



Newsletter- November 2018

Can you believe we are already into November?? We have been lucky to have had a lot of nice weather so far. Please remember, however, that the weather changes quickly, so dress your child appropriately. We will go outside most days. Our playground is shady in the morning so keep that in mind when choosing clothing for the day. Layers, layers, layers! We are busy teaching the children how to put on their own coats, and zip them if they are ready. You can encourage them at home too, and together we can master that skill quickly. Self- help skills are a big part of kindergarten readiness. Thank you for sharing your children with us!

November 12- Veteran's Day -No School

Individual Pictures Tues. Nov. 13 for TTH, MTH, THF classes, Wed. Nov. 14 for MWF, MF classes

Parent's Night Out – Nov. 9 and 30

Thursday/Friday, Nov. 15 and 16th – Fall Gathering 10:45 (for AM classes) or 2:30 (for PM classes) Next door in Clubhouse (see below for information)

Monday -Friday - Nov. 19-23 Thanksgiving Holidays - NO SCHOOL

Parent's Night Out is on Friday, Nov. 9 and Nov. 30 from 4:45-7:45 p.m. The cost is \$25 per child (cash) and includes dinner, playtime, a dance party and a movie. Sign- up sheets are on the front desk.

With cold and flu season upon us, please wash your children's hands when they arrive at school, and then again when they get home. Let's work together to stay as healthy as possible.

Individual Pictures will be taken **Nov. 13 & Nov. 14** at the beginning of each session by our school photographer Ms. Barb with Timeless Expressions Photography. The background will be our traditional fall scene with orange, brown, yellow colors. Order Forms have been sent home and we will have extra forms here on picture day. Siblings are welcome to join your preschooler or have individual pictures taken. Family Portraits may be scheduled by calling 720-837-3573.

Safety First Children in Colorado are required by law to be in a child safety restraint seat until 8 years old. If you need a car seat or more info on this topic, please visit <https://www.codot.gov/safety/seatbelts-carseats/carseats>

Please join us for our **Fall Gathering** on **Thursday, November 15** and **Friday, November 16** at **10:45 (morning classes) or 2:30 (afternoon classes)** at the end of your child's preschool session in the McKay Landing Clubhouse next to the Preschool. Children that attend both days will participate on both days. The children will share some songs they have learned in their classroom and we will all go on a "Bear Hunt". Children will be dismissed to you at the end of the gathering. Space is limited in the clubhouse so please leave strollers outside if possible.

Holiday Shopping Idea

If you are shopping for your children at **Grandrabbit's Toy Shoppe**, they have a Bunny Bucks program where we receive a percentage of the money that you spend to use for our school. **If you buy anything from any of the Grandrabbits stores, tell them your child attends The Children's Center Preschool in McKay Landing, and we will get money for awesome new toys.** Last year we received over \$200 for fun new things for our center.

Many of you have generously asked what we could use here at school, here are a couple of ideas:

*Lakeshore Learning gift cards

*Hobby Lobby gift cards

*Banks School Supply gift cards

Thanks for your continued support of our program. We are a non-profit school and all items donated are tax deductible.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!! Registration for School Year 2019-2020

Do you have child that is not currently enrolled that you are wanting to attend next year? Do we have an application on file for them? Sibling applications must be received by December 1st for priority over wait list children.

*If you have a child(ren) who will be returning next year, we will be sending you a form this month in which you will number the Pre-K class options in order of your preference. We will then put all student applications in order by the original application date and send you a contract for the class option that is available when we get to your name. Currently enrolled students and their siblings will begin receiving contracts for the next school year in January. You do not have to submit another application if your child already attends school.

The date of application determines the choice of class options you will have. When the first group of children on the wait list return their contracts with the appropriate enrollment fee, we will then go on to fill the next spaces in the class. When we come to your name on the list you will be offered the class or classes that we have available at that time. If the class you are offered is not the one you prefer, you have the choice to accept the contract so that you will have a spot in our program and ask to be placed on the wait list for the class you prefer, or you can refuse the contract and just stay on the wait lists. This takes quite a while to complete, but we hope to have classes set by the end of February. New student enrollment will begin after current students have been placed.

Plan ahead- You will need to place a non-refundable enrollment fee of \$150 (\$155 for credit card) to reserve a spot in the class for next school year.

DON'T FORGET to check your child's cubby each day at drop off! We place important information in their cubby's from time to time such as picture forms etc... Thanks!

Our themes this month are: Thanksgiving/Fall Harvest, Pumpkin Life System, Sharing and Making New Friends

3 Year Old Program:

PLEASE SEND YOUR CHILDREN IN EASY UP AND DOWN PANTS! We are really encouraging self-help skills in the restroom. Belts, buttons, zippers are extremely challenging for three-year old children so please send them in elasticized pants that they can pull up and down by themselves.

Math Skills: Numbers 6,7, 8, 9 Patterning ABC, Counting Feathers, Apple Seeds – 1, 2, 3, One to one correspondence, Learning about spatial concepts.

Science Skills: Sounds and smells of fall, Sprouting Indian corn, Scales and fall produce, Floating and Sinking.

Reading and Writing Skills: Experiencing the letters A, D, B,R the color brown, oval shapes, continuing pencil and scissor skills, name recognition and writing our names.

Favorite Books: *From Head to Toe, The Pumpkin Patch, Bear Gives Thanks, Brown Bear, If You Give a Moose a Muffin, Thanksgiving is for Giving Thanks, Happy Birthday, Moon, Owl Babies*

Fun Songs and Finger Plays: *If You're Thankful, Popcorn Song, Mr. Turkey Rap, Indian Tom-Toms, Autumn Leaves, I'm a Nut, A Turkey is a Funny Bird, I Am a Little Scarecrow, I'm a Lil' Turkey*

Pre-Kindergarten Program:

Math Skills: Graphing, Counting,

Sorting, Calendar Pattern ABC, Numbers 6, 7, 8, 9

Science Skills: Corn – Why it Pops!, Nutrition, Pumpkin Science, Owls

Reading and Writing: Forming letters A, D, B, R Forming numbers 6, 7, 8, 9 Printing names Kindergarten style, Pencil/scissor skills

Favorite Books: *I Know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Pie, Pumpkin, Pumpkin, We're going on a Leaf Hunt, Thanks for Thanksgiving, Mrs. McNosh and the Great Big Squash, The Most Thankful Thing*

Favorite Songs and Finger Plays: *The Itsy, Medium and Great Big Spider, I'm a Little Acorn, Falling Leaves, Popcorn Song, Hello Mr. Turkey, Turkey Dinner*



“Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember.



Involve me and I learn.”



- Benjamin Franklin