



A Peek at Our Week

Tree Study: Week 2

As it is a short week, we will continue working on some introductory concepts for our tree study, as well as continuing to discuss leaves and their various colors. At home you can support our learning by talking with your children about the various colors of leaves you find, and by labeling the different

Schedule Change

Due to the increasingly colder weather, we have adjusted our schedule so that we are no longer playing outside first thing in the morning. I collaborated with a social-emotional coach from preschool services to ensure that our new schedule creates the best learning environment for all students. I also adjusted mealtimes so that they are now happening in smaller groups of children. This gives us the opportunity to teach and practice appropriate how to eat and socialize appropriately at the table. If you would like to see a copy of our new schedule please visit our class website (lockhartpreschool.weebly.com) and look at the bottom of the section labeled "curriculum."

Literacy Emphasis



This week our literacy Emphasis is a book called, "The First Thanksgiving". We will explain that we aren't coming to school on Thursday because it is Thanksgiving, and give a brief overview of why we celebrate Thanksgiving.

Winter Holidays

As the season for winter holidays approach, we want to make sure that we are representing the customs and traditions of all of the families in our class. Please fill out the survey I e-mail to you so that I can make sure your holiday customs are represented in our classroom. I also want to give you a chance to share your customs with the children so I am looking for volunteers to hold open "booths" for our winter celebration. I would love to brainstorm with you on ways you can participate in our winter celebration!

Play-doh

At the end of December, we will do a unit on the Gingerbread Man. To help encourage the children to recreate the story, we would like to allow the children to make their own "gingerbread men" out of play-doh. Attached you will find a recipe for gingerbread play-doh. Making play-doh is a fun activity your child can help with, and would be a great donation for our classroom. If you feel so inclined, please donate your gingerbread play-doh by December 17th. Thank you!

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Optional Homework

- Collect leaves outside and encourage your child to sort the leaves by categories—size, shape, etc.
- Before mealtime review mealtime expectations, and *tell your child when they are meeting those expectations!*
- Make Gingerbread Play-doh together (turn in by Dec. 17th)

Upcoming Events

Thanksgiving— 11/24
NO School!

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Home Visits (ER 12/2
Day, AM Only

Workshop on 12/9/
Tantrums at 10:00 am
Lockhart

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