

Children's Winter Garden with White Wing School

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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Welcome to a new year at CWG-WWS. We are thrilled that you chose us for your child's early learning experience. The teachers have been working all summer long to put together a great curriculum for all of our classes. Each month will have a theme and will be chock full of Developmentally appropriate activities that the children will love. In this newsletter you will find a sampling of what will go on in our classrooms. The halls are filled with chatter, laughter and always songs and music. What a fun place to be.

We will continue our sanitizing process for all toys, but will be easing up on children being able to choose activities rather than always



being in the same groups. This gives them more independence in choosing activities.

Play is such an important part of learning in the early years. Activities planned in our daily curriculum have some type of purpose to them, some type of goal of what skill we are trying to help the children develop.

Each month we will explore a different theme and this month our activities will center around adjusting to our new surroundings, learning how to use materials in the classroom, making friends and talking about

our families. Clifford and Pete the Cat will make their way into our daily plans.

At times separation is difficult for some of the children. This is normal and is the start of building trust between you and your child, showing them that you will be back when school is over. Don't worry if they are upset when you leave them. As soon as they are on the playground or in the classroom, they will become engaged in all kinds of fun activities.

We are truly looking forward to this school year and spending time with and getting to know your children. Again welcome from our entire staff and Board of Directors.

Introducing 2 New Teachers

Please welcome Gabrielle Dery, our long term sub for Miss Chrissy, and also Colleen Zizzi, our new teacher who will be taking over our Stay & Play and Discovery programs

Prior to staying home with her youngest child and after receiving her Master's in Early Childhood Education, Mrs. Dery taught Kindergarten for 10 years in Lowell, Massachusetts. She then moved with her family to Nashua and taught Title I Reading to grades K-3 for 2 years before becoming a stay home mom. She has 2 children; a son entering his senior year in Nashua and a 1st grade daughter who also attends Nashua schools. Her daughter spent the last 2 years here at CWG-WWS. She is so happy to be back with us as a long term substitute.

Colleen received her Bachelor's in Early Education and Psychology from Keene State College. She then went on to work in the special education field, primarily with kids with autism, for approximately fifteen years before becoming a stay-at-home mother. She lives in Nashua with her husband Anthony and two children. Landon is almost 7 and will be going into first grade this year. He recently graduated from CWG-WWS where he attended for three years. Harper is 4 1/2 and will be starting her second year at CWG-WWS this year. Colleen is excited to become part of the CWG-WWS staff and family!

Snacks & Peanut allergies

As explained in our orientation, the children bring their own snack in. You have been provided with a small tote bag with your child's name on it. Please use this each day for their snack. You do not have to send in a juice box if you don't want to. We will give the children water. We do have a few children with nut allergies, so we ask that you do not bring in any items that contain nuts for snack or lunch. Thank you for your cooperation with this. Our main goal is to keep our children safe.

Staggered Arrival and Dismissals

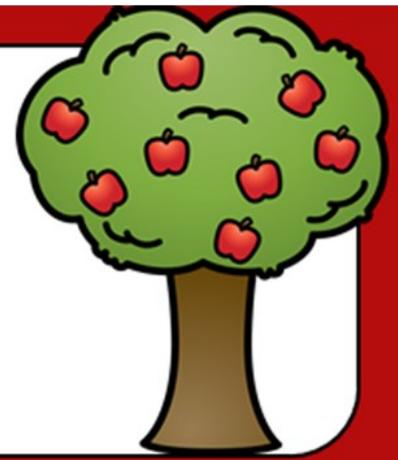
This year we have condensed three carpools into two. Miss Meghan/Miss Catherine's classes and Mrs. Dery's (Miss Chrissy's sub) class will arrive at 8:00am and dismiss at 11:15, unless they are attending pm programs. Miss Amanda/Miss Chris' and Mrs. Louis' class will arrive at 8:15 and dismiss at 11:30. All of Miss Stefi's two year olds will arrive at school at 8:45 and dismiss at 11:15am. We will also have a 2:00pm carpool for our Extended day and Stay & Play children.

To keep carpool orderly, all teachers will be assigned a different job for carpool, so it may not necessarily be your child's teacher who gets them out of the car. They will however see their teacher at the gate or on the playground. Also remember at dismissal time, always hang your carpool number in the front windshield, so that we know who to get ready for dismissal.

If your child is staying for our Discovery Program (2pm-5:30pm) you will need to park your car and come to the classroom door to pick up your child. They will be in room 3 which is the third door on the right in the front playground. It will have Miss Colleen's name on the window.



Welcome to our little Two year old friends



We are so very excited to welcome your children to CWG-WWS for their very first time. We understand this is something new for them and that there may be some separation anxiety on both our parents and children's minds. We are prepared for that and will give your children lots of TLC so they feel comfortable and have lots of fun. Our goal at the beginning of the school year is to make them feel welcome and develop trust in us and know that we love them and want them to have the best experience. We will have a wonderful year getting to know your little ones.

The color of the month is

RED

M/WF Class 9/22

T/TH Class 9/23

Have your child wear some red

Some activities for the month

During the first week it will be all about getting to know each other. Introducing themselves, telling us a little about what they like, making new friends and introducing all kinds of materials around their classroom.

For "About Me" day they will be making collage handprints and Miss Stefi will measure how tall they are and for Friends day they will be creating a friendship dab-a-dot picture for each other.

During the week of 9/18 the shape of a circle and the color red will be our themes. They will be working with red paint (how fun will that be). Make sure to have your child wear red on 9/22 or 9/23.

The week of 9/25 the classes will learn all about apples and Feeling Happy. Looks like a great month to look forward to.

Some books for the month

We read a lot of books during the day. Here are some that go along with our themes for the month; How Does Baby Feel, School flannel Board story, I Like Myself, Play, Play, Play, The Crayon's Book of Feelings and Way Up High in the Apple Tree among many more books and flannel board stories.





What's happening in our Three Year Old classes this month?



Welcome back to our returning students and a big welcome to our new students. We are so happy you have chosen us to teach your children and we are excited for a great year ahead.

The children, we're sure, will have a period of time to settle in, but that is what we are here for. So even if there's a bit of nervousness or crying at the beginning keep in mind (and we've all been doing this for a long time) that as soon as they are in the classroom and see all of the activities and get a couple of big hugs, they are so excited and get down to the business at hand which is playing, learning and making new friends.

Color of the month is RED
Miss Meghan + Miss Catherine's
Class 9/21
Miss Amanda + Miss Chris'
Class 9/14 + 9/15

Some Activities during the month

During the first week, the teachers will familiarize the children with their classrooms; where do I put my bag, introduce centers to them, what kinds of art materials will we be using among so many new things to learn.

The children will talk about themselves, family and friends the next week. They will also be talking about apples even making applesauce.

Clifford will make his entrance mid month and lots of activities will be done and books will be read.

Red day will take place on the dates above. Make sure to have your child wear something red on those days.

What will we read this month?

Lots and lots of great books will be read to go along with our themes. Some of them are Clifford the Big Red Dog, Made for Me, The Giving Tree, A Spot of Emotion, Our Class is a Family, I Like Myself, Will You Be My Friend, Clifford Goes to School, Bear Sees Colors and there are many more. We love to read at CWG-WWS!!





News from our 4 year old Classes



Welcome to all of our students, students that have returned to us and our new students just joining our school. We are so excited to have 2 full classes of 4 year olds plus a full class of kindergarten students. We will have so much fun learning this year.

Our themes for the month will include Introduction to our classrooms, celebrating the children's first week in school, a Me Day, family day and then during the second week we will start talking about apples. The children will be taste testing various color apples and graphing favorites.

Pete The Cat will make his entrance during the last part of the month. The children will be fingerprinting with blue, making a Pete the Cat collage and Pete will help the children write the classroom rules. During this week the children will also take a tour of the school to see where all of the other classrooms are and see all of the other students and teachers.

All in all it sounds like a very exciting first month.



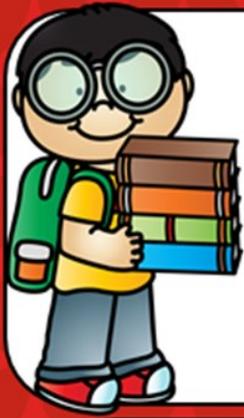
The color of the month is Red
Miss Meghan & Miss Catherine's
Class 9/21
Miss Gabby's Class 9/21

Classes will be introduced to the letter A this month. The children will be making Apple frames for a surprise. They will be learning what the letter looks like and how it sounds. Various games and activities during the day will involve learning the letter A. They include See It, Say It, Sign It, Building the Alphabet, Animal Alphabet Move and Groove and listening to the book Alpha and Bet.

Some of the books we will enjoy this month

Pete the Cat Rocking in His School Shoes, Pete the Cat and the Perfect Pizza Party and a book about his 4 groovy buttons, Apples for Everyone, Brown Bear, Brown Bear, I Love My Family, How Do Apples Grow?, A Was Once An Apple Pie, I Like Myself and Our Classroom is a Family and these are just a few. Lots and lots of reading going on!!





Kindergarten News for September

Welcome to CWG-WWS Kindergarten

We are very excited to begin another year of Kindergarten at our school. Welcome back to our returning students and a big welcome to new incoming students. New Reading and Math programs that align with the local elementary schools will be presented this year.

Letters T, B, F, N & M will be learned this month.

Apples will also be a fun part of the curriculum this month. Activities will include taste testing apples and graphing the favorites. Pete the Cat will make his way into the classroom during the month. The children will have fun fingerpainting with Pete's favorite color blue, making a Pete the Cat collage and the children will be graphing their favorite Pete the Cat book.



Brand new Reading Program Fontas Pinnell System

This is one of the reading systems that is used in the Nashua Public Schools. We purchased this program this past spring with grant \$'s and Mrs. Louis has been studying it over the summer. We are proud that we are able to present this to our K students this year. We will send out more info on this as the year progresses.

The following is a direct quote from the first module of the Eureka Math program that we purchased for the 2021-2022 school year. Mrs. Louis is a pro at it and the children are very prepared for first grade:

"Module Overview Lesson 1 Module 1: Numbers to 1 Grade K • Module 1 Numbers 1 to 10 OVERVIEW The first day of Kindergarten is long anticipated by parents and young students. Students expect school to be a dynamic and safe place to learn, an objective that is realized immediately by their involvement in purposeful and meaningful action. In Topics A and B, classification activities allow students to analyze and observe their world and articulate their observations. Reasoning and dialogue begin immediately. "These balloons are exactly the same." "These are the same but a different size." "As Topic B closes, students recognize cardinalities as yet one more lens for classification. "I put a pencil, a book, and an eraser, three things, in the backpack for school." "I put five toys in the closet to keep at home." "From the moment students enter school, they practice the counting sequence so that when counting a set of objects, their attention can be on matching one count to one object, rather than on retrieving the number words."

Some books for the month

The Night Before Kindergarten, Kindergarten Here I Come, Will You Be My Friend, The Tooth Book, Brown Bear, Brown Bear, The Very Lonely Firefly, Apples for Everyone, Good Night Moon, LMNOP Book, Pete the Cat Rocking in My School Shoes, Pete and His Four Groovy Buttons, Pete and The Wheels on the Bus among many more. Can't wait for all of these fun books.

