**This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. As it gets a bit colder outside, it is time to warm up with a little activity art. This week our project will celebrate the month of November, and give us some extra fun each week or day to share with special people. We will make a grateful calendar, since we will celebrate Thanksgiving this month. Being grateful or thankful helps create positive feelings, we can remember good experiences, deal with difficult times, and makes our connections stronger and a bit more special. What could you do, to make someone’s day special?**

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1-On a piece of paper or cardstock, make 5 rows of 7 boxes. Each row is a week in the month and each box is a day in the week. Write the date in each box. November 1, 2022 starts in the first row on Tuesday. Write all the dates, 1-30 in the boxes. You should end in the last row on Wednesday. You can cut a small slit in the bottom of some of the boxes or a particular day of the week, to insert the special gratitude/activity cards. Once you have cut the slit on the bottom of the boxes you want, glue or staple another piece of paper/cardstock to the back side. Make sure to glue the bottom of each box, so the cards do not fall through. Decorate the calendar as you like with colors and designs. . Leave an area overlapping on the top or bottom of the page to decorate or place the cards. Add the month, **November,** on the top or bottom of the page.

2-Make cards for positive, happy activities on cards or things to think more positively about. Ask someone special for their ideas for your cards. You can have one for each day, one for each week, or as many as you like. Add another rectangle or two of paper on the page somewhere to hold these cards if you do not use the slots. Glue it on three sides, leaving the top open and slide the cards in. Pick out a card when the next box is open and try to do as the card reads. Add a magnet on the back or a tie at the top to hang your calendar for the month.

Be well, do well and be grateful each day!

**Ms. Susan**