





Dear Families,

Thank you all so much for signing up to bring supplies for our feast! On Thursday, our feast day, we ask that at least one caregiver be present for each preschooler. Please let a teacher know if that will not be possible. Our feast is a fun, family event and the kids will work hard preparing the food.

#### Our ACP Feast!

When: Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> 2018 Where: Marie Murphy School Room 139 Time: 10:30(AM class) and 2:00(PM class).



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# Teaching Strategies GOLD: Progress Reports

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### **Backpacks and Folders**

Preschoolers should arrive at school with their backpack every day. Please clean out your preschooler's backpack if there is anything inside. Having lots of toys inside the backpack or a full folder is distracting to most of the kids and eats up instructional time. It also makes the back too heavy!

#### Building a Reader

Reading for just 10-15 minutes every day will greatly benefit your child! Here are some tips to help your child become a reader:

- Have your child turn the pages.
- Encourage your child to fill in rhymes as you read.
- Notice patterns in the text or illustrations
- Have your child be the "reader" and read the pictures to you.
- Notice and talk about letters and the sounds they make.
- Read books yourself to model good reading habits and help your child value books!

Thank you!





Center	Activities	Why are these activities so important?
Blocks	Wooden farm and farm animals Wooden blocks Paw Patrol and PJ Masks toys	Creative play; turn taking; strengthening fine and gross motor skills; task persistence and problem solving
Table Toys and Games	Color matching pegboard pictures ABC Acorn letter sounds Counting fall objects	Visual discrimination; measurement and size; turn taking with a peer; hand-eye coordination
Dramatic Play	Grocery Store -Shopping carts -Roles: shopper, cashier and clerk -Various grocery items, word wall and sale signs!	Developing language and social skills; socialization and building friendships; imaginative and pretend play; sharing materials and turn taking
Writing	Fall word wall, paper, crayons, markers, scissors and stickers	Fine motor skills; early literacy; language development
Library	Fall-themed books Friendship and sharing-books	Book-handling skills; social interactions; imaginative and pretend play; early literacy
Sensory	Build-a-Turkey play dough activity with feathers, eyes and number stamps  Sensory- Turkey soup water table	Sensory; fine motor development; volume and measurement; science concepts-sink/float, solid/liquid, hard/soft; sharing materials with peers
Snack	Snack as a full group Thursday: feast	Self-help; language development and social skills
Art	Fall hats Handprint turkeys Fall mural group activity	Expressing creativity; developing fine motor skills; Applying new knowledge
Science	Exlporing hay, scarecrows and other fall objects	Exploring cause and effect; making observations; turn taking with peers

## **Important Dates:**

11/16: ACP Feast Family Event 11/20-11/24 No School Thanksgiving holiday

## November Birthdays:

5th- Zev (AM class) 14<sup>th</sup>- Emilia (PM class) Please contact us anytime!

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