"Little Explorers Preschool Press"

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Looking Ahead

October 31st: Fall Festival in your child's classroom. For information, check with your child's teacher.

November 22nd and 23rd: No school due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

One of the most important things parents can do, beyond keeping kids healthy and safe, is to read with them. Study after study shows that early reading with children helps them learn to speak, interact, bond with parents and read early themselves, and reading with kids who already know how to read helps them feel close to caretakers, understand the world around them and be empathetic citizens of the world.

Make books accessible. Make sure your bookshelves are low enough for kids to reach the book that they want to read. Keep books by your children's bedside, in the playroom — all over the house. Bring books with you on car trips, to the grocery store, or even to the doctor's office waiting room. Rather than handing them a device, hand them a book they love. The more accessible you make books, the more you'll see their reading frequency grow. Also, if your child needs a bit more guidance on choosing books, narrow it down to a nice range of selection and invite them to pick the book they want for that moment. It will change day to day and month to month, so be open and ready to grow and change along with your budding lifelong reader.

This Week: Story Book Characters

Developing Skills

Art & Fine Motor: Mixing paint to create a new color.
Mathematics: Match numbers on watermelon slices with the corresponding quantity of watermelon seeds.
Social/Emotional: Discussion: What do you like about yourself?
Vocabulary: Mix, Packing, Picnic, Different

Important Announcements

- This week is parent-teacher conferences. Conferences provide a great opportunity for you to talk with your child's teacher about what your child is learning at school and how you can support this learning at home.
- Please remember to bring in the Health Documentation Form signed by your child's doctor. Thanks!
- Please remember to label your child's belongings, and check his or her backpack daily.
- Parents, you are invited to our Fall Festival on October 31st. Please contact your child's teacher for information.
- We will be making handprint turkey shirts for Thanksgiving. If you would like your child to make one, please send a plain white t-shirt to school with your child. The last day to send in shirts will be November 13th. For more information, please contact your child's teacher.

Preschool Classrooms need the following supplies for some fun projects:

- Sandwich Bags, and Paper Plates – October 25th
- Pancake Mix, Canned Pumpkin Pie, and Chocolate Chips – Nov. 2nd
- One White t-Shirt – Nov. 13th

Weekly Share Time Question:
Brainstorm: What is one thing you like about yourself?

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact your child's teacher. Thank you for your support!

Preschool Staff