



NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Nov.		
4	Grandparent's Day – AM MT 3s, PM MTW 3s, AM 4s & PM 4s	
5	Vision Screening – AM MT 3s, PM MTW 3s, AM 4s, PM 4s	
6	Vision Screening – WTF 3s	
7	Grandparent's Day – WTF 3s	
8	NO SCHOOL - Staff Planning Day	
15	Scholastic Book orders due	
19	Native American visits AM & PM 4s	
20	Thanksgiving Feast – W 2s	
22	Thanksgiving Feast – TF 2s	
22	Thanksgiving Chapel/Feast – WTF 3s	
26	Thanksgiving Feast – MT 2s	
26	Thanksgiving Chapel/Feast – AM MT 3s, PM MTW 3s, AM 4s, PM 4s	
26	NO LUNCH BUNCH	
27-29	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Holiday	

DECEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec.	12	FIELD TRIP – Arts on Stage – <i>Frosty</i> – AM & PM 4s
	12	Lunch Bunch for 3s ONLY
	17	Christmas Sing-Along – MT 2s
	17	Christmas Program – AM MT 3s, PM MTW 3s
	17	Lunch Bunch for 4s ONLY
	18	Christmas Sing-Along – W 2s
	18	Christmas Program – PM 4s
	19	Christmas Program – WTF 3s
	19	Lunch Bunch for 4s ONLY
	20	Christmas Sing-Along – TF 2s
	20	Christmas Program – AM 4s
	23 -	NO SCHOOL - Christmas Holiday
Jan.	3	NO SCHOOL - Christmas Holiday

JANUARY DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan.	6	School reopens
	14	Preschool Registration for 2020-2021

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3	Finnegan S.	4
11	Charlotte L.	4
11	Adaline M.	3
14	Aubrey D.	5
15	Hermona M.	4

17	Colin B.	3
19	Jameson R.	3
26	Blake D.	5
29	Phoebe W.	4
30	Alexandra L.	3

NOVEMBER PRAYER

Thank you, God, for home and food.
Thank you, God, for all things good. Amen

GRANDPARENT'S DAY

Invitations are being sent home by the 3s & 4s for grandparents to visit the classrooms the beginning of November. Check the calendar for your child's class time. If grandparents are unable to attend, children may bring a picture of them, send a video file to the preschool or they may "adopt" a grandparent for the day.

At this point in the school year, the 2's are still adjusting to their new environment. We feel it is not beneficial to the children to alter their routine by inviting newcomers to the classroom.

THANKSGIVING PROGRAMS

The programs will be held for each class during regular class time according to the schedule listed under the November calendar. Families are invited to attend the Chapel Service or classroom program. The children will enjoy the feast at snack. A separate letter will follow.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

The programs will be held for each class during regular class time according to the schedule listed under the December calendar. Families are invited to attend. The children are asked to bring an unwrapped "Golden Book" to be given to Carroll Hospital Center. A separate letter will follow.

CONGRATULATIONS...

To the Reed family on the birth of Stella June on October 11. Big Brother Parker is in the MT 2s.

THANK YOU...

- To the Gamber Volunteer Fire Department for having the 4s visit the Fire House.
- To Liberty Road Volunteer Fire Department for visiting all the 3s classes
- To the Klingelhofer's for providing the 2s and 3s with the hayride to the pumpkin field.
- To those who volunteered during the month in the classrooms and on field trips.
- To the parent representatives and staff who are serving on the Preschool Board.

SCHOOL PICTURES

School pictures should arrive in late November or early December. The packet for your child's pictures, including the class picture is \$20.00. Sibling packets are \$17.00. Checks are made payable to Cobb Studios. Additional pictures can be ordered; those orders should be sent directly to the photographer. Please make the office aware if you send the payment directly to the studio.

"KIDS TO KIDS"

Thank you for all the gently used outerwear you donated in October. As the weather gets colder, we will be able to distribute the coats, gloves, boots, etc. to Baltimore County school families. You and your children should be proud of a job well done with a good feeling of helping others.

The November project is collecting canned goods and non-perishables for the new food pantry at Ward's Chapel.

FROM THE OFFICE...

- ✓ **STAY HEALTHY...** The cold and flu season is upon us. Following is a checklist to get your whole family involved in being Germ Busters. Start with this important checklist.
- Wash hands with soap and water – especially before snacks and meals
 - Sing the Happy Birthday song twice every time you wash your hands
 - Do the elbow sneeze or cough (bent elbow)
 - Throw used tissues away
 - Keep scrapes and cuts clean
 - Clean and disinfect commonly touched surfaces

Please notify the office any time your child is absent from school, especially if they have influenza-like illness.



- ✓ *Parent Tips* is a monthly series designed especially for parents of young children. *Parent Tips* provides you with information and fun tips for building your child's skills and abilities. Just a few minutes every day will help your child be ready to succeed in school! Please check the website periodically – www.readyatfive.org.

VALUE OF THE MONTH - HONESTY

Our value for November is honesty. Being honest with your child helps him/her to develop a sense of fairness and straightforwardness. It also helps to develop trust. The dictionary definition includes integrity, truthfulness, sincerity, being free of fraud and deception. Children rely on what parents tell them to be the truth. They place confidence and dependability in everything that parents do and say.

In the book **I Refuse to Raise A Brat** (Henner, Sharon 1999), Dr. Ruth Sharon states that "...the unconscious mind knows everything, and that is never more apparent than in small children... A Child can absolutely distinguish between honesty and lying, reality and fantasy. Parents need to give him credit for this and set a good example for him to follow as he grows up."

WRITE BEFORE YOUR CHILD'S EYES

Children learn about writing by observing people who already know how and by participating with those people in simple writing experiences. Parents and older siblings serve as models for children, showing them what writers do.

Kids are more likely to want to communicate in writing if they grow up in a home where they often see people writing. The more they see you writing, the more inclined they are to want to write.

As children begin "writing," they may use drawing, scribbling, or invented letters and spellings to express themselves. These are legitimate forms of early writing and to be encouraged!

Share your writing tasks with children. For example, include your child when you write out the weekly grocery list or jot down a reminder to yourself or another family member. And get the child to help with writing party invitations, thank-you notes, and cards or letters to relatives and friends.

When you have writing tasks to do-even something as humdrum as your to-do list-try to get in the habit of doing them when your child is around. Before you know it, you'll have an eager writer on your hands.