



Children's Winter Garden with White Wing School



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Newsletter

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Welcome November!!

As expected, we had a fun filled, busy month in October. Picture day was great and we hope that you will be happy with those beautiful pictures that were taken by Expressions Photography. To go along with our Fire Safety month, we did our first fire drill in October and the children did a fabulous job. The children also had so much fun with Halloween activities, playing all types of seasonal games.

November promises to be another exciting month filled with all kinds of creative and wonderful activities. See page two and three for glimpses of what will be going on in your child's classroom. Each class will be having their own Thanksgiving celebration during the last week of November. The teachers will be putting together some treats for the children to help with the celebration.

We hope that each and every family has a wonderful and Happy Thanksgiving. Please remember that we do not have school on November 11 in honor of Veteran's Day and also from Nov. 25-27 in celebration of Thanksgiving. School will resume on Monday 11/30.

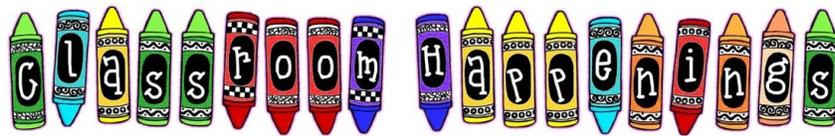
Nashua Soup Kitchen Donations

During the month of November we will be working on a community service project with the children. We will be collecting food items for the Nashua Soup Kitchen.

At the beginning of November, we will be sending home a paper bag in your child's school bag. On the bag will be a list of items that the NSK is in need of. If you can, please send this bag back by Nov. 19 with any of the items that are listed. You can just hand it to us during your child's carpool to make it easiest. We are trying to teach the children that some people don't always have food, especially during these challenging times and we are trying to help them out. **Please make sure to send the bags in by November 19, so that we can deliver the food in time for Thanksgiving.**



Thank you for your help with this community project.



Two year old class



Our little two year olds really are making a great adjustment to school. We would like to welcome our new little friend Ollie. They will start the month out learning all about leaves and Owls. They will be painting with bunches of leaves, crunching leaves in their sensory bins, having a fall music dance party, making an Owl baby art project, playing with colorful feathers and listening to flannel board stories and that's just the first week. Squirrels, the color brown, triangles and turkeys will also be topics of conversation during the month. The children will be sponge painting grey squirrels, finger painting with brown paint, digging in the dirt and exploring with magnifying glasses and playing with brown cinnamon play dough (that will smell good). On Brown day the children will listen to *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* and *Brown Bear, Brown Bear* and dance to a Rainbow song. Sounds like they will be very busy.

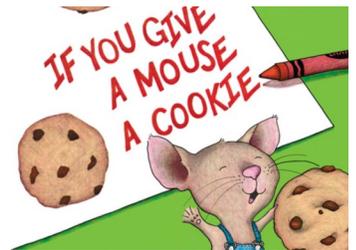
Three year old classes

Miss Chrissy's class will start out the month learning about Porcupines. They will be creating a leaf and pine needle porcupine. How fun that will be. Miss Meghan and Miss Catherine's 3 year old class will start the month out learning all about Owls. For discovery they will each have their own little hibernation station with fall animals. The children will also be learning all about Squirrels, Birds & Raccoons. Some of the art projects they will be doing are Acorn marble painting, painting with feathers, creating an owl baby and making hand print acorns. The month will continue on with talking about Turkeys, the color brown, Triangles, Thanksgiving and Gingerbread. The children will also be playing all kinds of fun math games that will follow our themes. Some of these are Fall Patterning, Squirrel shape math, going on a Triangle Scavenger Hunt and playing a Shape Pattern game. Some of the books they will be listening to this month are *The Nutty Nut Chase*, *Owl Babies*, *Brown Bear, Brown Bear*, *Chester Raccoon*, *There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Turkey*, *Chipmunk at Hollow Tree Lane* and *The Kissing Hand* among many others. They will also be working on paper bag Turkeys and other Thanksgiving fun projects. Sounds like a VERY busy and fun month.



Four year old and Pre K classes

The four year old and Pre K students will start the month out by honoring and learning about heroes in our community. How can we honor those who help us? The children will discuss who the heroes in our community are and what they do to help us...the Drs., nurses, members of the military, police, ambulance drivers plus many others who help us in our community. On another day during the week the children will be sharing what they may be thankful for. Letters for the month will be G & H and the author of the month will be Laura Numeroff who is so well known for her "If you Give a Mouse a Cookie" series of books. Other books of hers that we will read are If You Give A Moose a Brownie, If You Give a Moose a Muffin and If You Give a Dog a Donut. These are funny books with colorful illustrations. The children will also be working hard on making a Thanksgiving craft. They will have a day talking about Gingerbread (it will smell good in here). On our Spirit of Giving Day they will start to make something special for a holiday gift for their family. Brown is our color of the month. See the calendar on this newsletter to see when that will be.



Since we cannot go on any field trips, we are doing Virtual trips during the month. With Grant money we received, we have purchased a projector and a screen for the virtual field trips. The children will be "visiting" a Fire and Police Station this month to see what goes on there. This is going to be a great month!!

Thank you to the Nashua Firefighters



We would like to thank the Nashua Fire Department for giving the children some Fire Safety items. Usually the Firefighters come to the school with their truck, but with COVID-19 they are unable to visit schools. They gave us fire hats, coloring books and badges to give out to the children. They loved them. We did a whole day on Fire Safety teaching the children about ways to stay safe and what to do in case of a fire.



December look ahead: Gift card donations for Nashua Children's Home

To go along with our theme of caring for our community, we will be collecting gift cards for the children at The Nashua Children's Home, for holiday gifts. This has been something we have done for several years and a thank you letter is attached to the newsletter (from last year) to show their appreciation and tell how much it meant to the children.

Places that the NCH

has suggested are Dunkin Donuts, Target, Walmart, CVS. We certainly are not expecting anything large, but even if you can give a \$5.00 gift card for the children, they will have something for a holiday gift.

At the end of this month we will be sending tags for gift cards home in your child's bag. If you can purchase a gift card, we would greatly appreciate it. Please send them back along with the tag in

an envelope marked gift card. Last year, I believe, we had approximately 60 gift cards (totaling about \$700) to donate to the children at the NCH and they were so happy. If you can't get from the store we send to you, that's fine (any store is fine that is listed) or if you want to get more than one, we'd love that too. We thank you for your generosity to children in need.



Holiday Travel Reminder

With the upcoming holidays, I would like to remind all of our families about the COVID-19 Travel Restrictions. Below is taken directly from the NH Division of Public Health Services guidance. We appreciate your transparency with this situation and letting us know if you will be traveling outside of the New England States during the holidays. If you do, we ask that you not have your child return to school for the 14 day quarantine period. Thank you so much for all of your understanding with all the regulations this year. We know that it is difficult for all of us and hope that it will get better in the near future.

"NH residents or out-of-state visitors traveling to/from areas outside of New England (Vermont, Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut, or Rhode Island) need to self-quarantine for the first 14 days of any intended stay in NH after travel (starting from the last day of their travel outside New England). This recommendation is irrespective of the mode of transportation for travel (public vs. private transportation)."

Storm Cancellations—Important please read!

Living in New England, we know that snow could arrive at any time. The Children's Winter Garden with White Wing School typically follows the Nashua Public Schools on storm days. Since Nashua is mostly virtual at this time, I'm not sure they will be announcing storm days. As a result we will follow the Private Schools in Nashua. If you hear that St.



Christopher's is closed, we will follow their lead. If they close we will be closed and if they have a delayed opening we will do the same. A closing or delay will also be announced on TV on WMUR Channel 9. It will also be listed on their website www.wmur.com under closing and delays.

If St. Christopher's has a delayed opening, all morning programs with regular dismissal times of 11:15, 11:30 and 11:45 will be cancelled. The only two classes that will be in session on a delayed opening day will be Miss Meghan and Miss Catherine's MWF Extended day program and Mrs. Louis' Pre K class. Miss Meghan and Miss Catherine's MWF Extended Day carpool arrival time will be 10am and Mrs. Louis' Pre K class will have a carpool arrival time of 10:15am. *Only those two classes will start at 10 and 10:15. All other morning classes are cancelled.* Parents may escort their children scheduled to attend Stay & Play to their classroom door off the front playground beginning at 11:30am. (the door is the fourth door from the playground gate.) Our Discovery Program will also be in session from 2-5:30 for children already signed up for this program.

