

Stepping Stones News



Stepping Stones Preschool Newsletter ~ November 2011
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As we gather to say "Thanks" for all of our "Blessings" remember to always be there for your children. Did you know that Nov. 19th is National Family Pajama Night? Just think of the fun your family can have; popcorn, hot chocolate, make a family pizza, watch a movie, play games, read books, sing and just enjoy the night!!

This month in **Conscious Discipline** our emphasis is on learning to be assertive and not aggressive. Being assertive is putting the power on Attention. What you focus on, you get more of. The value is respect and the purpose is to set limits and expectations. Healthy boundaries are essential to healthy relationships. Children must learn that they teach others how to treat them. The goal of assertiveness is clear communication.

One teaching tool that we will be using is the time machine. It is a floor mat with directions written on it. The purpose of the time machine is to provide a designated space for children to go back in time and change hurtful interactions into helpful exchanges. Conscious Discipline is a continuing concept for us to provide guidance for the children.

The season ahead can get very, very busy so start a new tradition with PJ night to begin your Holiday Season. Each one of your children is a Blessing to the staff at Stepping Stones. And we Thank you for sharing them with us.

Miss Diane

Bible Story Lost and Found Luke 15:1-7

Little children face big worries. They worry that they may be lost like the sheep in Jesus' story, that something terrible will happen to their parents, or that they might do something so bad that their parents will stop loving them. We want all our preschoolers to know that God cares for them just as the watchful shepherd cares for his sheep and that no matter what they do, God will always love them. We rejoice and celebrate when something is lost and then found. We become very thankful!

Theme:
"Be A Star - Be Thankful"

Color:
Brown

Shape:
Square

Letters:
C, O, Q, G

Number:
4

Nov. 8
NO SCHOOL
DISTRICT

Nov. 9-11
Brown Days

Nov. 18
Feast and
Worship Yellow &
Red Rooms

Nov. 21-22
Feast/Worship
All Classes

Nov. 23-25
Happy Thanksgiv-
ing Break

Handwriting Without Tears

Hello fun and achievement! Our new multisensory PreK curriculum is helping our young children develop important readiness skills for kindergarten. The children have been busy learning to recognize and build letters and numbers, growing their vocabulary, developing body awareness (Mat Man), working on socialization skills, building self-confidence, strengthening their pencil grip, developing color and shape awareness, and much, much more. If you would like more information about Handwriting Without Tears, visit their website at www.hwttears.com.

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to all who supported our Book Fair. We received many books for our classrooms. We also took \$300 in books from our fair. We take our profit in Scholastic dollars which we can then use for carpets and furniture and we have \$1,300 dollars left.

Thank you for your support!

Thank you to Jack Goetz for his birthday book donation to his class, Trick or Treat Marley.

Our Feasts ~ Nov. 18, 21 & 22

Our feast and worship on **Nov. 18th** will be for the Friday (Yellow and Red) classes. The feast is at 11:45 a.m. and all parents are invited to join us for worship in the Sanctuary at 12:35 p.m. **On Nov. 21**, the feast will be at 11:45 a.m. and the worship at 12:30 p.m. **On Nov. 22**, the feast will be at 11:45 a.m. and the worship at 12:30 p.m. We ask that the Green Room AM class join us for the feast and stay until 1:00 p.m. on that day. The Green PM class to arrive at 12:25 p.m. so they can join in the 12:30 p.m. worship in the Sanctuary. Green PM class will have feast in their own room at 2:00 p.m. Sign up sheets will be on the Blue Counter for items to bring to the feast. **Brown Room** will leave at 1:00 p.m. During worship service, there will be a special time for sharing with others in the community. Each year at Stepping Stones we participate in a **service project** on this day by inviting the children to bring an item to donate to **Lee's Summit Social Services**. Items such as non-perishable food, paper products, cleaning products, personal hygiene products, and medical supplies are greatly appreciated. Please send these things with your child the day of our worship service.



We will offer our Preschool after school as usual on both days.