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HEAD START NEWS

DeLand Head Start Newsletter



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FROM THE DESK OF YOUR CDS

By: Pamela Fennett

Language and literacy begin in infancy as babies are programmed from birth to communicate. While the development of language is instinctive, it does require attention, repetition and approval from loved ones to flourish. We surround the children in our classrooms with books, words, music, and the opportunity to hear people engage in conversation. The children are invited to think out loud during large and small group times, and of course, talk to other children and adults throughout the day. Learning to use and love the power of words at this age is the key to reading later in school, so we immerse our children in a language and print-rich environment to help them get started. What can parents do? Read to your child at home, sing, chant, listen to music, play word games! Describe what you are doing in detail using rich descriptive vocabulary to expose you children to a varied of words, such as, "I am folding the blue cotton shirt for your sister. It is soft and feels smooth." Delight in what your child has to say! For more ideas, talk to your child's teacher.



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Classroom Extensions

1: 101

2: 102

3: 103

CDS Office: 120

FA Office: 110



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

November 6th Family Engagement Activity/Zoom @ 11:00am

November 11th Veterans Day Holiday/ No school

November 20th Parent Meeting/ Zoom @ 11:00am

November 23rd Thanksgiving Holidays begins (Whole week)

November 30th Classes Resume

No Early Release Dates

Noviembre 6 Actividad- Envolvimiento de familias @ 11:00am/Zoom

Noviembre 11-Dia de los Veteranos/ Festivo- No hay clases

Noviembre 20- Reunion de familias/ Zoom @ 11:00am

Noviembre 23- Vacaciones de Accion De Gracias (La semana Completa)

Noviembre 30- Regreso a la escuela



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FAMILY ADVOCATE CORNER

Dear parents:

We are so grateful with all the parents that could contact us in the October parent meeting.

We are going to give away meals that will cover Friday's breakfast and lunch beginning next week.

FA will call you with more details. November 19- Turkeys give away (To the First 500 people) @ Trinity Church, 875 Elkcarn Blvd. Deltona After 5:30pm

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Queridos padres:

Estamos muy agradecidos con los padres que pudieron contactarse con la reunion de padres en octubre.

Estaremos repartiendo comidas que cubran los desayunos y almuerzos de los Viernes comenzando la semana que viene. FA le llamara para informarles con mas detalles. Noviembre 19- Entrega de pavos. Iglesia Trinity-(A las primeras 500 personas) @ Trinity Church, 875 Elkcarn Blvd. Deltona After 5:30pm



A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

CLASSROOM 1

Classroom 1:

For the month of November, our study will continue to focus on Music. Children will continue investigating making music by learning new ways to generate sounds, experimenting with musical instruments and singing songs. Also, they will learn to strike objects and make sounds that will cause others to listen. Music is an important part of preschoolers' lives and a part of children's academic, social, and emotional development. Our music study will end before the Thanksgiving break and the children will celebrate what they have learn in this study with a musical performance in the classroom in the form of singing, dancing or playing a musical instrument. We will continue our daily routine by asking a question of the day in the mornings and our focus questions on the study during group discussion. This will assist in facilitating language development and literacy. Furthermore, on a daily basis, children will continue exploring and investigating in different centers through play (dramatic, construction, library, art, science, table toys, and computer areas). This will aid in building their social skills such as: peer interaction, sharing, taking turns, having conversations, language, how to play, etc. Consequently, children will continue learning their letters/sound, shapes, and counting and matching numbers with quantities. There will be a different letter and shape on a weekly basis. In addition, children will continue our Second Step Program where they are learning and practicing appropriate social skills.

Ms. Simone & Ms. Nancy

CLASSROOM 3

For the month of November, we will be continuing our Pet Study. We have already had a virtual field trip to an animal shelter and made homes for rescued pets. We also are taking care of our classroom pets, which are four hermit crabs. They are really fun to watch whenever they come out of hiding. From now until Thanksgiving break, we will be learning about the things different pets need to survive, and where they live, what they eat, how to care for them, and how pets make us feel We will also be learning about the letters H, R, M, and D, with colors yellow, tan, orange, and gray, along with the shapes of an octagon, hexagon, pentagon, and parallelogram. In Second Step we will continue with social and emotional studies by learning how to identify anger, how to identify if someone's feelings are the same or different from our own, and how to identify when something happens by accident and how to say we are sorry.

Ms. Sheila & Ms. Mary

CLASSROOM 2

Temporarily Closed



HOME LEARNING / FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Be on the lookout for these home activities from your teachers. They will be developmental learning activities covering "Cognitive Domain" such as "Routines in a book", Musical water and "Surprise Box." They will be sent in Spanish & English.

POLICY COUNCIL UPDATES

The start of a new Policy Council has begun on October 22, 2020. Policy Council met via Zoom to allow ease for communication and voting while practicing COVID 19 safety practices. All Board leadership positions were voted upon and filled. The September minutes were approved by the new Policy Council. Eight prospective hires were approved. OHS IM (ACF-IM-HS-20-05) was reviewed regarding the Focus Area One and Focus Area Two Audits, as well as CLASS will not be audited for the 2020-2021 year. Service area and center reports were approved.



PARENT MEETING MINUTES

- Welcome: by Rayah Clark/
- Secretary
- Ms. Clark introduced herself to
- the parents sharing her experience with the child care environment working in other states.
- Ice Breaker: Family Advocate
- Celebrate the Hispanic Heritage:
- How to make a homemade maracas and Mexican hat with paper cups, tape, glue and disposable plates
- Sensory Play: container with rice and beans.
- Voting of Officers: Application for Policy Community Representative Meeha, Jason
- Parents voted yes for the participation in the Policy Council Meetings.
- What's going on in my classroom?
- Ms. Sheila informed the parents about the pet theme activities in her classroom. Ms. Simone reported to the parents about the musical instrument's activities in her classroom.
- Important events: Family Advocate November 6th Family Engagement Activity/Zoom @ 11:00am
- November 11th Veterans Day Holiday/ No school
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- November 23rd. Thanksgiving Holidays begins (Whole week)
- November 30 – Classes Resume
- November 19-Turkeys
- Give away (To the First 500 people) @ Trinity Church, 875 Elkcam Blvd. Deltona After 5:30pm
- Introduce Parent Curriculum (What 's you do matter) Family Advocate
- Raffle Winners: Lucia, keishandyann
- Questions and concerns.
- Meeting adjourned @ 11:30 am



Classroom 1: Violet's Music by Angela Johnson

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q5tsr0lh884>

Classroom 3: Swimmy by Leo Lionni

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BDR78REU8Y>

CHILDREN'S BOOK SUGGESTION