

November 2018

Dear Parents,

A big thank you to all of the parents who donated snacks and treats for our Halloween party. We really had a great time and the children all looked so cute!

This month we will be concentrating on the themes of harvest and thankfulness, and the First Thanksgiving. We will also spend time on letters D-G and continue our focus on jobs and occupations. Some of the children already know the name of their parent's jobs and what Mommy and Daddy do all day while they are here with us at Beechwood. We are enjoying learning about what the "people in our neighborhood" do to help us and make a better community.

Thinking of the upcoming holidays, we are always looking for visitors to come in and enrich our class with new ideas and books. Know any veterans? We would love a former or present service member to come and talk to us on Veterans' Day! Also, please feel free to contact us with any crafts, cooking, stories, music or other ideas you would like to share with us during the holiday season. In addition, if your family observes any holidays other than Hanukah or Christmas during this time of year (or at any time), please let us know and we would love to learn about it.

We have been getting ready for our Fall Parent conferences in the last month or so. Each child has been asked to demonstrate certain skills, but we are pretty sure that they have thought that Mrs. Bier and Ms. Wendy just like to play new games every few days! All conferences will be held the week of November 26-30. A sign up sheet will be up on our class information board. Please keep in mind that the conferences are limited to 15 minutes in order to accommodate each family.

With the cooling weather, please remember to dress your child warmly for outdoor play. We are practicing putting on our coats by ourselves and zipping and buttoning. The easier the coat is to put on and zipper, the better! Also, most children find mittens are much easier to manage than gloves at this age.

Lastly, we are participating in the Holiday Food Drive. Our class is collecting cans of chicken or turkey gravy. The children can bring their donations into the classroom and then we will place them in the collection containers as a group. We will talk about the importance of helping those less fortunate and the being grateful to what we do have.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Linda Bier

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