

Parents and students can choose one poem from the following poems for the second grading period. **Poetry Recitation will be on: Tuesday 10/23-Thursday 10/25**. The students’ poetry recitations will be graded according to the following criteria:

1. Posture:
   1. Stands up straight in the front of the room.
   2. Faces the class.
2. Accuracy:
   1. Recites words fluently.
   2. Recites all the words in the poem.
3. Voice:
   1. Speaks loudly.
   2. Clearly pronounces words.
4. Audience Appeal:
   1. Uses eye contact.
   2. Displays enthusiasm

**Choose one of the following:**

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***Five Little Pumpkins***

Five little pumpkins  
Sitting on a gate  
The first one said,  
"Oh, my, it's half past eight!"  
The second one said,  
"There are witches in the air!"  
The third one said,  
"Good folk, beware!"  
The fourth one said,  
"We'll run and run and run!"  
The fifth one said,  
"Let's have some fun!"  
OOOOOOOH, went the wind  
And OUT went the lights  
And the five little pumpkins  
Rolled out of sight

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***Columbus***

Three Ships.

First I’ll draw a triangle.

And then another one.

One, two, and three triangles.

But, still I am not done.

I’ll make a bowl beneath each one.

For Columbus and his crew.

In the Nina, the Pinta and Santa Maria, that crossed the ocean blue.

***I’m Thankful***

I'm thankful for the turkey.

I'm thankful for the pie.

I'm thankful for the corn and bread

And squash I'm going to try.

I'm thankful for the toys I have,

The sun I feel and see,

And always, for my family

Who gather here with me.

-- Kathleen M. Hollenbeck

***Falling Leaves***

Autumn leaves are falling down

All around the yard and in the town

Falling, falling on the ground

And spreading their colors all around

One fell on my head

I laughed and said, “I like autumn.”

***The Clock***

There’s a neat little clock

In the school room it stands

And it points to the time

With its two little hands

And may we, like the clock

Keep a face clean and bright

With hands ever ready

To do what is right.