Parkside Post

November & December 2026

CHILDCARE WITH INTEGRITY RESPECT & EXCELLENCE

PARKSIDE PLAYSCHOOL

November

Happy Birthday!

We love birthdays!

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Important Dates

11/3 - Miss Alexcia's 1 year work-aversary
11/13 - Early Close @ 5p
11/14 - PNO 3-7p
11/16 - Ms. Ashley's 5 year work-aversary
11/25 - Food with Families 3p
11/26-11/27 - CLOSED for Thanksgiving

December

Important Dates

12/11 - Early Close 5p
12/12 - PNO 3-7p
12/12 - Ms. Tamara's 7 year work-aversary
12/23-1/1 - Closed for Winter Break

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Don't forget to send layers for your child as temps continue to drop! Hats, gloves, scarves, jackets, extra pants, extra long sleeves, etc. Please label everything and/or expect teachers to label them!

Donation requests:

-We would love old iPhone donations please! Anything newer than an iPhone 12 would work. We use iphones to take photos and upload/update Brightwheel daily and we do not use our personal phones for this! We also use them to do portfolios as well.

-Any and all dramatic play items! Think furniture, baby dolls & baby doll accessories, construction, etc.

-Various board books! Can be for infant through five years!

What's the scoop?

Thyme with Kaylee

What's growing in our Farm & Garden Program?

Howdy! As mentioned previously, our Farm & Garden Program has expanded. Our Pre-K friends have been doing such a wonderful job of being sure to care for Sunny and now M&M! Caring for spiders includes: dropping fruit flies into their enclosure 2-3 times a week for feeding and misting their enclosures 2-3 times a week. When choosing spiders to join our Farm & Garden Program, we selected these because they are fairly easy to care for and we want to instill curiosity about creepy crawlies rather than fear!

Waddlers, Toddlers, Juniors, and Pre-K have all had harvests of mushrooms! They have all been working hard to remember to spray their mushrooms multiple times a day. The most we've seen is with Waddlers, who have harvested from their Pink Oyster mushrooms three separate times! In the big garden, there have been harvests of romaine lettuce from Pre-K. Juniors and Toddlers have also harvested some basil that Chef Cameo has used in lunches and snacks. Soon we will be starting our Winter garden activities!

Farmland Adventures

Shoutout to everyone who showed up to our Farmland Adventures FUNdraiser event! My favorite thing was seeing how many of our kiddos enjoyed the corn pit and animals! If you got any fun pictures, please share them. The space was big so we didn't get a chance to see everyone but we hope those who came had the best of times!

Spirit Week & Fall Festival

Lots of fun and festivities took place during Spirit Week and at the Fall Festival! Pumpkins were painted, bracelets were made, and everyone seemed to enjoy visiting with one another. If you took any fun photos, we'd love to see them!





Pre-K has shown a lot of interest in drawing, writing, and coloring! Their drawings and artwork have continued to get more and more intricate. Teachers have added various beadings, puzzle pieces, and odds and ends to their art cart and shelf to allow them to explore more! Fine motor activities like these help build the skill to hold a pencil!









What does mealtime look like in **Babies**? We do not use suction plates and we work with them to keep plates on the table with their food on top of it. This includes hand-over-hand use of open faced cups and silverware! Babies have been working hard on these basic skills that we will see growth and independence in sooner than we realize!

Waddlers have been out to visit the observation animals: Mochi, Sunny, and M&M! They also often visit the big garden, which they will have their own bed to care for when they move into their next class. This group in particular seems to enjoy nature quite a bit: They have a curiosity for the world around them and all the things they can explore within it!









Toddlers have noticed seasonal changes! They've been collecting nature finds like acorns and pretty autumnal leaves. While it may seem simple, they are building foundational math skills when they do this. When collecting their nature items, they've also noticed some bugs hiding! What an interesting way to discover how our tiny world here changes throughout the year!

Juniors have also been focusing on mealtimes! They've been intentionally working on self-serving skills and grabbing serving utensils the most hygienic way. They've also been working on pushing serving bowls on the sides rather than putting their hands inside the bowl.

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