

# Building Blocks Learning Center November 2023 News

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

On Thursday and Friday, November 16 and 17, 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 14th 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. **SALMON** information sheets will come home in folders. Thank you in advance for your thoughtfulness!



## *In-Person Parent Conference Day...Monday, November 27*

Be on the lookout for an email with a link to SignUp Genius. 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, as teachers will be on tight schedules. There is no school on Monday, 11/27 to accommodate conferences. **This sign up is for in-person conferences only. If you unable to attend on 11/27, please contact your child's teacher to set up a phone conference for an alternate day.**

## *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--Sebastian in Step Two. 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!



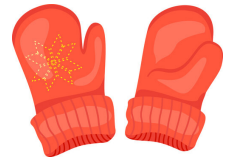
## *November School Holiday*

We will celebrate Thanksgiving at BBLC on November 20/21 with discussions of harvest 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 22 (Wed) to November 24 (Fri) due to the Thanksgiving Break. Enjoy the time with your wonderful families!

## *Registration for the 2024/25 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....



- Be sure to change out sets of extra clothing in backpacks to weather-appropriate items.
- **MITTENS** are highly 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 again this year! Step 2/PreK/Kindg students will participate in fabulous holiday shows on Friday, December 15. Up to three guests per child will be invited to attend. Much more info to follow.
- Step One will be involved with our Holiday Hullabaloo on Tuesday, Dec. 19 where one active adult guest will be invited. Again, more info to follow.
- **Scholastic orders**---please place all online orders under teacher **Michele Burchell**. Orders are due 11/8.
- The school bank has increased its fees--going forward, returned checks (regardless of reason) will now be assessed a fee of \$36. Please make a note.

## Outdoor Pumpkins and Scarecrows

Thank you for helping to make our driveway festive and spook-tacular! The creations were simply awesome! Please scoop up your pumpkin/scarecrow to take home with you by Friday 11/3. Any creations left after that will be discarded.



## Important Dates

November 1-8-15-29 Fun Frolics (Karate)

November 3--Yay for Yoga

November 7--CB is CLOSED; we are OPEN

November 13-17--Baby Drive

November 16--Comfy, Cozy PJ Day for Step 1

November 17--Comfy, Cozy PJ Day for Step 2, PreK, and K classes

November 20--Progress reports for PreK/K go home

November 22 through 24--No classes; Thanksgiving Break

November 27--No school; In-Person Parent Conferences



# November

A decorative border featuring various autumn leaves in shades of red, orange, and yellow, interspersed with small pumpkins.