

November News

Room 106

It has been such a 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. 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 new friends. They are becoming a cohesive class and it is wonderful to see!

November Dates

Show & TellThursday, Nov 1st
Charlie Brown Thanksgiving ...Thursday, Nov. 15th
No School Nov. 19st - 22th

Election

On November 6th your preschooler will be voting at school for their favorite color.

Morning Routine

I have changed our morning routine a bit since the MEA break. Not only is the room in a new configuration, the order of our day has changed a bit too. We start the morning working on projects as a group and then gather for our morning circle. A couple of weeks ago, I introduced "job days" and "vacation days". The children love having these added responsibilities and patiently await their jobs on "vacation days". The classroom jobs are things like; being the line leader, caboose, calendar at group time, weather reporter and water patrol. Water patrol is responsible for watering our plant and misting Bruno, who is native to the tropics :-). I will be introducing the idea of the "morning check in" this month. That may mean picture matching and letter identification or practice writing a letter (or more) in their name.

Show & Tell

The first show & tell is a fun way for kids to share something from home with their new friends. We will practice talking in turn (only one person uses their voice and the rest of us use our ears) , projecting their voices loudly, making good eye contact, and for the audience, asking questions and giving compliments. 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, 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 15th, 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.

Volunteer Help

Calling all moms, dads, and grandparents....we will need some volunteers to help out with the Charlie Brown Thanksgiving on 11/16. Please let me know if you're available, I'll have a sign up posted on 11/1. 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, khiggins@lakeharrietumpreschool.org
Wishing you and your family a very happy Thanksgiving!