St. Michael's Preschool Newsletter

November 2022

Upcoming Events

<u>Chapel</u>

Every *Tuesday* 9:30am- Pre-K Frog & Tiger and Owl classes 10:00- Ducklings, Turtle, Cub and Flamingo classes.

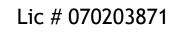
Nov 11th Closed for Veteran's Day

Nov 7th Sees Candy Fundraiser Begins

Nov 24-25 Closed for Thanksgiving Break

Looking Forward to Next Month Þec 2nd Sees Candy Pickup Þec 17th Christmas Craft Party Þec 26-Jan 3 Closed for Christmas Break





Colleen's Corner

Happy November,

October sure flew by! Maybe because it was so much fun?! Thank you to all who came with us to our Smith Family Farm field trip. No better place to spend the day, I hope you all enjoyed it. The Trunk or Treat was a lot of fun too, I had to take pictures of lots of the trunks to save away for next year. We sure have some creative families. The best was seeing everyone being able to meet each other and chat. It sure feels good to be able to do that, it's been too long! Halloween was a blast too! We had so many families join us for the parade and crafts afterwards. Thank you to everyone who helped make this month so fun for the kids! They deserve it.

November brings us thankfulness. We will spend lots of time talking about what being thankful means and who and what we are thankful for. Here at St. Michael's, we are thankful for YOU! We sure have a great group of families.

Many of you know that we have a Parent Advisory Committee that meets monthly to support the school. We have church members on the committee and one parent from the preschool. We are looking for another parent to join us. I promise it's not too much of your time, we usually have one meeting per month via Zoom. Great way to have input on what happens here! Please let me know if you are interested or would like more information.

We also have a new priest here at the St. Michael's. His name is Rev. Steve Sturgeon and after a long search, we were fortunate to have him join us. He will be joining us for Chapel these next few weeks, but don't worry, Mr. Gordon isn't going anywhere!

All of us at St. Michael's wish you the very best Thanksgiving, and know that when we count our blessings, we count all of you!

Love, Ms. Colleen

Classroom News



Fantastic Frogs

Hello Frog Families,

October was a fun and busy month. T included many crafts and a couple of science activities. The kids really enjoyed making ghosts, Frankenstein's, fall trees, and turning themselves into mummies. They loved the pumpkin volcano too! We ended our month with a Halloween parade and doing crafts in the Parish Hall.

We started our Tandem program this month and the kids are doing a great job writing and tracing their papers. I am very proud f them. I really hope that you are enjoying this special reading time with your child. As a reminder, book bags will go home on Wednesdays and are returned the following Monday.

In November we will take a moment to really reflect on what we are thankful for. Love,

Ms. Diana



Outstanding Owls

Terrific Tigers



Hello Tiger Families,

October was a fun month with the Halloween parade and of course the trunk or treat!!! We all had so much fun! It was great seeing all the cars decorated. We have been busy making a lot of Halloween crafts, I hope you have had a chance to stop by the classroom to check them out. They loved getting all messy when we carved our pumpkin and getting all the seeds out. They got to inspect the inside of the pumpkin as well as the seeds, that was so much fun. We also made a volcano with a pumpkin, did some math with candy corn and pumpkin candies. We have been working hard learning to write our names, how to hold and cut with scissors correctly. If you need any ideas for working with your child at home, please let me know.

We started the Tandem book bags this month. We hope that you have been enjoying reading time together. Book bags will go home on Wednesday and need to be returned on Monday. There is a sheet of paper inside the bookbag for you to fill out with your child, you can write their responses in pencil and let them trace over it with a crayon and hopefully by the end of the year they will be able to write it by themselves.

We will also continue working in our workbooks, number books, and practicing writing our names, cutting with scissors. This month we will be talking about everything we are thankful for, holidays around the world and Thanksgiving.

Have a blessed November Love, Ms. Misti

Hi Owl Families,

Wow! What a spooky month October was. We started the month off with The Smith Family Farm Field Trip. The field trip to the farm was a blast! I loved seeing the Owls enjoying the farm and picking out the biggest pumpkin they can find. The Owls are doing really well and engaged during our Circle Time, with singing the songs, picking the right colors, knowing the shapes and making the letters. I will continue to introduce new: letters, colors and shapes during our Circle time. We had a lot of spooky and creative activities. The Owls art activities decorated our classroom, making it a spooky classroom. I love seeing all the Owls art work hanging up all around the classroom making it feel like a haunted classroom. The Owls did a great job making a ghost, we used scissors, glue and paper. They all did an awesome job following the lines to cut out their ghost which turned out AMAZING! We finish the month with a Halloween Parade and party. I loved seeing all my Owls in their costume parading around and enjoying the moment.

November is here and I am thankful to be your TEACHER! This month the Pre-K Owls (ONLY PRE-K) will have a book bag to bring home and enjoy then return, please be on the lookout for it. Book bags will be passed out on Tuesday and will need to be returned back on Monday to switch it out. You will also need to help your Owls fill out the questionnaire by having them either write it or trace it. This month's Themes will be: I am Thankful, Holiday Around The World, Thanksgiving and Christmas. The letters will be S, J, D, P, B, R, and K. The Shapes will be Octagon, Hexagon, Pentagon and Circle. The Colors will be Purple, Pink, Yellow and Green. Let's get ready to be thankful and have some fun.

Love, Mr. Louis

Cub Central



Hello Cub Families!

The excitement of Halloween and the Autumn season made our October very busy. We began the month with all sorts of pumpkin activities and tasted a ton of pumpkin treats. The Cubs definitely like their pumpkin spice! We also talked about Fall harvest and what we could grow. We ended our month with a Halloween celebration, and I know the Cubs had a blast coming to school in their costumes. It was great to see so many of you at our field trip and Trunk or Treat.

November begins our season of gratitude. While we are thankful all year for our blessings, Thanksgiving and the holiday season reminds us how lucky we are to be surrounded by our loved ones at home and at school. This month we will focus on what it means to be thankful and what we are thankful for. We will also explore different holidays around the world and how they are celebrated.

Lastly, I am thankful for you and your children. Your love and support means so much, and I wish you have a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Love,

Ms. Rachelle

Flamingo Fun

Dear Flamingo Families,

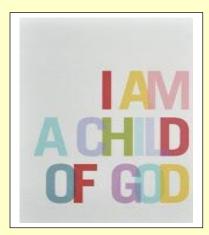
It's hard to believe that we are done with October and getting closer to the end of the year. This month has been filled with so much fun that it flew by so quick. We started the month with learning about pumpkins and making pumpkin crafts. And with that I must say our school trip to Smith family Farm was a huge success. It was so nice to see all my little flamingo friends en joy the day with their families. We had 2 weeks of Halloween fun, with crafts like painting witch's hats, making bats, and our own mummies. I really en joyed seeing all the kids dress up in their costumes and en joy all the Halloween fun and crafts. Thank you to those parents who contributed to our Halloween supplies and those who volunteered for the morning.

We our moving into November which is our month of gratitude. We will talk about the meaning of thanksgiving and our thanksgiving traditions with our family and friends. We will also talk about the things and people we our thankful for. Please remember we will be closed November 24th and 25th.

And lastly I will like to thank all those families that helped me celebrate my birthday with treats, flowers, and gifts! You really made me feel special and loved! Let's move into November with a grateful heart for all the things we our lucky to have in our lives!

Love, Miss Miriam

Chapel Topics11/1Let My People GoExodus11/8The Plagues and Release
of the People.Genisis 7-1210/15Genisis 7-12Genisis 7-1211/29Thanksgiving- Why are We Thankful?11/29The Ten CommandmentsExodus 19-23





Hello Sea Turtles Families!

We are so proud of the Sea Turtles and almost everyone is potty trained. Thank you, families for working with us. Potty training is a huge milestone and it's a big accomplishment.

Every month we have a theme, last month was pumpkins. We tasted everything pumpkin, painted and decorated pumpkins. Our favorite was singing pumpkin songs and touching all different pumpkins.

This month will learn everything about turkeys and we will have activities about gratitude. We will also learn about Thanksgiving and holidays around the world. Big thank you for families donating items from our wish list. We really appreciate it and are excited to use the items.

Have a wonderful month and Happy Thanksgiving. Love,

Ms Kittie and Ms. May

Duckling Details



Hello Duckling families,

October was such a Spook-tacular month! We did all kinds of fun things. We celebrated a lot of birthdays and had fun partying. We did all kinds of different crafts with our Halloween stickers, our spooky ghost art, our super cute Jack-O-Lantern art and our beaded witch brooms. We also enjoyed our sensory activities with our Halloween tub and spider webs. Lastly, the parade was just amazing! Everyone looked great in all of their cute costumes!

With November coming up, and Thanksgiving drawing nearer, we'll discuss the things we are thankful for like our friends, family and teachers. We'll also be doing plenty of Thanksgiving art projects and exploring through sensory with different kinds of Thanksgiving foods. Looking forward to enjoying the month of November with you.

Lots of love ~Ms. Jennifer and Ms. Maria



Just FYI...Every year we do a See's Candy Fundraiser just before Christmas. In the past, we have used the funds to purchase new laminate flooring, to add equipment to the playground, and last year, we used the funds for our new garden.

Many of you know we applied for a grant through Community Care Licensing so that we could increase our outside play area. We were supposed to be notified back in May if we qualified, but I think they have been swamped and we have now been told we will know if we get the grant by Jan 15, 2023.

If we get the grant, we will use those funds to expand the yard. If we don't, we plan on using some of the fundraiser to expand the fenced area ourselves. If we do get the grant, the fundraiser money will be used to make the new outside space AMAZING! An outdoor reading nook, seating around the tree, picnic tables for crafts and so much more....we will keep you posted!

Nov Lunch Menu



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
		l Spanish Rice Peas Mandarins Milk	2 Mac and Cheese Corn Peaches Milk	3 Penne Pasta with Meat Sauce' Green Beans Pears Milk	4 Beanie Weenies Corn Pineapple Milk	
	7 English Muffin Pizza Garden Salad Mixed Fruit Milk	8 Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Veg Stix Cuties Milk	9 Chili Mac French Bread Peaches Milk	10 Beef Tostadas Garden Salad Applesauce Milk	Closed for Veteran's Day	
	14 Chili Corn Chips Mixed Fruit Milk	15 Taco Salad French Bread Applesauce Milk	l6 Chicken Teriyaki and Rice Corn Peaches Milk	17 Chicken Nuggets Garden Salad Applesauce Milk	18 Bean and Cheese Burrito Pears Milk	
	21 Sloppy Joes Corn Peaches Milk	22 Penne Pasta with Meat Sauce Green Beans Peaches Milk	23 Turkey Mashed Potatoes Pineapple Milk	Break! E	25 Thanksgiving njoy your day!	
	28 Chicken Nuggets French Bread Corn Peaches Milk	29 Spanish Rice Peas Pineapple Milk	30 Tomato Soup and Cheese Zombies Apples Milk			



Nov Snack Menu

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
		l Bagels and Cream Cheese with OJ	2 Pancakes and Applesauce French Bread	3 Blueberry Muffins and Oranges	4 French Toast Sticks and Apples String Cheese	
		Yogurt and Fruit	with Cheese and Salame	Cheese Itz Oranges	and Wheat Thins	
	7 Biscuits with Jelly and Oranges Veggie Sticks with Wheat Thins	8 Cinnamon Raisin Toast and Apples Chex Mix and Pears	9 French Toast Sticks and Pears Blueberry Bread and Oranges	ID Life Cereal and Milk Nillas and Bananas	" Closed for Veteran's Day	
	14 Graham Crackers and Bananas Pretzels and Cheese Sticks	15 Pancakes and Pears Belvitas and Oranges	16 Cheesy English Muffins and Pears Cinnamon Pita Chips and Fruit Salsa	17 Bagels with Cream Cheese and Ham Rainbow Muffins and Mandarins	18 Cinnamon Raisin Toast and Apples Trail Mix and Cheese	
	21 French Toast Sticks and Pears Apple Cinnamon Bread and Oranges	22 Granola Bars Apples Cheese Itz and Mandarins	23 Chex Cereal and Milk Pita Chips and Hummus		25 Thanksgiving eak	
	28 French Toast Sticks and Milk Ritz and Hummus with Veggies	29 Blueberry Bread and Oranges Goldfish and Apples	30 Waffles and Applesauce Yogurt and Strawberries			