

November Newsletter

A Note from the Office

We had so much fun last month engaging in fall lessons, pumpkin themed activities, and classroom celebrations. We also loved seeing so many of you at our Fall Festival! Thank you for all of the hard work put into trunks and a special thanks to our staff for dedicating time on a Saturday to such a fun family event. This month, we are focusing on gratitude, connecting with others, and sharing family traditions. Thank you for allowing us to teach and care for your children.

Important Dates



Professional
Development Day-
CLOSED

Friday, November 11th



Thanksgiving-
CLOSED

Thursday, November 24th



Black Friday-
CLOSED

Friday, November 25th



Thanksgiving Activities

Our students will be celebrating Thanksgiving with fun classroom activities on **November 17th**. More details to come via Links 2 Home.

Spirit Week



School Spirit Day-
Monday,
November 21st

Wear your blue and yellow!



Neon Day-
Tuesday,
November 22nd

Wear your brightest neon colors!



Tie Dye Day-
Wednesday,
November 23rd

Wear your favorite tie dye shirt!

Family Surveys

Our enrolled family survey launched in October. If you have not received the email, please let us know so we can request it be resent. The survey provides the opportunity for you to give us feedback anonymously on our strengths and areas we can work on. Survey closes November 18.



Cubby Refresh

As a reminder, please make sure to refresh the spare clothing in your child's cubby. Take home anything that no longer fits and leave a spare set of well-fitting, weather-appropriate clothes.

5 Easy STEM Activities to Try This Month at Home

Did you know...

National STEM/STEAM Day is November 8th! We believe that introducing these concepts in preschool is important to help children build problem-solving, reasoning, and critical thinking skills, as well as self-confidence and self-direction.



All year long, our students work collaboratively to create vehicles using cardboard boxes, make containers to grow plants, and build cities out of blocks. They use hands-on materials to explore and understand math concepts such as pattern, size, and shape. They even become mini scientists by making predictions, experimenting, and charting their results.

Below are a few ways to continue STEM/STEAM education at home.

1. Chia Seed Jar

Gather a mason jar, a cup of water, and a teaspoon of chia seeds. Ask your child to place the chia seeds into the jar and pour the water on top. Assist if needed. Cover the top of the jar with a cheesecloth and secure with a rubber band. Let the jar sit overnight. The next day, drain the water. The chia seeds should begin sprouting in a few days. Ask your child to predict how tall the seeds will grow and record the results.

2. Baking Soda Art

Cover the bottom of a tray with baking soda. In a separate bowl, add vinegar and food coloring. Using a dropper, ask your child to pick up the vinegar and drop it into the baking soda. They'll love watching the fizzy experiment. Use different shades of food coloring and encourage your child to create unique art in the tray.

3. Sink or Float Experiment

Fill a large bin or bathtub with water. Provide your child with various seasonal items, such as pinecones, leaves, and mini pumpkins. Ask them to predict whether each object would sink or float. Conduct the experiment to see if their hypotheses were correct.

4. Unique Creations

No need to go shopping! Use materials found around your home to design and build unique creations. Some easy ideas include making binoculars with toilet paper tubes and tape, building a fort using pillows, assembling a tower from magazines, and creating a necklace using macaroni and string.

5. Ice Melting Activity

Conduct an experiment to see where ice would melt the fastest inside your home. Place ice cubes in bowls in different rooms, such as a bedroom, the kitchen, and garage. Ask your child to predict which bowl of ice would melt the fastest.