



Happy Thanksgiving

Classroom III News

Hello! Here is another quick classroom update to take us into our first holiday break.

- ❖ **We finished up the month of October with a unit on the seasons & the months of the year. You have probably heard the children singing our months song – we still hear it daily in the classroom! The kids loved searching for signs of Fall around our campus. We raked leaves and did a simple leaf study. We have also been making “leaf men” and “leaf animals”,**

which some of you may have seen come home in workbags. These are based on Lois Ehlert's fantastic book Leaf Man, which is a classroom favorite.

- ❖ This week, Ms. Huntzinger has been talking about the human body, which has led to a lot of discussion about bones! Josh Radner (Cole's dad) is generously bringing us a skeleton next week for the children to explore. We are sure this will be a big hit!
- ❖ Next week we will also begin our discussion of nutrition and how to keep our bodies growing strong. The children will learn about the food pyramid and what makes certain foods healthy.
- ❖ Our short week before Thanksgiving, we will talk about what it means to be thankful and share with each other what we are thankful for in our lives. We will also talk about our story of Black Elk (a Native American folk tale), which is a

staple in our peace curriculum. I will send you all a copy of the story when the children are introduced to it.

***Please plan on joining us for chili night on the 18th! Each child in our class has made a chili bowl that will be available to purchase. Mr. Martin will also have some of his bowls and other impressive pieces available as well. It is a wonderful opportunity to explore our art room!**

****We do not have school on Wednesday, November 23rd, Thursday 24th, or Friday 25th.**

*****Please remember to send your child with a coat *labeled with their name!* We will go outside to play if it is above 30 degrees.**

Please feel free to stop by, call, or email anytime!

Gretchen, Heather, & JoAnn

