



Teddy Bear
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Teddy Bear Preschool LLC

GAZETTE

November / December 2018

HAPPY FALL

Happy Fall to all of our Teddy Bear families! We've been enjoying all the season has to offer. Our maple and sycamore trees are losing their leaves - making for many imaginative play scenarios on the playground. The dry, crackly, leaves become wings when held out and observed in a child's shadow; they've been torn apart and placed in small piles under the sycamore as "bug food" for the local insects; gathered and placed all together in a woven basket with a few magnifying glasses for close observation; and joyously stomped through just for the sound and sensation. Who needs toys when you have autumn leaves!

We carved a jack-o-lantern and after enjoying it for a few days in a classroom, the children and teachers decided to place it out in the garden and watch it over time. Decomposition! Nature at work! Lots of observation, discussion, theories, suppositions, and conclusions are taking place over there.





CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Christmas Party will be held at the school on Friday, Dec. 14, from 11:15 am to 1:00 pm. This holiday party is our biggest event of the year, with a potluck lunch, children's concert, activities, and a special visit from Santa Claus!

Notices and volunteer sign-up will be on the school entry counter near the end of November. Please mark your calendars for this fun family party!



SCHOOL PICTURES

Photos were taken and orders have been turned in to the photographer. Your finished photo packages should be here within a few weeks. So cute!! Our next school picture days will be in April 2019.

TREE OF THANKS

Watch for our large Tree of Thanks on the wall near our entry counter. Grab a leaf and write a little something for which you are thankful, and tape your leaf to the tree! The staff are grateful for many things - our families, our good health, our time with your children, etc - and you'll see our leaves intermingled with yours. In this time of thanksgiving, we truly enjoy reading your thankful notes and we wish for you all the blessings of the season.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

School will be closed for the following holidays:

Veterans Day - November 12
Thanksgiving - November 22 and 23

Winter Break - December 24, 2018
through January 1, 2019

ENJOY THE SEASON

Here at the preschool, we will be engaged in so many wonderful activities surrounding the fall/early winter season. From outdoor playground adventures in the crisp air with the golden sunshine streaming sideways through the trees to indoor cozy times with books, puppets, and flannelboard stories that bring us the best the season has to offer, it's truly a special time of year. We hope you enjoy your traditions that have been passed down from earlier generations and those traditions that you create anew. 'Tis the season for family, gatherings, and reflection, for gratitude, love, and giving. We hope you and your families enjoy a bountiful Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas!



CHRISTMAS GIFT-GIVING

Are you considering making a few Christmas gifts for your children this year?

Here is a great website that has many GREAT ideas for things you can create that any child would truly love to receive and use for many years to come

<http://diyjoy.com/diy-christmas-gifts-for-kids>

And here is a website that's chock-full of ideas for gifts your kids can make for others.

<http://happyhooligans.ca/40-useful-gifts-kids-can-make/>

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