Children's Village News

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TIME CHANGE

On **Sunday, November 1st,** we changed 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.

DATES TO REMEMBER

School Closed

School will be **CLOSED Wednesday the 11th** in observance of Veteran's Day.

School Closing Early

The school will be closing at 4:00pm on **Tuesday, November 17th** for Staff Development. All children must be picked up by 4:00pm on this day.

Thanksgiving Holiday

School will be CLOSED on Thursday the 26th and Friday the 27th in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

November Scholastic book orders can now be placed online. Orders can be submitted online:
www.scholastic.com/bookclubs
Our school activation code is: GKJ9B

CURRICULUM

The following areas of focus are common topics that may emerge this month: harvest time, what is a Fruit/Vegetable?, leaves, family, and we are thankful.



CASA

This holiday season we will again be joining the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Orange County in providing holiday joy to children served by the program. CASA is currently serving over 500 children and young adults in the foster care system here in Orange County.

Your family can help by purchasing a gift for a child ranging from birth to age twenty-one. Some suggestions are Legos, dolls, art kits, sports gear, books, science kits, purses or wallets, stuffed animals, headphones and earbuds, makeup, or hair products.

This is an opportunity for your child to experience the Spirit of Giving. If you choose to participate, we strongly encourage you to involve your child in the process by discussing the reasons you are helping, as well as allowing them to choose the gift (depending on age).

We would like all contributions to be turned in by **Monday, November 30th, by 6pm.**
Please do not wrap items (gift bags and cards are okay)

This donation is tax deductible – *Tax ID # 33-0069334.*



HOLIDAY PLANS

Please, let us know if you will be out of the center during any of the upcoming holidays, particularly the week of **November 23th (Mon. 11/23, Tues. 11/24 & Wed. 11/25)** as well as **the week of December 21st (Mon. 12/21, Tues. 12/22 & Wed. 12/23).** Knowing how many children will be absent allows us to plan accordingly and team members may be able to get some extra vacation time in as well.

LOOKING AHEAD IN DECEMBER

Book Exchange

Our Book Exchange is **Tuesday the 8th at 11am.** This is a great opportunity to teach children about the joy of giving/receiving while promoting literacy.

Each child should bring a new wrapped book with a neutral, non-controversial theme to be given to another child in their class ($10 limit please). Label who it is ***from*** only, do not specify who the book is to.

Children not attending school on the day of the "Book Exchange" are welcome to bring a book for the event and can exchange and receive a new book the next time they are in. Alternatively, children not attending on that day are welcome to come to the event at 11:00am but must be accompanied by an adult with immunizations on file.

Kid's Night Out

Kid's Night Out will be on **Friday, December 11th from 6-10:45pm.** This is an opportunity for you, the parents, to go out while your children are having a blast at school. **This event is open to children from 3 months through 6 years.** The cost for children 2 and up is $50 per enrolled child, $40 for enrolled siblings and $60 for non-enrolled children up to 6 years old. The cost for infants is $60. Please note we must have a minimum of 10 children to have the event for preschool age children and a minimum of 3 infants to have the event for infants. **Space is limited, and availability will be granted on a first come, first serve basis.** Sign-ups will start the week of November 23rd, and the last day to sign up is **Wednesday, December 9th.**

Other Important Dates

*** Tuesday, December 8th** = School Closes at 4pm for Staff Development
*** Thursday, December 24th through Friday, January 1st =** School Closed for Winter Break. School re-opens on Monday, January 4th.