

# Nursery School NEWSLETTER



# November 2023

#### **Director's News:**

I hope everyone had a fun and safe Halloween. It was so nice to be able to meet everyone at back-to-school night! The teachers and I really enjoyed being able to invite you into the classrooms and share what a typical day for your children looks like here. We hope everyone enjoyed the day at the farm! We were very lucky to have such amazing weather that day. Weather permitting, we will be using the outside playground. Please make sure your children are dressed for the weather. With colder weather upon us, please make sure you label their belongings. Many children tend to have similar hats, gloves and jackets and we want to make sure they return with the same items they came with!

#### Just a few reminders below:

#### LUNCH BUNCH:

Lunch Bunch will be offered each day that class is in session for your child from 11:30- 12:30. Lunch Bunch is our extended day program where the children have the opportunity to bring their lunch to school and learn how to take care of themselves and eat in a group. Of course, socialization is key in the program as the 3's and 4's eat together so they help and learn from one another. The cost of the program is \$15/day your child attends, there is no weekly obligation. Please make sure that the lunch and snacks packed remain nut free. This includes Nutella. All our classrooms are to be a nut free. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### **SCHOOL CLOSINGS:**

Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> - Elections Day Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> - Veterans Day Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> -Thanksgiving Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving Recess



#### FUNDRAISER:

Thank you to everyone who helped support our last fundraiser from the 'Holiday Wishes' catalog. Our next fundraiser is the White Post Farms Thanksgiving Pies and Breads. We will be taking orders up until November 10<sup>th</sup>. You can pick up your orders right here at the school during pick up on Tuesday afternoon. We will be selling some of their award-winning pies, amazing breads, delicious cookies, soups and dips! Don't show up empty handed on Thanksgiving Day.

#### THANK YOU:

Thank you to all of you who joined us at White Post Farm. It was such a treat to be able to watch the children feed the animals and pick pumpkins! We can't wait to do it again next year. Thank you to the Wantagh Fire Department for taking the time to visit us and to teach the children the importance of fire safety. The children were able to see what a firefighter looks like in their full gear. They were told it may seem scary to see them dressed like that, but they are there to help keep them safe and should never hide from one during a fire.





Liam Rogers Greyson Rusignolo Paul Bibla Emily Maltese Anthony Lauro

# **Church Collections:**



#### MR. MITTENS 2023 COLLECTION

The winter winds are here, which means it's time for Mr. Mittens to appear! This year, we continue our tradition of collecting new or gently used winter weather items for the children of Nassau University Medical Center. There are many illnesses which can leave children immunocompromised, especially during cold and flu season. Your generosity helps them to feel comfortable and protected. Donations of the following items may be dropped off in the designated box in the Narthex. You may also shop online and ship to Christ Lutheran. Please have all donations in by December 4th. Thank you for your generosity! \*Hats \* Gloves \* Mittens \* Scarves \* Sweaters \* We are also collecting new or gently used children's books for the NUMC pediatric ward.



#### SEAFARERS 2023 COLLECTION

Help us to show our compassionate support for mariners around the world who cannot be home this Christmas season. The items below are requested so that we may assemble care satchels to be distributed by Seafarers port chaplains. Donations may be dropped off in the Narthex, or purchased online and shipped to Christ Lutheran. Checks made out to Christ Lutheran Church are also accepted. Please have all donations in by December 1st. Volunteers are also welcome to help us assemble the care satchels on December 5th. Thank you for your kindness! \* One sweatshirt, hooded or unhooded, size M, L, or XL \* One T-shirt, size M, L, or XL \* Three pairs of socks, gym or thermal \* One knitted winter cap (no pom-poms, please) \* One coordinating scarf (no pastels or fringe, please) \* One can of nuts, chocolate bar, or healthy snack bar. \* If you are interested in volunteering to assemble care kits, please contact the Church office or speak with Regina Coons, Jan Eastlund, or Jim Spiegle. Help is appreciated!

# Ms. Dana's Pre- Nursery Classes

The children are doing a great job adjusting to the daily routine of the class. We have been working on our colors, shapes and numbers. Now that the weather is getting a bit colder, please make sure your child's jackets, hats etc. are labeled with their name.

October was a fun month filled with lots of Halloween crafts, stories and songs. Our Halloween songs included 5 little pumpkins, Old Mrs. Witch and Black Cats. We learned the color orange, the #1 and the shape for the month was a square. We had so much fun creating many Halloween projects. We had a great Halloween party and looked frightfully adorable in all our costumes. Thank you for donating items for our celebration!

It was so nice spending the day with all of you at the farm. We loved seeing the excitement in all of the children's faces as they picked pumpkins, rode the tractor and got to feed the animals.

November will bring us the color brown, the #2 and our shape will be a rectangle. We will focus on the season of fall and create many Thanksgiving projects. We will celebrate our Thanksgiving Party Monday November 20<sup>th</sup>.

# Wishing all a wonderful Thanksgiving!



## Ms. Donna's Pre- Nursery Classes

The children are doing a great job with their routine. We have been working on our colors, shapes and numbers.

October was a fun month filled with lots of Halloween crafts, stories and songs. Our Halloween songs included 5 little pumpkins, The Wheels on the Spooky Bus and the Spooky Little Spider. We learned the color orange, the number 1, the shape circle and created many spooky projects. We had a great Halloween party and looked fantastic in all our costumes.

It was so nice spending the day with so many of you at the farm. We enjoyed seeing the kids light up with excitement as they enjoyed all the fun activities.

November will bring us the color brown, the square shape and the number 2. We will focus on the season of fall and create many Thanksgiving projects. We will celebrate our Thanksgiving Party Monday November 20<sup>th</sup> in our Monday/Friday class and on Tuesday November 21st for the Tuesday/Thursday class.

# Wishing all a wonderful Thanksgiving





#### Ms. Kerry's Class

October was here and gone. We had a fantastic month in our classroom. We had a visit from the Wantagh Fire Department and had an incredible time at White Post Farm. October was orange month. We learned how to make the color orange by mixing red and yellow fingerprint with our hands. Wow, that was really a lot of fun!! We talked about how the leaves change color during the season of Fall. Halloween was a topic that we covered with much enthusiasm! We made many spooky crafts like finger paint jack o' lanterns, monsters, square pumpkins, bats, ghosts, black cats, mummies and tissue paper candy corn. We also painted using real apples and acorns. Our class had a blast at our Halloween party. The children really loved singing their Halloween songs that they practiced so much! They all looked so adorable in their Halloween costumes!

In October we learned the letters D, B, P, N and R. We learned the sounds that these letters make and words that begin with those letters. \*\*\*\*\* Please go over the letters in your child's first name with them. They should all be able to recognize the first two letters by now. \*\*\*\*\*

IMPORTANT: In November we will be making a class "Thankful" book. Please send in pictures of 5 or 6 things your child is thankful for. It can be people, foods, pets, toys. Please label the back of the pictures.

## Ms. Dominique's Class

October was a fun and exciting month. We talked about the leaves changing colors during the season of Fall. We learned the letters D,P,B &N. Our color of the month was Orange. We learned how to make the color orange by mixing red and yellow finger-paints with our hands. Halloween was a topic we covered the most. We made lots of spooky crafts, such as pumpkins, cats, bats, skeletons, spiders and mummies. Our Halloween party was so much fun. The children loved wearing their costumes to school and showing them off to all their new friends. They also loved singing our Halloween songs. We also spent time talking about fire safety. We practiced "Stop, Drop and Roll" and had a very special visit from the Wantagh Fire Department. We are continuing to go over the letters in their names and some children can already spell their entire first name! Please continue to work on this at home. Hopefully the weather stays nice outside and we can continue to go to the playground. Please remember to label all jackets, sweatshirts and vests. Thank you.

November brings us a special holiday, Thanksgiving. We will learn what we are thankful for. Our Thanksgiving party will be on Wednesday Nov 22nd.

## Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!!





# Ms. Danielle's Class

October was a busy month! We continued with letters F, E, H & T, and numbers 3,4, 5, and 6. We loved visiting White Post Farm for our first field trip and we hope you all enjoyed it as well. October was Fire Safety month and we had so many great teachers for this. Miss Mary-Kate, our in-house expert, taught us how to call 911 and how to crawl under smoke. Three Firefighters came from the Wantagh Fire Department and made us fire experts. We also did some hands-on pumpkin science with carving a pumpkin and examining the insides. We ended the month with a Halloween party where we played games and had yummy snacks! The children had a wonderful time! In November, we will continue our letters and numbers as well as learn about Election Day, Veterans Day, and Thanksgiving. We will discuss who and what we can be thankful for throughout the month. November will end with our annual Thanksgiving Feast and sing along. More details to follow as the day gets closer. Weather permitting, we will be using the outside playground so please make sure your children are dressed for the weather. With colder weather upon us, please make sure you label their belongings. Many children tend to have similar hats, gloves and jackets and we want to make sure they return with the same items they came with!

In kindergarten readiness, we have been busy working on measurement this month.

The children have adjusted so wonderfully this school year! Next year in kindergarten, they will be attending school fulltime. If you would like to add on days or Kindergarten readiness; please let us know.

# Miss Mary-Kate and I would like to wish all the families a

## very Happy Thanksgiving!

