

~Preschool~

What a beautiful Fall it has been! The beautiful weather allowed for many outdoor activities and learning opportunities as we observed the physical changes we see during the fall months. Inside, we enjoyed cooking up apple cider and apple cider donuts, creating leaf art, learning about apples, pumpkins and more. It was a great start to the fall season.

As we head into the month of November, we are preparing to learn about our virtue of the month: Thankfulness. Within this focus we talk about things in our lives that we are thankful for. Family is one of the core things that stick out during this topic, so we will spend time learning about each other's family and things that make them special to us. This is a great time to check our classroom family board to see if your child has a family picture posted. The children take comfort in seeing their family pictures throughout the day, so if your child does not have one, please consider sending one in. Family pictures can be a simple selfie style picture!

During this time of year, we begin to celebrate many holidays and traditions. Our discussions often follow what the children talk about during their time at school. Thanksgiving, Hanukkah and Christmas are common celebrations that come up in conversations each year. If there are holidays that your family celebrate this time of year, we would love to include those in our activities. There will be half sheets of paper next to the question of the day for families to fill out if they would like.

Also, throughout the month we will spend our science exploration on feathers and corn. The children will take part in activities that allow them to investigate different types of feathers and observe them up close using a microscope. We will use corn in a variety of experiments, working on making predictions and documenting what we find. Lastly, our conferences are the week of the 18th. If you haven't had a chance to sign-up, the forms are posted on the classroom parent board. Each family will receive a reminder slip the day before their conference. We are looking forward to having the opportunity to share about your child's growth and development during this time.

Reminders:

- *Please make sure your child has extra clothing in their cubbies
- *You can bring in chapstick and hand lotion for your child to help with chapped skin (In original containers)
- *We go outside twice a day! Please make sure your child has: Coat, hat, boots, snowsuit and mittens (waterproof)

Happy November,
Your Preschool Team