

# November Newsletter

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## Blue Dolphins

It's hard to believe October is already behind us! Thank you to all the families that made all the field trips and the Fall Festival so successful; we could not have done it without you and all the children had a wonderful time.

We are looking forward to a great November. Our cookbook project and Fall themed activities will continue throughout the month as we explore the changing weather and have more cozy indoor time. We'll plan a pajama party and make some hot cocoa and apple cider to share with our friends.

November is a great time to reflect on all that we have to be thankful for, and

this concept will be fully explored in class through artwork, discussions, and journaling. Some academic concepts we're working on in-



### **The tradition of the pre-K turkey this month!!**

clude capital and lowercase letters, basic addition and subtraction, seasons and weather, sorting, and sequencing.

We will also be planning on making our turkey for the family potluck this month! It has become a tradition of pre-k to cook a turkey to share with the families and this year with the cooking unit the children are really excited that it is their turn!

Have a great November

Ms. Jessica and Ms. Michelle

## Purple Sharks

The children had a lot of fun doing the cooking activities. This month. We will be finishing up some recipes and work on putting together the cookbook. As thanksgiving is approaching we will be talking about what friends are. What are good friendly choices and

how we can help other. In class we will be doing more fine motor skills work and the children will each have a journal were they can write in it whenever they wish too. The journals will also be available to the parents to look at. The children have been really interested in dra-

matic play. I will be working on putting together a bigger area were they can enjoy dramatic play. We will also send the artwork from October home.

Ms. Jeanette and Ms. Lauren





Turkey crafts and pinecone turkeys in the Rainbow Fish room this month!!

## Rainbow Fish

This month we will be focusing on friends, happiness, and Fall Turkey crafts!!; including turkey centerpieces, pinecone turkeys and transforming our tree into a thanksgiving tree.

If you have not come into the Rainbow fish room in awhile you might not have noticed that our learning station and work areas have been centered around our rainbow tree. The purpose of this is to further enhance the homelike feeling in our classroom and to allow the children to focus and contribute to large class projects by working at the center and

adding it to our tree. We will be taking down the Halloween items and sending them home.

Starting this month we will begin working on other projects with a theme of working together and friendship. Much of the money that came from the rainbow fish basket at the auction will be used to purchase some more Montessori materials to further enhance the learning stations in the classroom. We will also be purchasing a new alphabet chart, and a new number chart for our group time area.

We look forward to also con-

tributing to our fall potluck with a tasty rainbow fish soup. The children are getting really good at sorting, pouring, and cutting ingredients for cooking projects and cutting stations. Ms. June and Ms. Brittney



Learningden  
Fall Potluck  
November  
16th 5:30-  
7:00pm!!



## Green Turtles

October went by so quickly and now that it is November the holidays are going to be coming up on us fast! This month we will be working on some more fall projects including fun Thanksgiving projects, like turkey handprints! We look forward to the upcoming months and all the fun and special moments that the holidays bring! We all want to thank everyone that helped to make our fall festival such a

fantastic day; it was so much fun to see all of the families gather for a wonderful event. This month we want to welcome our new green turtle friends Amelia and Kyra!

We will be purchasing some new things for the Rainbow fish classroom with the money we raised from the Date Night Basket! Look for some great new additions to our class-

room. We are also looking forward to all our families joining in celebration of Fall with us at our Fall potluck!

Happy Birthday to

Cora 11/17  
Penelope 11/10  
Kyra 11/13

Ms. Jennifer and Ms. Brandi

## Fall Potluck

It has been a Learningden tradition to have a Fall gathering for the families at the Learningden! We have quite a few new families and this is a great way to come enjoy a meal and meet other members of the Learningden Family. It is also a great night to look at the Children's art work and explore

your Child's classroom. The evening is a harvest feast theme. Pre- K will make a turkey and all the classrooms will contribute to the meal. It is up to everyone else to bring a dish that serves 8-10 people while the children will provide all the centerpieces, and decorations for the evening. Sign

ups will be on the parent board by Monday 11/7 of next week. We hope all of you can come and enjoy this special evening!

This Years Harvest Feast will be held on November 16th from 5:30p- 7:00p

# Calendar

November 3rd 10am – a Visit from the Beekeeper

November 7th - Fall potluck Sign ups

November 9th - Guppy Golf Payments Due

November 11th - Veterans day school closed

November 16th - Harvest Potluck– 5:30p-7:00p at the Learningden

November 23rd-25th - Thanksgiving Break

Note– 2012 holiday schedules will be out November 18th and will be emailed as well as available online.

*A special thanks to all the parents who planned, contributed and purchased items for the fall festival. It was a great success!!*

## Recap of the Fall festival

Wow what a great first Fall Festival. Thank you so much to Paige Shields for coordinating much of the event and to Megan Moya for helping set up, put up signs, and running the bake sale. I would also like to thank Aimee Zygomosky for all her help coordinating, setting up, and being an active role in the festival. I could continue to personally thank everyone involved because I appreciate and enjoyed all your help and dedi-

cation to the event. We would also like to thank everyone who contributed to the silent auction items and give a special thanks to the Burkholder family for their generous contributions. Everyone’s support was appreciated and contributed greatly to the success of the auction.

As a whole, everyone was a part of making the Fall Festival a huge success. \$2,005.20 have been raised

before expenses and we are planning to use the money to buy a new umbrella for outside, get more sand, get more outdoor storage, buy some more Montessori materials and start to do the renovation of the pre-k classroom. All the proceeds from classroom baskets will go directly to their respective classrooms to be used towards materials, and classroom improvements. Thanks Again  
Mrs. Erika

## What's Growing in our Outdoor Classroom?

Our curriculum theme for November is “Harvest.” The children will explore farms, farm animals and fruits & veggies. We will have a field trip to Fairview Gardens where we will have a chance to feed and brush the goats and harvest eggs from the hen house. School projects will include making spicy

scented play-doh, and pomanders. We’ll be playing with farm animals in the sensory table and acting out the story of the Three Little Pigs and the Little Red Hen. Hopefully we will get the big garden by the bike parking area started up again this month!

We are also really looking forward to our visit from the beekeeper November 3rd at 10am !

Ms. Ildi



**Harvest is the theme of the month and many spicy treats are planned for the children !**