October 2014

Nativity Early Learning Center Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES

October 7th and 8th
Picture Day for Tweeties and Munchkins.

MEA-October 15th, 16th, 17th
We will have extra care days for K-6th grade. Watch for sign-up sheets.

Extended Day MEA Activities
October 15th-Jersey Day! Come to school dressed in your favorite Jersey.
October 16th –Halloween Bingo!
October 17th – P.J. and Movie Day! Come dressed to school in your comfy clothes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Usborne Book Fair- November 3rd-7th. 50% will be returned in FREE books for the NELC.
- Parent Teacher Conferences for Tweeties and Munchkins- November 11th, 12th, 13th.
- Extra Care Day for K-6th- November 14th and 26th.
- The NELC will be closed November 27th and 28th in observance of Thanksgiving.

Parent Advisory Board

Interested in getting more involved in your child's early education? The NELC is in need of parents who would like to participate in the NELC Parent Advisory Board. Our first meeting will be on Tuesday, October 21st from 6:00pm-7:00pm in the Tweety classroom. All parents are welcome to attend.

Your Child's Paperwork

Please complete and return your child (ren's) immunizations and health care summaries as soon as possible. These forms are needed so we may complete our filing of the Annual Child Care Immunization report. Your doctor may fax the NELC at 651-696-5458.

Daily Drop off Procedures

For the respect of all in attendance, we ask that your child be dropped off no later than 9:00am. The NELC should be notified if a child will be late or absent for any reason. The NELC teachers will call home to verify children's whereabouts when they are not present and we have not been notified of their absence.

Halloween Parties

Please make sure to check candy labels for peanut/tree nuts before sending in Halloween candy for your child (ren's) classroom parties. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

No Hot Lunch

All children will need a cold lunch October 15th, 16th and 17th.

Parent Websites!

help me GROW

Is a statewide initiative for public awareness about child development and the availability of special services for eligible children, from birth to kindergarten entrance. Please check out their website at www.helpmegrowramseyco.org

parentsknow

Is an innovative website for parents hosted by The Minnesota Department of Education (MDA). The website provides resources on child development, parent education, child care and consumer safety information and includes links to MDA and other trusted websites. Features of the MN ParentsKnow website includes:

- A-Z Parenting Topics
- Developmental Milestones
- Smart Screening and Web Guide
- Everyday Parent to Parent

Please check out their website at www.MNParentsKnow.info

Health and Illness

Since the NELC is equipped and licensed to care for well children, a child that shows signs of illness in the morning should NOT be brought to the NELC. Please contact us immediately if your child has been exposed to or contracted a contagious disease, since other children and families may have been unknowingly exposed. The NELC will take the responsibility of informing other families with the utmost confidentiality. We appreciate calls reporting the reason for a child's absence.

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Classroom Monthly Highlights

Tweety Room

Classroom #: 696-5450
teamtweety@gmail.com
Our themes this month include:
Colors, Fall and Halloween
Special Projects:
- → Joseph's coat of many colors
- → Fall patterns
- → Leaf sorting
- → Frankenstein feet

Dramatic Play: Spooky costume shop
Science Area: Pumpkins inside and out
Sensory Table: Spiders and cotton balls

Munchkin 1 Room

Classroom #: 696-5449
nelc.munchkins1@gmail.com
Our themes this month include:
Halloween, Transportation and Community Helpers
Special Projects:
- → Hot air balloon math
- → Witch feet art
- → Cheesecloth ghosts

Dramatic Play: Costumes
Science Area: Magnets
Sensory Table: Corn

Munchkin 2 Room

Classroom #: 696-5451
nelc.munchkins.cristina@gmail.com
Our themes this month include:
Transportation, Community Helpers, Fire Prevention and Halloween
Special Projects:
- → Hot air balloon
- → Helper match
- → Visit from the fire department

Dramatic Play: Halloween costume shop
Science Area: Colors
Sensory Table: Seeds and measuring tools

Crocs (Kinders) Room

Classroom #: 696-5448
crocs.nelc@gmail.com
Our themes this month include:
Leaves/Fall, Columbus Day and Halloween
Special Projects:
- → Leaf hunt
- → Leaf rubbings and prints
- → Ships across the ocean
- → Cheesecloth ghosts

Dramatic Play: Post office
Science Area: Color mixing
Sensory Table: Rice

Gators (1st Grade) Room

Classroom #: 696-5446
gators.nelc@gmail.com
Our themes this month include:
Music, Columbus Day and Fall
Special Projects:
- → Design and decorate a CD + cover art
- → Christopher Columbus and explorer bingo
- → Decorate trees for different seasons

Dramatic Play: Bakery/Restaurant
Science Area: Outer space
Sensory Table: Rocks

Zone (2nd-6th Grade) Room

Classroom #: 696-5447
Zoneroom.nelc@gmail.com
Our theme this month includes:
Halloween
Special Projects:
- → Paper pumpkins
- → Halloween costume drawings

Dramatic Play: Birthday
Science Area: Rocks and geology

Happy Birthday Everyone!

Easton K.- 2nd, Lucy F.-3rd, Molly M.-3rd, Clara P.-7th, Amelia S.-8th, Karson S.-9th, Miss Alyssa Barr-13th, Caroline H.-14th, Elisa N.-21st, Maggie H.-23rd and Abby M.-30th

If you are unable to reach your child (ren's) classroom at the end of the day, please call the NELC emergency cell phone at 651-327-9254. This phone is typically operational each day at 4:00pm.