



NOVEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

IMPORTANT INFO!

Sign in Sheets - Please make sure that you are signing the bottom of your child's attendance sheet by the 1st of every month.

Payments - Please make sure you are not late on payments as you will be charged a **\$35 late fee** for every week that it is late. If you are paying on certain dates each month you will need to make sure you are not falling behind as some months have 5 weeks in them and you will be responsible for keeping track of those times that you need to pay

when there is an extra week in the month to stay ahead. Any payments made after care is given is considered late. All payments must be made before drop off to be considered on time. Your payment will be considered late if you pay at pick up on the day your invoice is due.

If you are paying by **Credit Card** you will need to be making your payment by 1:30pm 1 day before your invoice due date.

If you are paying by **ACH (check online)** you will need to be making sure that your invoice is paid 2 days before your invoice due date.

We offer auto pay so if you are interested in signing up for auto pay please let me know.

November Holiday Closure Dates:

- **Thurs, November 22, 2018**
- **Fri, November 23, 2018**
- **Sat, November 24th, 2018**

Have a fun and safe Holiday!

FIRE SAFETY!

This month we will be learning all about Fire Safety and what to do in an emergency. The kids will have homework to fill out about their own home and how to safely escape a home in case of a fire. Of course we will be going over what to do when there is a fire if they are in our childcare home but the one that goes home will help them understand what to do in their own home too. We are putting together a field trip to go to the Firehouse here in Loveland and see the firehouse, get safety tips, and of course explore the fire truck. I am limited to 4 children that I can take per adult to the firehouse for safety reasons per the firehouse rules so at this time it will be first come first serve on the field trip along with making sure the pre-school age has first priority. If there are more than 4 that want to do this trip, I will work on making another tour available so that everyone has an opportunity to go to the firehouse and listen and talk to the firemen!

Fire Safety Checklist for Caregivers of Babies and Toddlers

If a fire breaks out in your home, you may have less than 3 minutes to get everyone out safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Young children (especially ages 0 to 4) are at a higher risk of death or injury from a home fire than older children. Make sure your home is safe from fire and that your family is prepared.

Put a check in front of each statement that is true for your home.

Smoke Alarms

- Smoke alarms are on every level of the home.
- Smoke alarms are inside and outside sleeping areas.
- Smoke alarms are tested each month.
- Smoke alarm batteries are changed as needed.
- Smoke alarms are less than 10 years old.



Keep children 3 feet from heat sources.
Space heaters and stovetops can cause terrible burns. Keep children at least 3 feet away from anything that gets hot.

Cooking Safety

- The cooking area has no items that can burn.
- People stay in the kitchen when they are frying, grilling, boiling, or broiling food.
- Pot handles are always turned toward the back of the stove.
- Children are kept at least 3 feet away from the stove.

Candle, Lighter, and Match Safety

- Candles are kept out of reach from children.
- Smoking materials are locked up in a high place.

Escape Plan

- There is a fire escape plan that shows 2 ways out of every room.
- Everyone knows where the safe meeting place is outside the home.
- There is a plan for young children who cannot escape by themselves.
- Everyone in the family knows and practices your escape plan.

Carbon Monoxide Alarms

- Carbon monoxide alarms are located on each level of the home.
- Carbon monoxide alarms are less than 7 years old.

Electrical and Appliance Safety

- There are safety covers over outlets so children cannot hurt themselves.
- Children are kept at least 3 feet away from heaters or anything that gets hot.



Have a fire escape plan.
Very young children will need you to get them to safety in a fire. If your alarm sounds, take action immediately.

Learn more about fire prevention:
www.usfa.fema.gov

U.S. Fire Administration



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October / November Birthdays

- *Liam (October 27th)*
- *Ava (November 4th)*
- *William (November 22nd)*
- *Emilia (November 28th)*

Happy Birthday Liam, Ava, William, & Emilia!!!

We will have a celebration on

Friday, November 9th, 2018 for these birthdays!

TODDLER NEWS

TODDLER ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH				
LETTERS	NUMBERS	SHAPE	COLOR	THEME
ABC song	Counting 1-5	Oval	Orange & Brown	Giving thanks, healthy veggies, Ollie Orange and Brown Bear, feelings, community helper fire fighter. Veteran's Day & Thanksgiving

- ABC Song - Helps with recognizing and sounding out each of the letters in the alphabet.
- Counting 1-5 - We will be working on different games and of course counting everything every day. Somethings you can do to help your toddler at home with this is just counting items they are putting away after play time at home or counting how many peas, apples, etc that are on their dinner plate.
- Oval - working with the oval shape and seeing what it looks like on paper and with some of the items around the house along with some of the toys.
- Orange & Brown - Working with the colors orange and brown being so close together and we will be working with a science project to mix colors and see what colors we get. We will also be reading books with these colors and pointing those out.
- Giving thanks - We will be making some pies and donating those to people in need of them. We will work on using the word "thank you" by saying it and using sign language for it as well when we are doing our every day activities and where it applies.
- Healthy veggies - Trying new veggies and playing some food friends games.
- Ollie Orange and Brown Bear - We will be working on associating things to the colors Orange and Brown. We have books we will be working on making and reading in order to have some more visuals of the colors. We will also keep our theme alive by including Ollie Orange from Food Friends and The Bear Hunt song.
- Feelings - We will be working with a game on our feelings and working on what makes us happy, sad, or angry. We will also be recognizing that others may have those feelings too. Each and every feeling is ok to have and we will work with what to do when we are having those feelings.
- Community helper Fire Fighter - We will be doing a bunch of activities that will revolve around fire and working towards understanding that fire is hot and we don't want to touch it to knowing what to do in case of a fire. We will go over fire safety and we will be creating activities around fire safety.

VETERAN'S DAY INFO



Veterans Day is an American federal holiday celebrated each year on November eleventh. The

day honors those who have served in the United States military.

The origins of The Veterans Day begin with Armistice Day, which was proclaimed by President Woodrow Wilson in 1919, to honor those who died in World War I. In 1938, Congress made Armistice Day a legal holiday.

In 1945, World War II vet Raymond Weeks suggested expanding the holiday to honor all veterans, and in 1954, a Congressional Act officially changed Armistice Day to Veterans Day. From 1971 through 1977, Veterans Day observances were moved to the fourth Monday in October.

"Spending time with America's soldiers is always inspiring"

John Boehner



PRE-SCHOOL NEWS

PRE-SCHOOL ACTIVITES FOR THE MONTH				
LETTERS	NUMBERS	SHAPE	COLOR	THEME
Visual letters F, G, & H	Visual numbers 2 & 3	Oval	Orange & Brown	Giving thanks, fantastic families, healthy veggies, brown bears, restaurant/grocery store manners, feelings, community helper fire fighter Veteran's Day & Thanksgiving

- Visual Letters F-H - We will be working on each of these letters closely and while reading our books we will be pointing out these letter in the books. We are also pointing out where they are in the alphabet and on our circle time carpet. We are sounding out each letter and finding different words that would start with these letters.
- Visual Numbers 2 & 3 - We are working with the numbers 2 & 3 with different activities by recognizing what they look like in print. We use the circle time carpet to see where they are in the list of numbers from 1-10. We are working on counting and & what importance counting is for us. We will be working on using our math skills by counting how many kiddos and adults we have and counting places for setting the table. We are also using our math skills in our science projects to measure things out.
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Observing and pointing out to your child all the different & beautiful colors of Leaves in the fall.

THANKSGIVING

Every year for Thanksgiving the whole daycare helps out to make pies that we donate and hand deliver to the VFW as they host a holiday feast for anyone that is in need of a meal over the holidays. It is our way of giving back to the community while enjoying a fun filled activity of baking. If any of our families want to contribute outside of the pies we are making feel free to bring your items by November 20th, 2018. We of course be baking a couple extra pies so we get to

test the product. Also as tradition we always have a Thanksgiving feast so feel free to make something and bring it to daycare for our big feast. I will provide a sign up sheets for both activities. Both of these can be something fun you can do with your child to bring to daycare and share with the rest of the kiddos.



Happy Thanksgiving!



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Statement of Commitment

As an individual who works with young children, I commit myself to furthering the values of early childhood education as they are reflected in the ideals and principals of the NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children) code of Ethical Conduct. To the best of my ability I will

- Ensure that programs for young children are based on a current knowledge and research of child development and early childhood education.
- Respect and support families in their task of nurturing children.
- Respect colleagues in early childhood care and education and support them in maintaining the NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct.
- Serve as an advocate for children, their families, and their teachers in community and society.
- Stay informed of and maintain high standards of professional conduct.
- Engage in an ongoing process of self-reflection, realizing that personal characteristics, biases, and beliefs have an impact on children and families.
- Be open to new ideas and be willing to learn from the suggestions of others.
- Continue to learn, grow, and contribute as a professional.

Honor the ideals and principles of the NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct.

A BIG THANK YOU!

As you all know we have been struggling since the county decided to lower the payments to every childcare program that accepts state assisted childcare payments in Larimer County. This was a huge hit and we have had to cut back on everything including our activities. While going through the cutbacks I worked towards my level 3-5 for the childcare so that I can get the payments from the county increased to where we are going to be ok and not lose my families that I have had for many years. This process is a year long process that I had to do in 2 months so I really do thank everyone for their patience throughout this process. I feel relieved that I accomplished this in such a short time frame in hope of being able to keep all of my families. I am really hoping that our level is at least a 4 but I tried for a 5 to be on the safe side. We will find out by the end of November what our level comes in at and I pray that it is at least a level 4 so that I can continue accepting the CCAP Program of Larimer County.

A HUGE Thank You Dorene for your thoughtfulness and display of kindness to our childcare and all the children that we care for!

Last month we had a grandparent step up and donate a bunch of snacks for all of the children. This not only brought tears to my eyes but it also made me sit and think that we are all in this together and working together for each and everyone of these children. This act of kindness not only provided each of the kiddos with a wonderful snack every day but it also made the pumpkin patch and Mickey D's field trip possible for all age groups. Dorene we appreciate you and all that you did for our childcare family :)

Thank you!
Alan & Jackie

Thank You



for your Kindness