



Litchfield Park Preschool Newsletter

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News

Pictures

School picture proofs will arrive by mid November. Please look over the proofs and once you decide which pose you would like to purchase please turn in your order package with payment to Ms. Seye.

Thanksgiving Break

There are a variety of fun activities that parents can explore with their preschool children during the holidays. Enjoy your family traditions, have a good time creating yummy desserts from simple recipes, taking nature walks, and reading books together.

Reminders

- * **December 2016 tuition is due Tuesday, November 15, 2016.** Please make sure to remit payment on or before the due date to avoid the \$15 late fee.
- * **Can you help?** We are looking for an adult volunteer from each class to assemble 16 reindeer antler headband kits for the children to wear during our Christmas program. Please let Ms. Seye know if you are interested in volunteering with this project.
- * **Christmas in the Park!** On Saturday, December 10, the preschool classes will perform at Christmas in the Park. Save the date! Details to follow.

Odds & Ends

- * **Breakfast is the most important meal of the day.** Breakfast provides our children with the energy and nutrients that lead to increased concentration in the classroom. It also provides energy for activities during the morning and helps to prevent mid-morning slumps.
- * **For our students safety** only instructors and registered students are permitted within the classroom. This is a mandate of the Arizona Department of Health & Human Services.
- * **Please take your child to the restroom before class.** For the safety of the children, we are unable to open the potty door until all the children have arrived and we have taken attendance.
- * **Please REFRAIN from bringing in toys from home.**
"Show N Tell" is only on Wednesdays for ABC Explorer students and Thursdays for Adventures in Learning students.
- * **Please continue working with your child at home.** Classroom learning reinforced by parent involvement builds a strong team to enrich your preschooler's early childhood education.



Important Dates

November 11

Veterans Day (No School)

November 15

Tuition due

November 23 –25

Thanksgiving break

December 19 –30

Winter break

Weekly Themes

October 31 - November 4

Fall Harvest

Letter of the week "E, e"

November 7 - 10

Pets

Letter of the week "F, f"

November 14 - 18

Giving Thanks

Letter of the week review "G, g"

November 21 - 22

Thanksgiving Harvest

Letter of the week review "A-G"

November 28 - December 2

Arctic Friends

Letter of the week review "H, h"

Spirit / Show & Tell

November 2 & 3

Silly sock day

November 9 & 10

Bring a picture of your pet or a pet you wish to have

November 16 & 17

Tell a story about a heroic act someone in your family has done

November 23 & 24

No Show n' Tell (Thanksgiving break)

November 30 & December 1

Bring in your favorite "pet" stuffed animal

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Teacher's Corner

As the year progresses, relationships and friendships are growing! As a teacher, I continue to discover and enjoy your child's unique personality and talents.

Every other Thursday/Friday the preschool distributes student homework packets. The purpose of the work is to review and emphasize our weekly theme. Please take the time to complete the homework packets with your child to reinforce the weekly concepts.

In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, our classes will not meet on Wednesday, November 23 through Friday, November 25. Take the time to make a pumpkin pie with your child (recipe below) or to have an interesting Thanksgiving discussion with your preschooler (refer to the Thanksgiving Talking Points below). *Happy Thanksgiving!*

No-Bake Pumpkin Pie

What You Need:

- 5.1 ounce package instant vanilla-pudding mix
- ½ cup milk
- 1 cup canned pumpkin-pie filling
- 1 container (8 ounces) whipped topping
- 1 graham-cracker pie crust

What To Do:

1. Put the pudding mix and the milk in a plastic container with a tight-fitting lid. Shake the container until the pudding is thick.
2. Put the pudding in a bowl. Add the pumpkin-pie filling and mix well.
3. Gently fold in half of the whipped topping.
4. Pour the mixture into the pie crust.
5. Add the remaining whipped topping.
6. Cover and freeze at least 2 hours. Enjoy!

Source: <https://www.highlights.com/parents/recipes/no-bake-pumpkin-pie>

Thanksgiving Talking Points

- Why do we celebrate Thanksgiving?
- Who and what are you thankful for?
- What do you think the first Thanksgiving was like?
- What's a pilgrim?
- What does our family do to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday?
- Do families in other countries celebrate Thanksgiving?
- What is your favorite Thanksgiving memory?
- What does the word "tradition" mean?
- What are our family "traditions"?