

November 2021

Building Blocks Learning Center

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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. Due to Covid restrictions, we are unable to host our ‘infamous’ turkey (chicken, shh!) nugget celebration, surrounded by family and friends. BUT.....the kids will be decorating and munching on their very own designer Turkey cookie and celebrating with their classmates!

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 me a note and we will gladly get them to you without your child’s knowledge! In case you have not been on the Scholastic website, let me tell you – like MANY retail businesses, they too are experiencing delays. They have assured me that our books are on the way!! I’ll keep checking and let you know of any further details.

Election Day

On November 2, 2021, St. Peter’s (BBLC), becomes a voting poll. This will impact our arrival and dismissal procedure. The driveway up to the lot will not be involved, but there will be no use of the church front door (arrival platform), where we normally drop-off. We will be using our dismissal entrance for drop-off, so our car loop line will begin at the corner of the parking lot – near the brown dumpster. HORRIBLE landmark, I know, but bear with me!!



Registration

Believe it or not, 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 are overwhelmed by your generosity throughout the month of October. 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 **MacKenzie Stear**– Step 1, **Charley Frankel** – Step 2 and **Peyton Baldelli**– Pre K, who are donation winners this month!

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Scheduling for fall conferences, for ALL classes, will begin the first week of November through the app SignUp Genius. Each parent will sign up for a ten-minute session/slot. During this time your the teacher will be reviewing your child's progress thus far in his/her class. She will be giving a brief assessment of the social, emotional, and academic strides your child is making and offering suggestions for continued success! Only our PreK class receives an actual progress report card. There will also be Spring conferences offered, date(s) TBD.

Available ten-minute Conference times will be as follows:

Step One – Thursday Nov. 11th, 9am to 11:55am

Step Two – Tuesday Nov. 9th, 9am to 11:55am and 12:30pm to 1:55pm

PreK – Tuesday Nov. 16th, 9am to 11:55am and 12:30pm to 1:55pm.

**Teachers will be calling from their own personal phones. Kindly understand that those phone numbers are private – please refrain from making any calls to teachers' personal cell phone numbers. Please continue to use the school phone number for any questions/concerns. Thank you.*

Thanksgiving Holidays

BBLC will be closed from Wednesday, November 24th – 26th. Classes will resume on Monday, November 29th. Enjoy your holiday family 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!

