



November Newsletter

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Reminder

Watch Me Grow will be Closed

November 27, 2014
 Thanksgiving

November 28, 2014
 Family Day



A Child's Thanksgiving Tree

Kids say the funniest things....

With Thanksgiving just around the corner, it reminds me of something my child had said when I asked her what she was thankful for.

A: "I'm most thankful for my mom, dad, grandma and grandpa. I'm thankful for all my family. Oh yeah, I guess my little sister, too."

- Construction paper: red, orange, yellow, green, brown
- Poster board
- Pen
- Glue stick
- Tree Trunk
- Paint for border of bulletin board (optional)

Family Engagement/ Parent Education Opportunities

Date: November 13, 2014
 Time: 6:30-8:30
 Location: Watch Me Grow
 Presenter: Alina Ruiz- "Family Literacy"

1. Trace children's hands on sheets of red, orange, green and yellow construction paper. You or the kids write what they are thankful for on one side, and write their names and the year on the back side.
2. Cut the tree from brown paper. Use a glue stick to attach the tree to the poster board.
3. Use glue stick to attach the hands to the tree.

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*Child Care and Refreshments provided

This Months Curriculum Themes

The November monthly curriculum theme is Family and Heritage. Each week, the teachers will focus on a different topic pertaining to this month's theme. They will learn about different cultures and heritages from their families and families around the world. They will become more aware of nutrition and the benefits of healthy eating.

The children will also be learning about Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is celebrated as a day of giving thanks for the blessing of the harvest and of the preceding year. The cornucopia is a traditional Thanksgiving decoration. The children will also learn about the First Thanksgiving with the Pilgrims and Indians.

Please review the monthly center activity calendar. We have a number of special events and activities this month.



Turkey Cookies

Ingredients

- 1 roll (16.5 oz) Pillsbury™ refrigerated sugar cookies or 1 package (16 oz) Pillsbury™ Ready To Bake!™ refrigerated sugar cookies (24 cookies)
- 1 container (16 oz) chocolate creamy frosting
- Candy corn
- Orange decorating icing
- Miniature candy-coated chocolate baking bits

Steps

1. Bake cookies as directed on roll or package. Cool completely, about 10 minutes.
2. Spoon chocolate frosting into 1-quart storage bag; seal bag. Cut off tiny bottom corner of bag. On each cookie, pipe frosting on outer edge of half of cookie. Arrange candy corn over frosting for feathers.
3. Pipe orange icing onto each cookie to resemble turkey face and feet. Use orange icing to attach baking bits to turkey face for eyes. Pipe black gel on baking bits for centers of eyes.

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4. Use a piece of yellow construction paper as a border and a smaller piece of white paper glued on top of it, then write your family surname and "Kid's Thanksgiving Tree" with a black marker. Attach to the top of the bulletin board with glue stick.



Daily Parenting Tip-

12 Tips for making your home safer

1. Look around your home for potential risk areas such as tripping hazards, like low furniture, and uneven surfaces, such as the transitions between tile and carpet.
2. Make sure your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide monitors are working - with the start of daylight savings time today, it's a good time to check the batteries.
3. Make a plan that all family members understand for evacuating your home in an emergency. Establish a place to meet once people have escaped.
4. Cover electrical outlets so curious children won't get hurt.
5. Post the Poison Control phone number close to the land lines in the house (1-800-222-1222) and program it into your phones.
6. Set your hot water heater at 120°F or lower to prevent burns. A child under 5 exposed to 140°F or higher can get 3rd degree burns after 1 second of exposure.
7. Surround swimming pools with four-sided fencing at least 5 feet high to prevent drowning.
8. Never leave the stove unattended while cooking when your kids are around. Move anything flammable like towels and plastic bags at least 3 feet away from the hot stovetop.
9. Turn your pot handles inward so no one can knock or pull the pans off the stove.
10. Lock medicines and cleaning supplies away from kids.
11. Check cleaning products and medicine for child-proof caps.
12. Watch for cleaning product labels that show pictures of fruit or other foods, which may make a child think its ok to drink or eat.

Inspirational quote.....

"No matter how calmly you try to referee, parenting will eventually produce bizarre behavior, and I'm not talking about the kids. Their behavior is always normal."

— Bill Cosby