



November Newsletter 2015

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Our servus project for this year is going to be a partnership with our local Food Bank.

We have created a item specific calander for the food bank and every month we will tell you what item we are collecting . Feel free to drop them in the Food Bank tub where you sign in and we will deliver monthly. This months item is;

Toothbrushes and Toothpaste

We would like to ask that all of the kindergarten children please have at least one change of clothes here at the program as well as a blanket and inside shoes. We are finding that we need to offer a quiet time in the afternoon and I think they would enjoy cozying up with a blanket in the afternoon. They may or may not sleep but the intent is just to provide some quiet and down time. As we begin to anticipate the change in weather I am asking that all the other children **please have a pair of inside shoes or slippers here at the program.** They will not be able to wear their outdoor footwear into the center once there is snow and water on the ground and they need something on their feet in case of emergency.

Dates to Remember

November 11, 2015

Closed for Remembrance Day

November 12-13, 2015 PD Day- Swimming day

November 20 PD Da JS, TR, and UE-Abbey Center

November 27 PD Day – Abbey Center

Accreditation Update

We are on the final stretch of the Accreditation process. We are now waiting to have our site visit. There are lots of little changes and improvements to come in the coming weeks. We also need many more Accreditation consents from you families, please see us if you have not already done one. We are also trying to make sure that our records are up to date so we will be asking you to review your records with us this month.

Thank you to those of you to came out to our Parent info night.

Fee increase takes effect November 15, 2015

Please remember we serve lunch daily – menus are posted for your revue

Parent Handbooks are now available for all families we just ask that you take a few minutes for us to go over them with you at a time that works best for you.

Fees are due by the 15th of the month or they will be subject to a \$45.00 Late Fee.

We will be closed November 11, 2014 for Remembrance Day.

We are open on all Snow days and school closures from 7:00am to 6:00pm

Did you know that we are reading to your child daily?

This month we are reading the book **THE BARN by AVI**

This story takes place in late 1855 and is a reminder about resilience, hope and resourcefulness. Ask your child to tell you about the story daily... We will also be doing activities, art projects and other activities that relate to our story over the course of the month. We will be sure to display our work for you to see.

We will be looking for another book soon if you have any suggestions or requests please let us know, we are especially interested in stories that take place in other times, different cultures and places new to us. This creates opportunities for conversations, language development, empathy, cultural awareness and sensitivity. Please share with us any stories we are aware of that could relate to your families culture as well.

Cold and Flu Season

Please remember that as this season begins we take every precaution we can to prevent the spread of disease here at the center. We are adamant about hand washing, surface cleaning and coughing into your sleeve not your hands. Please encourage this at home as well. We encourage you to keep your child home if they have a fever, thick green discharge or are considered contagious.

Items we are looking for:

Milk Cartons

Milk Carton lids

Magazines

Catalogs

Clean tin cans of all sizes

Children's DVD's (general)

Shoe boxes

Dietary Needs:

If your child requires specific dietary restrictions or allergies please feel free to ring item for them from home. We will label them and store them for your child's use. Especially bread and dairy. Menus are posted for your review monthly and will be available on our website and can also be emailed to you.

Our Website is almost ready to launch we will be announcing its startup date shortly

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