



November



Building Blocks Learning Center 2019

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November - the month of swirling leaves, early sunsets, turkey feathers, the smell of pumpkin pie and giving thanks for our many blessings! Just like the little squirrels in our playground we will be very busy this month! All of our discussions and projects this month will lead up to the ultimate feast - Thanksgiving. Once again, we'll have our annual mini feast - BBLC style!

Each of our children will cordially invite "someone special" to join their class for our Thanksgiving celebration. This could be grandparents, a relative, special neighbor or parent to take part in our program of songs, holiday craft and delicious feast. The children always eagerly look forward to hosting this event. Step 2 and Pre K classes will have their feasts on Monday, November 25th. Step 2 will celebrate at 10:30 and Pre K will have their feast at 1:45. Step 1 will have their celebration on Tuesday, November 26th at 10:30. Look for invitations to come home shortly.



Scholastic Books!

Thank you for your continued participation in our Scholastic Book Clubs. Several flyers will come home this month and next in anticipation of the holidays. Many include great selections for holiday gift giving. Should you want to order any items and stash them for under the tree, send a note with your order and we will gladly get them to you without your child's knowledge!



There will be repaving of the parking lot at St. Peter's (BBLC), tentatively, on Monday and Tuesday, November 11 & 12. This will greatly impact our arrival and dismissal procedure. The driveway up to the lot will not be involved, but there will be no use of the lot for those two days. We will send home a flyer with specifics about how to navigate this, when the date is confirmed.



Registration

Believe it or not, but November is the month that we begin to assess our needs for next year. Inquiries about our school begin to come in and we set up tours between now and the end of the year for families interested in attending our school. Our BBLC families have always been our best sources of advertising, so, if you know of a family that is looking for a preschool for next fall, please invite them to give us a call soon and schedule a visit. Our own families will be able to register current students, as well as siblings, for next year, in December. Open seats will be available to the public in January.



DONATION OF THE MONTH

We were positively overwhelmed by your generosity to us last month. We are blessed with such thoughtful families. In keeping with this time of the year we offer humble thanks and ask for no donations this month.

Congratulations to **Madelyn Fox**- Step 1, **Eamonn Duffy** - Step 2 and **Marcus Ficociello**- Pre K, who were our lucky winners for October!



Election Day

This is a reminder that Building Blocks Learning Center **will be open on November 5th**, Election Day. Step 1 and Five Day Pre K students should attend as usual. **Drop off will be at the side entrance for both classes.**



Parent-Teacher Conferences

Information will be coming home to **Pre K parents** for the scheduling of fall conferences. Conferences will be held on **Tuesday, November 26th from 12:30 to 2:30** and **Wednesday, November 27st from 9:00 to 11:30**. To accommodate this, there will be no classes for our Step 2 and Pre K children Tuesday & Wednesday, 11/26 & 27. Kindly return your conference form by Friday, November 15th. No official conferences are set up for Step 1 and Step 2 children, unless specifically requested by the teacher or parent. This can be arranged at any time, should the need arise.



Tips from the Top Lunch Bunch sessions are going well! We do ask that you include 2 napkins in your child's lunch. We teach them to use one as a placemat and one to wipe sticky hands and mouths. Don't forget to include a drink with lunches.

Part of the responsibility of our preschoolers is to take folders out of their backpacks and to put any worksheets or small projects they complete into their folders each day. This proves difficult if their folders contain many papers and projects from previous days. Please empty your child's folder after each session to make it easier for them to do their little job.



BARN NATURE CENTER On Thursday, December 5th, our Step 2 and Pre K classes are invited to come to school for a special program presented by the Barn Nature Center. This program is funded by our Giant A+ Rewards. Keep your eyes out for a flyer with lots of details pertaining to this great opportunity for interaction with real exotic animals!




Thanksgiving Holidays

BBLC will be closed from Wednesday, November 26 - Monday, December 2nd. Classes will resume on Tuesday, December 3rd. Enjoy great holiday family together time! The staff of BBLC wishes you a Happy Thanksgiving! We are ever grateful for our wonderful families who share their most precious blessings, their children, with us!



November Reminders:

- Nov. 5-6 Scholastic Book orders due
- Nov. 11-12 Thanksgiving Feast invitation responses due
- Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Feast – Step 2 10:30 a.m., Pre K 1:45 p.m.
- Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Feasts – Step 1 10:30 a.m.
- Nov 26 - 27 Pre K conferences (Tuesday 12:30-2:30 p.m.,
Wednesday 9:00-11:30a.m.)
- Nov. 27 - Dec.2 Thanksgiving Holiday 
- Dec. 3 Classes resume

