



Kremmling Preschool Newsletter

November 17, 2021



PJ DAY TOMORROW - The friends have asked for a PJ day to send us on our way for Thanksgiving break so that is what we will do. If your preschooler would like to participate, they may wear their most comfy, favorite PJs to school tomorrow, Thursday, Nov. 18th!



MISS SARA'S SECTION - "Hello! I enjoyed seeing and visiting with families at conferences. Thank you all for coming in. We have been practicing table manners for Thanksgiving dinner and making cute turkey crafts! Everyone have a great break! Looking forward to our Christmas concert! Happy Thanksgiving!"



CRAFT FAIR FUNDRAISER - The preschool's annual craft fair will be Saturday, December 4th. This is a fundraiser for the preschool scholarships. **Please see the top of the cubbies for signup sheets for your fundraising hours. We have a lot of opportunity with this fundraiser to fulfill hours and really need your help. Thank you!!** Also, if you are interested in being a vendor please see Michele for a form or want to make a donation, please contact Brittany at 970-331-2795.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT - Our annual preschool Christmas program will be December 9, 2021 at 6:30pm in the West Grand High School auditorium. **Please bring your child, to the bandroom doors at 6:15pm.** Please, no snow boots as the children will be going up and down the risers. There will be lots of room, so friends and family are welcome to attend.



EMERGENCY INFORMATION - If you have moved, changed jobs, changed cell phone numbers, emergency contact people's information has changed, please stop by the office and update your information for our records. It is very important the preschool is able to reach you or someone you have delegated in the event of an illness or emergency. If you are not sure what numbers you have on file, please contact Michele at (970) 724-9483 to review.



THANKSGIVING BREAK - The preschool will be closed next week, November 22-25 so that our staff may enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday with their families. We hope you all get to enjoy time with your families and loved ones, Happy Thanksgiving!



CALENDAR of EVENTS:

- Nov. 22-25 Thanksgiving Break, Preschool Closed
- Dec. 4 Preschool Craft Fair, volunteer sign-up sheets on top of cubbies
- Dec. 9 Christmas Program, 630p
- Dec. 16 Christmas Cookie Decorating/PJ & Movie Day
- Dec. 20-30 Winter Break, Preschool Closed

*Please do not hesitate to call or stop by with any questions or concerns! 724-9483 Michele DeSanti, Director.

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Impress your family with these Thanksgiving Day facts:

- **The first Thanksgiving was held in the autumn of 1621** and included 50 Pilgrims and 90 Wampanoag Indians and lasted three days. Many historians believe that only five women were present at that first Thanksgiving, as many women settlers didn't survive that difficult first year in the U.S.
- **Thanksgiving didn't become a national holiday until over 200 years later!** Sarah Josepha Hale, the woman who actually wrote the classic song "Mary Had a Little Lamb," convinced President Lincoln in 1863 to make Thanksgiving a national holiday, after writing letters for 17 years campaigning for this to happen.
- **No turkey on the menu at the first Thanksgiving:** Historians say that no turkey was served at the first Thanksgiving! What was on the menu? Deer or venison, ducks, geese, oysters, lobster, eel and fish. They probably ate pumpkins, but no pumpkin pies. They also didn't eat mashed potatoes or cranberry relish, but they probably ate cranberries. And no, Turduckens (a turkey stuffed with a duck stuffed with a chicken) were nowhere to be found during that first Thanksgiving.
- **No forks at the first Thanksgiving!** The first Thanksgiving was eaten with spoons and knives — but no forks! That's right, forks weren't even introduced to the Pilgrims until 10 years later and weren't a popular utensil until the 18th century.
- **Thanksgiving is the reason for TV dinners!** In 1953, Swanson had so much extra turkey (260 tons) that a salesman told them they should package it onto aluminum trays with other sides like sweet potatoes — and the first TV dinner was born!
- **Thanksgiving was almost a fast — not a feast!** The early settlers gave thanks by praying and abstaining from food, which is what they planned on doing to celebrate their first harvest, that is, until the Wampanoag Indians joined them and (lucky for us!) turned their fast into a three-day feast!

- **Presidential pardon of a turkey:** Each year, the president of the U.S pardons a turkey and spares it from being eaten for Thanksgiving dinner. The first turkey pardon ceremony started with President Truman in 1947. President Obama pardoned a 45-pound turkey named Courage, who has flown to Disneyland and served as Grand Marshal of the park's Thanksgiving Day parade!
- **Why is Thanksgiving the fourth Thursday in November?** President Abe Lincoln said Thanksgiving would be the fourth Thursday in November, but in 1939 President Roosevelt moved it up a week hoping it would help the shopping season during the Depression era. It never caught on and it was changed back two years later.
- **The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade began in 1924** with 400 employees marching from Convent Ave to 145th street in New York City. No large balloons were at this parade, as it featured only live animals from Central Park Zoo.
- **Turkey isn't responsible for drowsiness or the dreaded "food coma."** So what is? Scientists say that extra glass of wine, the high-calorie meal or relaxing after a busy work schedule is what makes you drowsy!
- **How did the tradition of watching football on Thanksgiving start?** The NFL started the Thanksgiving Classic games in 1920 and since then the Detroit Lions and the Dallas Cowboys have hosted games on Turkey Day. In 2006, a third game was added with different teams hosting.
- **Wild turkeys can run 20 miles per hour when they are scared**, but domesticated turkeys that are bred are heavier and can't run quite that fast.

