

WEE KNOW SCHOOL

"A preschool experience providing quality early childhood education in a loving environment!"

It's been a beautiful October with colors galore! Fall hikes, field trips, pumpkin picking and carving were just some of the month's activities. With cooler temperatures upon us please make sure your child always has appropriate outdoor clothing <u>each day</u>. Conferences will be held this month. Dates and sign-up information are in your classroom news. Wee Know will be closed on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 23rd and 24th for the Thanksgiving holiday. Enjoy this special time with your family!

INDEPENDENCE SKILLS

As the school year progresses our teachers encourage independent skills as the children are ready. Presently, upon arrival they hang up their coats and bring lunches/water bottles to the designated classroom area. Throughout the day they are learning to do many things on their own.... hand washing, bathroom procedures, after play and lunch clean-up, etc. We ask parents to encourage these tasks at home. It may take a bit more time, however, the overall pride of accomplishing these skills builds confidence in each child which is very important in their overall development!

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Throughout the month classes will hold parent-teacher conferences. Please watch your email for a Sign-Up Genius invitation to reserve a date and time to meet with your child's teacher. Our teachers look forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's social and emotional adjustment. Conferences will be 15 minutes in length and are optional. Check the classroom calendar on back of this newsletter for conference dates. *Please note that class will be in session on these days.

BLUEBIRD NEWS

from Mrs. Svehlek, Ms. Heather & Mr. Peter



Thanks to all who were able to accompany us to Ebert's Farm! We enjoyed a great brisk start to the day and appreciated your help this busy morning with the children and pumpkins. October flew by! The Bluebirds have discussed fall and the changing seasons, pumpkins and apples! We have learned the letters A-f along with numbers 1-5, shapes, and colors. We will end the month with our Halloween costume party that will include a yummy pizza lunch. Some of our favorites this month were "Way Up High in the Apple Tree" and the book 5 Little Pumpkins.

NOVEMBER THEMES

Oct. 30- Nov. 3



Nov. 6-10

Nov. 13-17

Nov. 27- Dec. 1

Five Senses; "Ff"

After we celebrate Halloween, we will move into our five senses. Nature walks, taste tests, exploring scents and textures, and listening to see if sounds are the same or different are just a few ways we will use our senses this week.

Germs "Gg"

This week we will learn about germs! We will talk about how "germs are ick, they make us sick". We will talk about how germs spread and how to prevent them from spreading by covering coughs/sneezes, using tissues and most importantly, proper handwashing.

Turkeys; "Hh"

Turkeys everywhere! We will have tons of fun with turkey art, games and books this week while also talking about giving thanks at Thanksgiving.

Manners & Giving Thanks; Review E-H

This week we will continue talking about what we are thankful for. Learning good manners is especially important, so we will focus on ways to show good manners this week. We will create a special placemat and cook some yummy food for snack. Wee Know will be closed Thursday & Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday. *Happy Thanksgiving!*

Sights & Sounds of Christmas; Review E-H

Christmas season is here, and we will begin to talk about all the sights and sounds related to this special holiday! Santa, reindeer, jingle bells and candy canes here we come!

FAMILY TURKEY FEATHER PROJECT

Each family is asked to decorate the "feather" in any way they would like. Be "cre8ive" and use this as fun family time! Your child will have an opportunity to talk about their feather with the class, as we assemble a beautiful "tom turkey" for our classroom bulletin board. Feathers are due on or before Friday, November 3rd.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Conferences will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 8th & Thursday, Nov. 9th during the day. Mrs. S looks forward to discussing your child's social/emotional adjustment to our classroom with you. Look for an email to sign-up for a date and time through Sign-Up Genius. Class will be in session these days.

WINTER CLOTHING

Cool weather is here! Jackets and/or heavy sweaters are necessary, especially at our 10am outside time. Hats and mittens are recommended, as well. Mittens are easier and preferred. When the snow flies, boots and snow pants will be required to play outside. **Remember to label all clothing and both boots & mittens!!** Teachers will be checking your child's extra clothing in their white cubby baskets. It should be changed to warmer clothes and include underwear, pants, shirt, and socks. We are requesting that a pair of snow pants and boots be kept at school for the duration of the week if possible. We will send them home on your child's last day each week.

TURKEY TIME BLUEBIRD PARENT PARTY

On Thursday, November 16th, we host our "Turkey Time Party" for both children and a parent (or special adult) from 9:00-10:15am. Watch for a formal invitation with more details to come home in your child's folder soon!

