NOVEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

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A MONTH FOR GIVING THANKS!

Dear Parents!

Thanksgiving reminds us to appreciate the people who enrich our lives and the blessings we sometimes overlook. All of us at Bright Beginnings wish your family a Happy Thanksgiving filled with love, laughter, and gratitude!

Time Change
Clocks fell back one hour on Sunday, November 1. This change can disrupt children's sleep and routines. Please let your child's teacher know if your child's sleep or schedule has been affected.

Parent-Teacher Conferences
Conferences are scheduled for Monday, November 9; Tuesday, November 10; and Wednesday, November 11. Please indicate your top three appointment choices on the conference form, specifying both the date and time. Listed times are available on all three days.

Appointments last 15 minutes and are scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis. Conferences offer an opportunity to discuss your child's progress, goals for their next educational setting, and any concerns.

Please return the form even if you decline a conference, as we need it for our records.

Thank You!
A big thank-you to the parents who decorated their vehicles and handed out candy at our annual Trunk-or-Treat. Your participation made it a success!



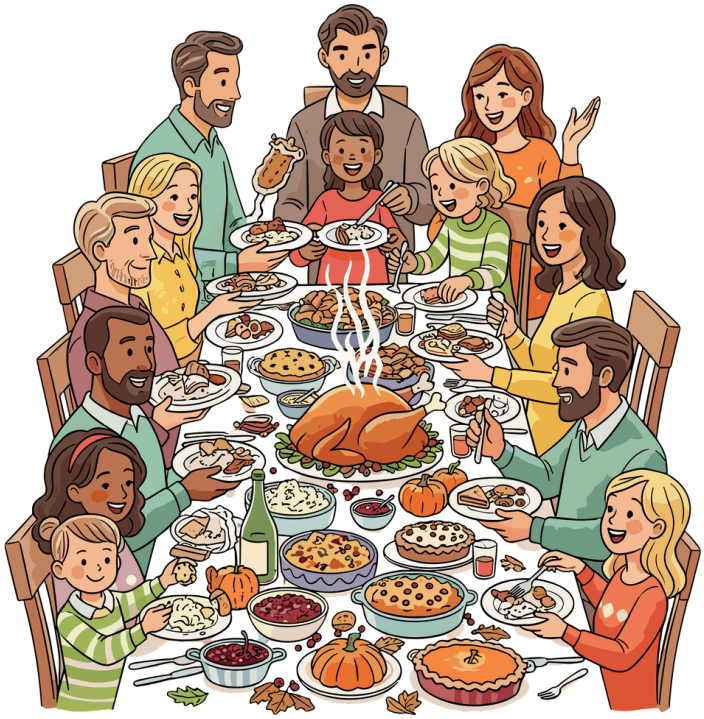
DATES TO REMEMBER

- Nov 3 - SASD Closed (Act 80)
- Nov 5 - Construction Tool Painting
- Nov 9 thru 11 - Parent / Teacher Conferences
- Nov 11 - Veterans Day / Wear Red
- Nov 13 - Modeling Clay Farm Creation
- Nov 16 - Build a Classroom Scarecrow
- Nov 19 - Corn Cob Art
- Nov 23 thu 30 - SASD Closed
- Nov 24 - Coffee Filter Turkey
- Nov 25 - BB Center Thanksgiving Feast
- Nov 26 & 27 - BB Center Closed
- Nov 30 - Bright Beginnings 8th Anniversary

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HAPPY THANKS GIVING

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family





Nov 01 - Asher L.
Nov 02 - Ms. Arianna
Nov 04 - Victra A.
Nov 05 - Ms. Mariane
Nov 07 - Colin M.
Nov 18 - Ms. Tiffany
Nov 19 - Brian C



SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS



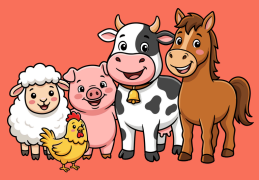
We place Scholastic Book orders monthly! This is a great way to get some children's books for your child's collection and help us earn free books for the school! Orders are due the 15th of the month and shipped right to the school for easy pick up. You can order using the order forms or online.

NOVEMBER WEEKLY THEMES

Week 1: Construction



Week 2: Farms & Farm Animals



Week 3: Harvest

Week 4: Thanksgiving



Week 5: Hibernation & Migration

Classroom News

INFANT ROOM

Hello Infant Parents,

In October, we explored transportation by pushing cars, trucks, and buses across the floor and swooping airplanes through the air. Smokey Bear visited to teach us about fire safety and forest fires. We also learned about smoke detectors and their loud alarms.

Our fall festivities included a fun Trunk-or-Treat Parade! Thank you to the parents who joined us. Everyone looked adorable in their costumes!

In November, we'll learn about farms, harvesting, farm animals, and Thanksgiving!

Parent-teacher conferences will be scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis to discuss your child's progress and goals. For our older infants, we'll also discuss their upcoming transition to the Waddler classroom.

Wishing all our families a wonderful harvest season!

Ms. Peggy & Ms. Katie



REFERRAL PLAN

Invite family or friends to visit our center. When they enroll with us you earn $50 in cash or a $50 credit towards your next invoice.



WADDLER ROOM

Hello Waddler Room Parents,

October was a fun month as we learned about transportation, fire safety, fall, and Halloween!

During transportation week, the children explored things that GO! They enjoyed rolling trucks and cars through dirt in the sensory bin and making tire tracks.

Next, we learned about fire safety and calling 911 in an emergency. We also explored the colors red, yellow, and orange while making pretend flames from tissue paper.

We ended the month with fall activities and our Trunk-or-Treat Parade. Everyone had fun dressing up and collecting sweet treats!

We wish our friend Nia all the best as she transitions to the Toddler room. Happy learning, Nia!

We can't wait for more fun in November!

- Ms. Laura & Ms. Sierra



Classroom News

TODDLER ROOM

Dear Toddler Parents,

We are excited to welcome our new friend, Nia, to the toddler classroom! We look forward to getting to know her and sharing new adventures and learning experiences.

Our toddlers have had a wonderful time learning, exploring, and growing together! During Transportation Week, the children explored cars, buses, trains, and airplanes through art projects, movement activities, and hands-on learning.

During Fire Safety Week, we learned about firefighters, fire trucks, and fire safety through stories, crafts, and age-appropriate activities. The children discovered how firefighters help keep our communities safe.

For Fall Week, we explored autumn colors, leaves, and seasonal changes through sensory play, nature-inspired art, and activities that encouraged curiosity and creativity.

During Halloween Week, we enjoyed festive crafts, sensory activities, and stories. Our Trunk-or-Treat celebration was a highlight! The children loved the decorations and sharing the fun with friends and families.

As we welcome November, we look forward to more learning, discoveries, and special moments. We are proud of how much our little learners continue to grow each day. Thank you for your continued support and for being part of our classroom family!

- Ms. Brenda & Ms. Jessica



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PRESCHOOL ROOM

Hello Preschool Families! Hope you're having a wonderful summer!!!

Welcome to a cozy new month! As the autumn air turns crisp and leaves swirl outside, our classroom is filled with warmth and excitement. After all our Halloween fun, we're ready for a season of gratitude and togetherness!

Our learners have been shining! A special shout-out to Colin M. for his bright ideas and enthusiastic participation during circle time. It brings me such joy to see the children excited to learn and cheering each other on. Thank you also to Chaslynn for being such a kind, caring helper to her friends and teachers!

October was packed with hands-on learning. During Transportation Week, we explored travel by land, sea, and air. The children created tire-track paintings and practiced fine motor skills by tracing roads with toy cars fitted with paper clips and markers.

During Fire Safety Week, we practiced fire drills and learned how firefighters protect our community. The children especially enjoyed wearing firefighter hats and "extinguishing" pretend fires with beanbags! Thank you to Smokey Bear for teaching us how to prevent wildfires.

We explored autumn's changes, including colorful, falling leaves. As James W. wisely shared, "Our days get shorter and our nights get longer!" We made yarn apples, leaf-resist art, and leaf suncatchers, and stayed cozy during Fall Pajama Day.

We finished October with Halloween fun! The children loved wearing their costumes, seeing their teachers dressed as a pack of crayons, reading spooky stories, and joining Pre-K to create bubbling witches' cauldrons. A heartfelt thank-you to the parents who helped make our Trunk-or-Treat so special!

We are grateful for our wonderful preschool family and look forward to a November filled with learning, kindness, and smiles!

- Ms. Mariane & Ms. Teresa



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PRESCHOOL PREP

Hello, Preschool Prep Families!

October was a spooky and exciting month filled with fun activities! We hope everyone had a happy Halloween!

We kicked off the month with our transportation theme, making cars from cardboard tubes and airplanes from popsicle sticks. Through songs, books, art, and play, we explored transportation by air, land, and sea. The children are doing a wonderful job following directions during craft time, and it is exciting to see their skills grow!

Throughout the month, we learned the letters Aa, Ss, and Tt, the numbers five and eight, the color orange, and the triangle shape. The children picked them up so quickly!

Next, we focused on fire safety. We made fire helmets, practiced "stop, drop, and roll," and enjoyed a visit from Smokey Bear. Thank you to our guests for teaching us how to prevent forest fires. The children loved the presentation!

We then explored the beautiful colors of fall, creating leaf art inspired by the changing trees. Pajama Day was another highlight! The children were happy to come to school in their cozy pajamas, and I loved seeing their different styles.

We ended October with a week of Halloween fun! The children painted pumpkins, danced to spooky music, and created ghosts and spiders. Seeing their creativity come to life brought me so much joy! Our Trunk-or-Treat Parade was a wonderful way to finish the month. Everyone looked adorable in their costumes and had a great time!

I can't wait to see what November has in store for us!

Ms. Aleida



SCHOOL AGE

Hello School Age Parents!

October was full of hands-on learning and seasonal excitement! We began with Transportation Week, exploring the different ways we travel. During Fire Safety Week, the children practiced important safety skills, located our classroom fire extinguishers, and enjoyed our center-wide Fire Cup Knockdown activity. Fall Week brought seasonal crafts and conversations about autumn fun. We wrapped up the month with pumpkin paintings and delicious treats at our annual Trunk-or-Treat event. October was a wonderful mix of creativity, learning, and celebration!

In November, we'll explore construction, farms and farm animals, harvesting, and Thanksgiving traditions. We'll finish the month with Hibernation and Migration Week, learning how animals prepare for winter.

As the weather gets colder, please send your children with warm coats, hats, gloves, and scarves so they can stay comfortable while playing outside or waiting for the bus.

Ms. Crystal, Ms. Rose, Ms. Tiffany & Mr. Ian

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PRE-K ROOM

Hello Pre-K Families!

We would like to start by welcoming Jovie to our Pre-K classroom. They are settling in very nicely and making lots of new friends. A big shout-out to Madison O. for showing true kindness and friendship to both of our new friends as she helped them learn about our daily routines and activities.

October brought all the wonderful fall festivities, and boy, did we have some FUN!

Transportation Week was a FUN time. We talked about the many different ways to travel and get around. We even went back in history to explore how people got around before there were cars and planes. Learning is so much fun!

During Fire Safety and Prevention Week, we learned about the importance of smoke detectors, how to stay low if a room is filled with smoke, how to stop, drop, and roll, and the importance of following directions when the fire alarms go off. We also had a special guest, Smokey Bear, come for a visit. We heard the story of his life and how he became a symbol of forest fire prevention. It was a wonderful day! We were all so EXCITED to meet him and learn how to prevent forest fires. I must say, it was a very exciting and informative week!

We had a week full of FALL fun, making art with leaves, acorns, and apples in all the beautiful colors the season brings. Whew, what a colorful and exciting week!

Halloween Week was OUR absolute favorite. We painted pumpkins and listened to Halloween songs and stories. We danced, and we sang. Let's not forget the Halloween parade and all the incredibly cute costumes! So much fun was had by all. A special THANK-YOU to the parents who helped make this day extra special for the children. Just like that, we're looking forward to November's fun and creativity with our amazing Pre-K children. Stay tuned!

We would like to take this time to wish everyone a very happy, healthy, and blessed Thanksgiving.

Ms. Lisa



Raising Kids

RAISING GRATEFUL KIDS: WHY GIVING THANKS IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL

Gratitude is good for you—and for your kids.

Psychologist Martin Seligman explains that gratitude helps us appreciate positive experiences and strengthen our relationships. Research also suggests that practicing gratitude can help people feel happier, cope with challenges, and build stronger connections with others.

For preschoolers, gratitude begins with learning how and when to say "thank you." Parents can also help children recognize the people, places, and experiences that make them feel thankful, such as playing with a favorite toy, swinging at the playground, or reading with Grandma. Sharing happy memories—those "remember when" moments that make everyone smile—is another way to encourage gratitude.

As children grow, they can begin to recognize how others contribute to their school and community. Help them notice the helpers around them, including people whose quiet, hard work might be overlooked. A spoken "thank you," a drawing, or a handwritten card can show appreciation and inspire children to help others, too.

One simple way to make gratitude part of family life is to start a Thankful Jar. All you need is a jar and small slips of paper. Each evening, take turns sharing something you're thankful for, write it down, and add it to the jar. Ask questions such as, "What made you smile today?" "What went well?" or "Who helped you?"

Younger children may name a favorite food or toy. Older children might mention a helpful classmate, an activity they enjoyed, or a special moment with family. Over time, their answers can offer a wonderful glimpse into what brings them joy.

This daily tradition benefits parents as well. After a stressful workday or an unexpected expense, pausing to name something good can help us appreciate what we might otherwise overlook. The Thankful Jar gives everyone a chance to listen, connect, and remember the goodness in their lives.

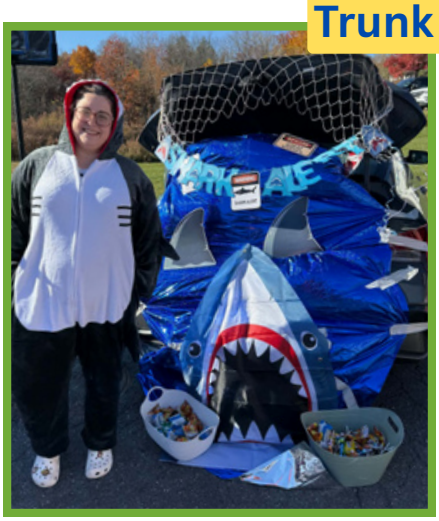
Adapted from "Raising Grateful Kids: Why Giving Thanks Is Good for the Soul" by Deborah Farmer Kris, PBS Parents.

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A Lookback at October Events









Trunk or Treat







Smokey the Bear Visit

YOUR FEEDBACK

We appreciate the wonderful feedback we have received! Thank you so much! Please support us by sharing that great feedback with others by giving us a 5-star review on our website or on our Facebook page. Thank you for your help and for being a part of our Bright Beginnings family!

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