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November 2021

Hello fabulous WCDS Families! October was just as fun as promised! There was lots of learning, lots of new friendships, and lots of fun! Each class ended the month celebrating Halloween in their own unique way and all class celebrations turned out spooktacular! Here are some important dates and reminders:

- Thank you for your diligence in keeping germs home! We have had a number of families who have experienced the common cold symptoms and chose to keep their kids home. We know that it is so hard to miss school, but your help keeping our kids safe is totally worth it!
- Thank you for all of the class party donations to help make the celebrations extra special! Dare I say, it felt normal! Loved all the costumes and excitement that the kids brought to school!
- The current symptoms from the CDC include Fever/Chills, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, muscle/body aches, headache, loss of taste/smell, sore throat, congestion/runny nose, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea. If your child is experiencing 1 or more symptoms, we ask that they stay home until they are symptom free. If symptoms persist, if your child has multiple symptoms, or if you have had any contact with a person who contracted covid, please get a PCR covid test before returning to school! If a family member is asked to stay home or take a test due to suspected contact, please follow the CDC protocals. If in

doubt, you may reach out to me at any time and we can sort out the safest plan together!

- Tuition! Tuition is due the first of each month! Thanks for your efforts to pay on time! It is much appreciated!
- Book orders! Scholastic had a severe delay in books and the order finally arrived! If your out in order was sent to school, we will be sending the books home in your child's backpack! Orders are placed at the end of each month...code NN48W!
- Please continue to plan for the weather! Send a rain coat (write their name inside), boots are optional, and layers! We encourage all kids to start with a jacket! Also, if we send home wet clothes, please send a new outfit back for their emergency bags.
- NO SCHOOL Thursday, November 11th in observance of Veteran's Day! There is also no school November 24th- 26th in honor of Thanksgiving! We use the Wednesday before Thanksgiving for an emergency make up day, and luckily we haven't needed it.

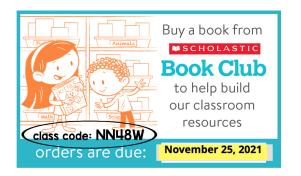
Cheers, Ms. Dani!

Danielle Beresford Director & Teacher

Woodinville Country Day School

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All Zoophonics lessons have been recorded on YouTube! Hop on to see Ms. Dani with all her Zoophonics friends!

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3'S Ladybugs M/T 9:45AM-1PM Ms. Ashlee & Ms. Debbie ROOM 1 THE GARDEN

What an exciting month we have had! The month began with warm weather and ended as leaves fell all around us. We enjoyed some fun Halloween activities. We hope you enjoyed seeing the "costumes" they created! Additionally, we played with pumpkin play dough, painted on easels for the first time and pounded golf tees into a pumpkin using mallets. The veterinary center was super popular. Fun!

The focus of our stories and activities was our hands, faces, and feelings- specifically being happy, sad and scared. We explored appropriate ways to use our hands. The questions of the day invited the students to interpret different facial expressions.

We practiced "using our words" to solve conflicts, and also to talk with each other as we played and ate lunch together.

It is always fun to witness the growth of our darling students. We are looking forward to November, when we will explore or feet, and continue with feelings. Ms. Ashlee & Ms. Debbie Ladybug Teaching Team



4s Butterflies

W/TH/F 9:45AM-1PM Ms. Michele & Ms. Shauna ROOM 1 THE GARDEN

The Butterfly class had a great October! Friendships are blossoming and we are excited about learning! We continued with our Zoophonics curriculum learning the 'F', 'E', 'H', and 'T' letters. We love the animal friends that join us each week which are tied to the letters.

This month our learning was centered around nature: leaves, apples, pumpkins, and spiders. We were able to spend time outside on our beautiful campus, on a leaf hunt, searching for spiders and testing pumpkins and other things in nature to see if they float. Our class loves our time spent outside! We had fun with art this month, both with directed projects like the 5 little Pumpkins Sitting on the Gate as well as open-ended projects like using the art easel for painting. We practiced recognizing the letters of our name when we made our leaf tree, hanging leaf letters on a tree to spell our name.

We taste-tested apple chips, apple sauce, apple juice and two different types of apples. We even made our own apple bread to try! During pumpkin week, we sampled pumpkin seeds. We also used pumpkin seeds for counting and making shapes. Our class loves to sing and dance, and we enjoyed many movement songs tied with our themes! *There's a Spider on the Floor* was one of our favorites.

We started sharing this month and our class is learning to be a great audience. The sharer is learning to use a loud voice when giving clues and then call on a friend who is raising a quiet

hand. We love to see the interesting things the preschoolers
bring in. Keep up the good work Butterfly class!
Thanks to everyone for helping to make our Monsterrific party a success! We enjoyed the treats, games, and decorations.
Celebrating as a class community is fun!
We are looking forward to November where we will discuss
nocturnal animals, our families, and what we are thankful for!
Ms. Michele & Ms. Shauna
Butterfly Teaching Team



Pre-K Bunnies M/T/W/Thu 9:30 AM- 12:45 PM Ms. Bettina & Ms. Donna ROOM 2 THE MEADOW

Phew, what a busy month in 'The Meadow'! October is always such a fun month filled with so many wonderful topics.

Our focus this month was on the letters F, E, H and T. The Bunnies are doing such an excellent job remembering their Zoophonics songs and sounds. We also learned about 'The Signs of Fall', Salmon - including their life-cycle, Spiders, Bats and finished off the month with Pumpkins!

On the last day in October we had our fabulous Halloween Party! A big thank you to all the parents that donated supplies to help make it happen. We played games, made crafts, wore our costumes, danced and ate pizza - so much fun!

In November we will read books by Mo Willems, explore magnets, learn about Veterans Day, talk about turkeys and finish off with our 'Friendship Feast!' We can't wait! Ms. Donna & Ms. Bettina Bunnies Teacher Team



Pre – K Bees T/W/Th/F 9:15AM-12:30PM Ms. Clarice & Ms. Dani ROOM 3 THE HIVE

Wow! What a packed month in October! Our class sure LOVES to learn! We had so much fun making leaf prints and learning about photosynthesis, dancing leaves on a life size parachute, and reciting poems! We then learned about the Life Cycle of Salmon! The kids loved doing fish prints with bubble wrap and saying all the names of the Salmon! We then did a unit on Spiders and Bats! Eek! This included the classic story, Stella Luna! The students also really enjoyed the books, Creep Carrots and My Creepy Underwear by Aaron Reynolds! This led to our week of Pumpkins which culminated with our "spooktacular" - Halloween party! Thank you all for all the wonderful donations. We loved all the games, the delicious food, decorating cookies, and painting spider webs. We ended the party reading the epic story, "There was an Old Lady Who Wasn't Afraid of Anything" by Linda Williams. Each student played a role, at the of the story we magically created our own life size scarecrow! Check our November email for the calendar and more updates!

Cheers, Ms. Dani & Ms. Clarice AM Bee Team Teachers



PM Pre – K Bees T/W/Th/F 1:15PM-3:45PM Ms. Clarice & Ms. Shaila ROOM 3 THE HIVE

Fall is in the air and our class is so excited about learning. We had so much fun making leaf prints and learning about photosynthesis. Dancing leaves on a life size parachute and reciting poems, is a favorite group time activity. Up next, we enjoyed learning about and the life cycle salmon and the several types of salmon native to the Pacific Northwest. Parents it is not too late to visit the Issaquah salmon hatchery!

Last week, we explored spiders and bats and talked about how these "creepy" creatures are important to our eco system. We had a great discussion about how bats fly. We also played the *bat and butterfly* game and realized we do not have the gift of *eco-location* however being a "good listener" is helpful. I hope you love their "Stella Luna" art project as much as we do! We had a great discussion about friendships, and how we can be so like each other and yet so different.

This week was super busy and packed with excitement! We gutted pumpkins, sang spooky songs, and assembled our haunted houses. We read countless Halloween books, but our favorite was "Creepy Underwear!" by Aaron Reynolds and illustrated by Peter Brown.

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> Ms. Clarice & Ms. Shaila PM Bee Team Teachers



3s Turtles TH/F 9:00AM- 12:15PM Ms. Monica & Ms. Kate ROOM 4 THE POND

Happy November Terrific Turtle Families!

Our Turtles are getting more used to our routines and most have mastered the basic routines! We have been able to do several art projects this month including making our faces from loose parts and tracing our feet and measuring how long they are. We discovered what our hands like to do but have yet to voice something they don't like to do! We ended the month talking about our feelings and with a pizza party!

Next month we will be exploring the feeling mad with an experiment. We will discover what thankful means to each of us. We will delve into what we can do with our friends and what we do to take care of our school. We will talk about what makes a family and tell each other about our families.

As our Turtles get more used to us they have come more out of their shells and they are so sweet and interested in so many things. Spending the end of the week with them is such a lovely experience, we look forward to it each week.

> Wishing you well, Ms. Monica and Ms. Kate Turtles Teaching Team



4s Frogs M/T/W 9:00AM-12:15PM Ms. Monica & Ms. Kate ROOM 4 THE POND

Happy November Fabulous Frog Families!

This month has been so fun, filled with so much growth and new friendships! We were able to finish up our unit for 'Taking care of....' and dove into early writing with dots, lines and shape recognition. Our Frogs had a blast counting sides and creating stories. Ms. Monica and Ms. Kate were able to observe our Frogs and make some goals that we can shoot for this year. We ended our month with Witch's Brew, feelings and Trunk or Treat which is always a lot of fun!

November we will get into finishing up talking about feelings with the emotion angry (mad). We will also learn about nocturnal animals and what it means to be diurnal (awake during the day). We will be exploring what it means to be Thankful and how to use manners before we explore what Family is. We will also be doing our first child interest led week: Peppa Pig! Thank you so much for trusting us with your children, we are so honored to be able to spend this time with them. They are truly

a joy!

Wishing you well,

Ms. Monica and Ms. Kate

Frogs Teaching Team



Office Manager Ms. Cathy T/W/Th Playground Team Ms. Kate Mondays Ms. Shaila T/W/Th Ms. Cari Fridays

Hello WCDS Families

The weather has gone from all the feels of Fall to COLD! With the weather changing please remember to send in rain jackets, rain boots and mittens/hats! The kids have had so much fun shooting baskets, playing catch, and chasing each other on the playground!

As always if you have any questions please do not hesitate in reaching out to the teachers or myself and Ms. Shaila at anytime.

Note : We are looking for some used duck tape rolls and empty plastic jars (like the ones that you get trail mix or nuts in) for our storage jars and crafts if you have any we would be very grateful. We are also looking for OLD KEYS and BOTTLE CAP LIDS!

Thank you, Ms. Cathy

Welcome to Woodinville Country Day School

A sneak peak of play- based learning at Woodinville

Country Day School! This month each class celebrated Pumpkins and Halloween a little different and it turned out SPOOKTACULAR!











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