

# Building Blocks Learning Center November 2022 News

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## *Comfy Cozy Day...an opportunity to help others in need!*

On Thursday and Friday, November 17 and 18, we will be celebrating "Comfy Cozy Day". How fun! We'll have some cozy pajama fun in the classrooms and enjoy a special sleepy-time snack of milk and cookies! (If you prefer that your child not have milk, please be sure to notify me!) In addition, BBLC will participate in our first community outreach project of the school year--our 13th annual **BABY**

**DRIVE!** The Baby Bureau supports young families in need throughout our community. The agency lets us know what their very specific wishes are, which vary from year to year. This is a great opportunity to teach our little ones about helping those less fortunate. We are always astounded by the generosity of our families. **BLUE** information sheets will come home in folders soon. Thank you in advance for your thoughtfulness!



## *Conference Day...Friday, November 11*

All families should have already received an email with a link to SignUp Genius. This is your only reminder to sign up for your in-person fall conference, if you have not done so already. Conferences are not mandatory, but highly recommended; we'd love to talk about your child's accomplishments! Once you sign up, be sure to mark your personal calendars with your conference time and be super-prompt, as our teachers will be on tight schedule. There is no school on Friday, Nov. 11 to accommodate conferences.

## *Donation Item of the Month--Suspended*

Thanks for all of the yummy snacks! We will nibble up every one! Congratulations to the winner of the October drawing-- Chase in PreK. For the month of November, we will suspend our school donations in favor of our Baby Drive. We are so very thankful for your efforts to help US--this month, let's help OTHERS! Please consider donating an item or two from the list. Your school and your community thank you!

## *November School Holiday*

We will celebrate Thanksgiving at BBLC on November 21/22 with discussions of the First Thanksgiving and being thankful, and with the creation of healthy edible turkeys! If you generously volunteered to send in supplies, a reminder will go home in folders shortly. There will be no classes from November 23 (Wed) to November 25 (Fri) due to the Thanksgiving Break. Enjoy the time with your wonderful families!



## *Registration for the 2023/24 school year*

Registration for next school year, for children presently enrolled in our program and their siblings, will begin on December 1. Registration forms/clear instructions will be sent home with the children just before the Thanksgiving Break for your review. I have sent out some "feeler" emails to assess class interest, as I always strive to meet the needs of our families. Please discuss appropriate class placement with your child's teacher (or with me) during the upcoming parent conferences, if needed.

## ...some important tidbits...

- Please remember that traffic should approach our parking lot FROM THE CEMETERY side of Selner. I am getting reports that traffic is approaching from the Church Street hill and the overflow is causing a jam. This may sound bit strange, but if you plan to enter our parking lot, you need to see headstones first.
- **MITTENS** are hugely preferred over gloves (so much easier for us to get on than gloves with fingers)! Band-aids or medical tape for name labels inside mittens and hats work well.
- Over-the-Head style jackets are an obstacle for us at school. We like to encourage independence, and this style can be just too difficult to manage. Please choose outerwear for school that opens down the front.
- We WILL be hosting our traditional Holiday Sing this year! (Suspended the last few years due to Covid). Step 2/PreK/Kindg students will participate in fabulous holiday shows on Friday, December 16. Two seated guests per child will be invited to attend. Much more info to follow.
- Step One will be involved with our Holiday Hullabaloo on Thursday, December 15 where one active adult guest will be invited. Again, more info to follow.
- Here is the oh-so-kind person from PECO who helped us out on Wednesday:



## Outdoor Pumpkins and Scarecrows



Thank you for helping to make our driveway festive and spook-tacular! The creations were simply fabulous! Please scoop up your pumpkin/scarecrow to take home with you by Wednesday 11/2. Any creations left after that will be discarded.

## Important Dates

- November 2-9-16-30 Fun Frolics (Mindfulness)
- November 4--Yay for Yoga
- November 7--Progress reports for PreK/K go home
- November 8--We are OPEN, even though CB is closed
- November 10--Half Day for Kindg; no Lunch Bunch (Teacher prep for conferences)
- November 11--No school--Parent Conferences
- November 14-17--Baby Drive
- November 17--Comfy, Cozy PJ Day for Step 1
- November 18--Comfy, Cozy PJ Day for Step 2, PreK, and K classes
- November 23 through 25--No classes; Thanksgiving Break

