



# Reading Friends

## November News

### November Attribute

This month we are learning what it means to be **thankful**. We will talk about our monthly virtue and the things for which we are thankful as we approach Thanksgiving later this month.

### Important Dates:

#### November 20:

Pre-K Thanksgiving Play  
Keystone Church  
10:00 am

#### November 22-29:

##### **NO SCHOOL**

Thanksgiving Break

#### November 21:

Kindergarten Thanksgiving  
Feast  
1:15 pm

#### December 4:

Casa Manana Field Trip  
*Kindergarten Only*

### Thanksgiving Food Drive

This month, we are collecting items for GRACE's Thanksgiving Food Drive. Please see below for the donation list. This is something that Reading Friends does every year, and we love the opportunity to give back to the community around us.

**Please have your items returned to the school by Tuesday, November 19th.**

READING FRIENDS' THANKSGIVING

# FOOD DRIVE

ITEMS DUE BY TUESDAY, NOV. 19TH

## DONATION ITEMS:

- CONDIMENTS
- CHICKEN BROTH
- CANNED MEATS
- CANNED FRUITS
- CRACKERS/SALTINES
- PANCAKE MIX
- PEANUT BUTTER
  - JELLY
- OATMEAL
  - OIL
  - SYRUP
- PASTA
- PASTA SAUCE
- RICE (1 LB)
- MASHED POTATOES
- SALAD DRESSING
- SEASONINGS
- SUGAR
- RAMEN
- CEREAL
- FLOUR



## Developmental

We will review and name the colors we have learned so far.  
Please continue to have your child wear the color of the week.

Our remaining colors (in order):

Purple

Brown

Green

Red

White

Circle Time: We will learn about the first Thanksgiving and how the Native Americans taught the Pilgrims how to hunt and plant food. We will discuss what we enjoy most about Thanksgiving, including our favorite food at the Thanksgiving meal. We will talk about what it means to be thankful and give each child the chance to say the things for which s/he is thankful. We will learn about the Christmas holiday, Christmas symbols, and decorations.

Art: Bumblebee, Purple Grapes; Handprint Turkey; Christmas Wreath

All books and songs will be on the daily sheets!

# Primary

**Language:** We will continue to introduce capital letters in ABC order. We have learned A-D so far. We play the Alphabet pickup game and alphabet hide and seek to review all the letters we've learned. We sing Thanksgiving songs this month and learn to "parrot" or repeat after our teachers for numbers and objects. We will discuss pilgrims and what it means to be thankful. We will also begin to learn about the Christmas holiday and sing Christmas carols.

**Math:** We will continue to understand the calendar and review the shapes. We will work on naming & recognizing the numbers 2 and 3, as well as starting number lines. We will continue to work on first, last, and positional words such as up, down, over, under, beside, in front of, behind, between

**Art:** Thanksgiving Surprises and Turkey Art.

**Gross Motor:** This month we will focus on skills associated with kickball!

**Discovery:** We will use our 5 senses to explore fall and make leaf crafts.

## 5-Day Primary

We will focus on writing more independently and developing proper crayon/pencil grip and posture. We will learn the importance of letter formation and page direction. We will begin Dot-to-Dots, which are excellent vehicles to encourage pre-writing, sequencing, letter/number recognition, and problem solving skills.

# Pre-K

**Language:** We have started spelling words using our sound picture cards and letters. We are also sequencing the alphabet on our canopies.

## **We will meet our 2 Jungle Friends:**

1. Lid the Lion

Lid loves to nap; his eyelids are closed and he purrs (l)(l)(l).

2. Dip the Dolphin

Dip's broken tail makes diving difficult, so he splashes (d) into the water.

**Math:** We will continue to discuss shapes and their different characteristics. We will focus on learning and practicing how to place and count objects in a set. We will also be writing the numbers 6 and 7. We will review more and less than and begin patterning.

**Discovery:** We will learn about voting! We will cast ballots for our favorite jungle friend and many of our favorite things! We will learn about Thanksgiving, the Mayflower, Pilgrims, and Native Americans. We talk about the difference between living and non-living things. We will begin to learn about Brazil!

**Art:** All of our art projects this month have to do with Fall and Thanksgiving.

**Gross Motor:** November is a bouncy month in motor class. We are learning the sport of kickball. In order to play well, we have to learn to control the direction of the ball that we kick. Please ask your child about the different types of balls we will use to practice.



# Pre-K Thanksgiving Play

NOVEMBER 20 | 10:00 AM

PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILD THERE AT 9:30 AM

Keystone Church  
1939 Keller Parkway

The students work very hard on this production, and we know they would love to see you there. You **will not** bring your child to the school before the play. There will be school after the play, but parents are responsible for driving their child to the school.



# Kindergarten

*Reminder: The amount of time you spend reading together makes a huge difference in their success as readers.*

**Social Studies:** It's a patriotic month! We will hold our own class election, learn about American symbols and holidays. We will recognize Veteran's Day and have a Thanksgiving feast to remember the first Thanksgiving.

**Reading:** We have individualized reading curriculum for each child, focusing on fluency and comprehension. The students meet with Ms. Mallory during centers to receive one-on-one reading instruction. In whole group lesson, we are learning word families with short a, short o, and short e sounds. Reading comprehension will focus on text features and how to ask questions about our reading.

**Writing:** We will review nouns and learn about pronouns. We will learn to use words and sentences to tell a narrative story with a beginning, middle, and end. We will work to stretch our story across multiple pages and learn how to know when we are done.

**Math:** We will learn about \$1, \$5, and \$10 bills during our unit on money. We will also learn about measuring length using standard and non-standard units. We will use comparative language, such as equal to, greater than, less than, etc. We will act out our story problems - some, some more (addition) and some, some went away (subtraction). We will continue to construct graphs using objects and pictures.

**STEAM:** This month we will be making turkey pens for keeping Tom Turkey contained.

Students are working at their own pace on Education.com, which is the language arts computer program. The kids are really enjoying the Mercy Watson read aloud chapter books! Be sure to ask them what Mercy has been up to.



# KINDERGARTEN THANKS GIVING FEAST

Please join us  
for a Kindergarten Only  
Thanksgiving Feast

November 21  
1:15 pm

[CLICK HERE FOR THE  
SIGN-UP GENIUS](#)



KINDERGARTEN ONLY



**4** DEC  
2024

**10**<sup>30</sup>  
AM

**3101 W. LANCASTER  
FORT WORTH, TX**

PLEASE MEET THE TEACHERS IN THE  
LOBBY AT 9:45 AM  
WE WILL TAKE A CLASS PICTURE AND BE  
SEATED AT 10:00 AM  
*ONLY ONE GUEST/ CHILD*

Please **call** the office or **email** us with any questions!

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