NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER Room 102



It has been a true joy to watch your children grow in confidence over the past month and a half. They know the routine and expectations within the classroom, Muscle Room and playground well. Friendships are forming and social skills are improving. Every day I see kids exploring new opportunities during free time and, initiating conversation, and play with a broader group. They are becoming a cohesive class and it is wonderful to see!

November Dates

Fall Conferences	Week of Nov. 16 th
Charlie Brown Thanksgiving	Nov. 18th
Farmer Nelson	Nov. 19th
No School	Nov. 24 th - 26th

November Learning Themes: Animals on the Farm

Farming is important for our life. Farm animals produce many things for our life. This month the children will learn how farm animals helps us. We will also learn about life on a farm. And for a real life experience, a visit from Farmer Nelson and "Tom" the turkey!

Letter of the Week

This month we will be looking at letters E, F, & G. The children have had fun identifying the sound (or sounds) the letter makes, visual recognition of capital and lower case, and identifying words that begin or end with the letter we are working on.

Morning Sign In

There has been a tremendous amount of growth in this area and I am grateful you are working with your child at home. While many children are comfortable writing their name, some are still reluctant, and that is ok. There has been a lot of emphasis on "doing what you can", in order to alleviate any anxiety. If it's one letter that is awesome! As long as there is progress, we are headed in the right direction.

Kids' Time

Wow, the kids did an outstanding job last month! Each child was poised, confident and so proud! We practiced talking about each step, projecting their voices loudly, making good eye contact, and for the audience, asking questions and giving compliments. I couldn't stop smiling! This month your child will present/share a picture of something they are thankful for. (Family, pet, toy, book, bike, etc.) Please consider assisting your son/daughter with an introduction (hello; good morning; good afternoon, my name is.....; etc.), and then "I am thankful for ______, because_____." I will introduce thoughtful, relevant questions this month, and will continue to encourage sincere compliments.

Charlie Brown Thanksgiving

We are celebrating a Charlie Brown Thanksgiving on November 18th, and are asking each family to contribute an assigned item for our not-so-traditional feast. A note will be sent home the week prior.

Conferences

Please look for the signup sheet on Tuesday, November 3rd. Conferences will be held on Monday 11/17 and after school Tuesday 11/17 & Wednesday 11/18. I will be sending home a conference questionnaire on the beginning of the month. If you could take a few minutes to fill this out with your child and return it to me by 11/10, I will be able to better prepare for your conference and address any specific questions you might have. Thank you.

Volunteer Help

Calling all moms, dads, and grandparents....we will need some volunteers to help out with the Charlie Brown Thanksgiving on 11/18. Please let me know if you're available, I'll have a sign up posted on 11/3. Thank you!

Outside Time We go outside every day unless it is raining. Please remember to send hats and mittens with your child. Even though it is not that cold little hands and ears get chilly. We are working on getting ourselves ready to go out. I ask that the children try 3 times to zip, get mittens on, etc. before they ask a friend or me for help. They are learning great independence and cooperation skills when we get ready to go outside!

Please contact me with any questions or concerns, awright@lakeharrietumpreschool.org

Wishing you and your family a very happy Thanksgiving!