NOVEMBER

Lots to be thankful for this season!

Important Dates:

November 2-13:
Annual Food Drive
November 3:
St. Bernard's School Open House; 6-7pm
November 11:
No School- Veteran's Day
November 14:
SBS Annual Auction
November 25:
Early Release; 12pm Dismissal for ALL
NO ACES
November 26-27:
Thanksgiving Break

Save the Date:
December 18: Christmas Concert; 10am inside St. Bernard Church

Reminders:

If any "back up" clothes need to be used, please replace them as soon as possible so we can always have them stored in our class bins.

With the cooler weather here, please send your child into school with a jacket (Labeled) for recess everyday! Practicing zipping and unzipping jackets at home is a great self-help skill you could assist them gain confidence in.

If your child will be out of school for any reason, please let the office know.



Thankful for You!

It's November and I have so much to be thankful for this year, especially the wonderful kids in my class and their families! Our new unit for this month is Food and Flavors. We will be doing lots of activities that involve learning about about food, flavors, and tastes!

Mrs. Vaghini and I are continuing with our weekly literacy and religion lessons, and finding fun new ways for the children to explore fine and gross motor skills through sensory, science, and play! I hope you are enjoying the photos I send home every now and again. I try to get to it every day, but if you don't see one come through, it might just have been a hectic day. You can always email to ask what the kiddos were up to!

St. Bernard School Open House

We encourage you to consider attending St. Bernards School's Open House on Tuesday, November 3rd 6 - 7 pm. It is such a wonderful early opportunity to get a sneak peek into all that our "big school" has to offer! Come stop by to see all they have to offer. It's never to early to start thinking about kindergarten!

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What we're working on in November:

This month of school our themes will be all about Food, Flavors, and Thanksgiving!

November 2 - 6
Letter: Hh
This week our sub theme is The Very Hungry Caterpillar, a perfect book for this month! We will look at story sequencing, do some food experiments, and talk about how food helps us grow!

November 9 - 13
Letter: Ii
This week we will talk about favorite kids foods: Pasta, pizza, and ice cream! We will make a chart with everyone's favorite ice cream flavors and their favorite pizza toppings, make some pizza art, and use scoops to measure dry pasta.

November 16 - 20
Letter: Jj
This week we will shift our attention to healthy foods. We will practice our scissor cutting skills by making paper salad, and explore our inner chef in the classroom kitchen!

November 23 - 25
Letter: Kk
In our final week of November before the break, we will talk about gratitude and Thanksgiving. We will use playdoh and rolling pins to make our own food, and explore other foods through science experiments. We will even practice washing dishes in our sensory bin, so that the kids can help clean up after Thanksgiving with family! :)

Turkey Feather Information

Each child will be sent home with a "turkey feather" to be decorated and sent back to school. Our hall bulletin board will transform into a giant turkey with a feather to represent each child. This is a fun project to work on as a family. It may be decorated any way your child would like. Feathers, stickers, pom poms, markers, jewels, etc. It is fun to see as we walk down the hall!

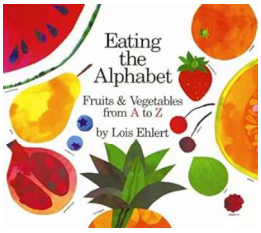
Lesson of the Month

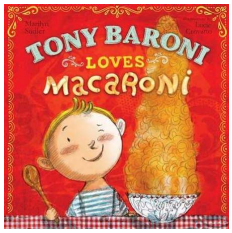
An important topic we are continuing to highlight in class is using our words and seeking consent from others. Instead of just hugging, we ask if someone wants a hug first. If someone is too close, we say "I need some space, please!" We are trying to instill in the children that they have a voice and can say no if they are uncomfortable.

What are we reading in class?

Find out some of the books we're reading each month as a class in the newsletter to also read at home or have discussions with your child about them!







Parent Corner

This is a great article about setting limits. Rules are a natural part of life, and having guidelines help children learn how to manage in different situations. Rules provide a framework for children to understand what is expected of them at home, with friends and at school. Setting expectations and following through are so important at this age.

https://www.hartsteinpsychological.com/importance-setting-limits-child

Wishing you and your family a lovely Thanksgiving break! I hope you have the opportunity to spend time with the ones you love and enjoy the beautiful Autumn weather.