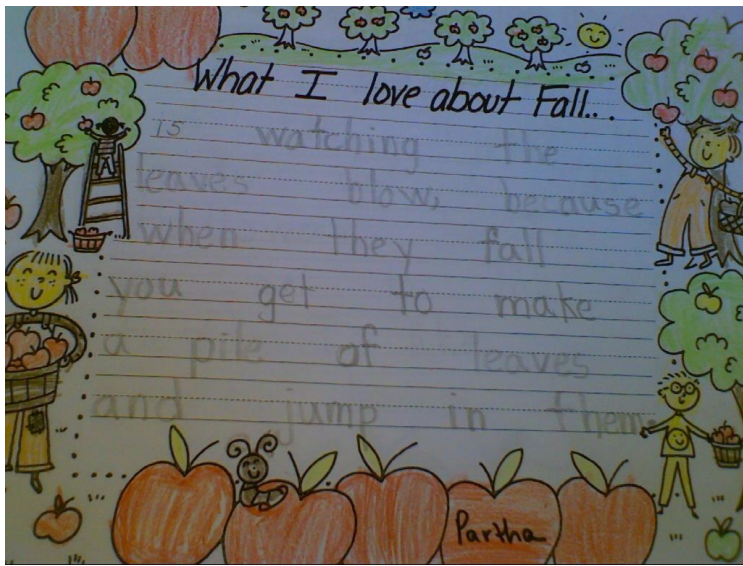
What I love about Fall..
 are My Birthday. I Love
 My Birthday because I
 get presents. I Love Apple
 Picking too. And I Like
 Halloween too I Like
 Halloween because I like to
 dress up.

What I love about Fall..
 are raking the leaves
 jumping in the leaves and
 decorations on
 the house I like to go
 apple picking because we
 go thru a maze at a farm.

What I love about Fall..
 is
 going apple picking
 leaves blow around dancing
 and playing in leaves.









A few things...



We are looking for someone to take over the publication of the **Prescott Press**. If you are familiar with any desktop publishing software you can do the job. Perfect for someone who might be home and is looking to help out. We can email all items for the Press. It is usually published 4 to 5 times a year. Please let Mrs. Killion know if you can help out!

Help wanted!

We need someone to take over the counting of box tops. They need to be put in snack

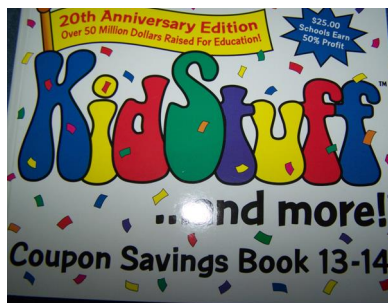
If you signed up to help on the playground please check the schedule for your day. If you are not sure let the office know



Prescott Movie Day will be the day before Thanksgiving. Students may wear their pj's and watch a movie! The ticket price is one item for the Norwood Food Pantry. Popcorn will be sold for \$1:00!



We are off to see the Wizard, November 21st. If you haven't done so yet please send in permission slip and payment for the play!



Don't forget these are due back by Friday November 15th. We earn 50% for every book sold. These fundraisers help to pay for enrichment programs and field trip buses! The trip to the Wizard of Oz will cost the PTO \$1400.00 for the buses. Please help out and do your part to support our school. Thank you!!!