



November News—Room 206

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Wow! We've really gotten into the swing of preschool in Room 206! I'm so proud of your children and the strides they are making in our classroom. They are sharing their thoughts, classroom materials and toys, and kindness.

They are also becoming increasingly more responsible in their environment. When presenting a problem to me (i.e. spilled water at a meal or a classmate not sharing) I pause and then ask "How do you think you can solve your problem?" Encouraging their agency and allowing them to solve small hurdles on their own helps them develop skills, a sense of self, and confidence.

Important Dates

November 4th: LHUMP snack election—strawberries vs. blueberries; winner will be eaten on Wednesday at snack time!

November 5th: Teacher in-service—NO SCHOOL

November 12th: LHUMP t-shirt Tuesday

November 18th-22nd: Fall conferences

November 25th-28th: Thanksgiving Holiday—NO SCHOOL

November Learning Themes

Our Community, Our Families, and Thanksgiving/Kindness



We will begin the first half of November talking our role in the community (voting, democracy) and discuss families and traditions. We will also celebrate kindness in honor of Mister Rogers and reflect on gratitude.

Fall Conferences

Our fall conferences will be held the week of November 18. This short meeting is intended for caregivers **without** your child and can be held in person or virtually. I'm looking forward to reviewing how your child is adjusting to preschool and going over any goals you have for the rest of your child's school year. A sign-up sheet will follow.

Playground Time

We head out to the playground every day that it is not raining, so please send warm weather gear with your child. Little fingers get chilly, so mittens that keep fingers close together and hats to cover ears are great. We are working on the process of getting on

outerwear so students learn independence and will try zipping zippers as we progress through the colder seasons.



Introducing Our Class Pet

I'm pleased to introduce our class pet, **Pretzel**. He is a male golden hamster. Children have learned about the components of his cage, enrichment, and diet. When your child's daily job is our Hamster Helper, they may fill his water dish or put vegetables in his food bowl!

Contact Me

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. My e-mail address is tvandeboom@lakeharrietumpreschool.org and I can also receive messages through brightwheel.