

Children's Village News



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<u>DATES TO REMEMBER</u> Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences will be November 1st through the 8th. Parents will have the chance to meet with your child's teacher, share ideas and find out what your child enjoys most about school. This conference is for parents only, and childcare is available for children enrolled that day only. Sign-up sheets are located on the sign in and out books.

Please try to keep your appointment, rescheduling may not be possible. We hope everyone can make it.



Time Change

On Sunday, November 3rd we will change the clocks back one hour. Please be aware that it is normal for children to go through an adjustment period during this time. For the children who are picked up later from school, please explain to them that it might be dark when you pick them up, as this can be confusing for children. This will reassure them that you will be here to pick them up at the usual time.

Scholastic Book Club

<u>November</u> Scholastic book orders will be available the week of November the 4th and are <u>due by Thursday</u>, <u>November 14th</u>.

Last month we received 230 bonus points to be used toward books and other materials for the school.

School Closed

School will be <u>CLOSED</u> **Monday the 11th** in observance of Veterans Day.

Park Day

Rooms 1 & 5 will be walking to La Veta Park located @ 3705 E. La Veta Ave, on **XXXXX.** We will be leaving school around 9:15am.

Library Day

Room 3 will be walking to El Modena Branch Library, located at 380 S. Hewes St, on **XXXXX.** We will be leaving school around 9:10am.

Thanksgiving Holiday

School is CLOSED on Thursday the 28th and Friday the 29th in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

MIXED BAGS FUNDRAISER UPDATE

Thank you to all the parents who were able to participate in the Mixed Bags fundraiser. We raised \$2,136.75, including cash donations. This was our most profitable fundraiser ever, THANK YOU! Our goal was to raise enough funds to send our staff to the California Association for the Education of Young Children conference being held in the city of Pasadena in April 2014.

We are very excited about attending this conference! We are happy to say, we raised enough funds to send all of our staff to the conference. ©

REMINDER

Children go outside each day. Please, check to see that your child's "extra clothes" are weather appropriate, and that they have a jacket in their cubby.

CURRICULUM

November's curriculum will consist of topics on harvest, fall leaves, what is a fruit & what is a vegetable, and family.

OLD CROCS/RAIN BOOTS NEEDED

Do you have any Crocs or rain boots your child has outgrown? We are looking for old Crocs /rain boots donations. All donations will be used in our animal area. Thank you!

PLAY IS LEARNING

"Play is simply shorthand for our capacity for curiosity, imagination, and fantasy our creative dispositions," writes David his article, "Preschool Elkind in Academics: Learning What Comes Naturally." "What makes play unique," Elkind continues, "is that it enables us to create new learning experiences. To illustrate, an infant who drops a rattle from the crib, is learning about gravity. He or she is also creating a game with the parent who is retrieving the rattle. In addition, the infant learns that different objects make different sounds when they are dropped. Certainly children can learn these lessons from watching an adult perform the same actions, but it is much more powerful when the infant creates these experiences through his or her own actions. Learning by doing is always much more effective than learning by watching.

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FUNDING FACTORY

Funding Factory is a program that we participate in at Children's Village. Donate your used ink cartridges and old cell phones. For every used ink cartridge or old cell phone sent in, the school can receive up to \$154 for cell phones and \$2.60 for each printer cartridges.

LOOKING AHEAD

December

- * Wednesday, December 4th = Sensory Screening for children 3 years and up
- * Friday, December 13th = School Closes at 5:00pm – Staff Gathering
- * Wednesday, December 19th = "Gift of Giving" Book Exchange
- * Tuesday, December 24th through Wednesday, January 1st = <u>School Closed</u> <u>for Winter Break</u>