

Meadow Flower Nursery School

Fair Haven, New Jersey



News from the Meadow
November 2017

*** <u>IN-HOUSE REGISTRATION WEDNESDAY NOV. 15th 7:00AM</u> ***

NEW REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

As the cool crisp days of November come upon us we can all take a deep breath, enjoy the changes in nature and make the time to count our blessings. A stroll through the woods might find the squirrels scurrying around gathering up supplies for the winter months. During the "Thanksgiving" month we will be talking about the special things that make us happy and make us smile. We should all be aware of all the riches in life that aren't counted in dollars and cents.

We count our blessings at Meadow Flower every day because we are so blessed to have your children touch our lives. Each child is so unique and special and even though they've only been with us a short time, we've learned a lot about each one and each smile is a wonderful reason to be thankful. It is a pure joy to see the same faces that were sad in September, so happy and eager for a new school day.

We had a GREAT October; we got a chance to squirt the hose while a real fireman talked to us about not being afraid if a firefighter was ever needed.

We all bounced around on an "old hay wagon", sang songs and found our own pumpkins.
We got to share our first holiday celebration with our new friends, and got to dress-up in special costumes. We would like to thank the Fair Haven police department for the glow sticks they provided to use on Halloween night to help keep us safe.

I would like to invite parents to attend an informal meeting, which will be held on Tuesday November 7th at 8:45AM. The purpose of this meeting is to answer any questions regarding our program and the upcoming events. The new registration procedure will also be discussed. It should only last about 30 minutes and you may bring children. The meeting will take place in the <u>UPSTAIRS CLASSROOM</u>. There will only be this one parent meeting, so if your child is in a different session, please feel free to attend. This meeting is not mandatory.

Registration information will be handed out on November 6th and 7th. If you have any questions regarding your child's placement for next year, please speak with their teacher.

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Children spending an extra year at Meadow Flower will be given priority for the 5 day AM program. Please remember in-house families will register before the public and the first public open house is Dec. 5th. Siblings can also be registered at this time.

<u>All programs are first come first served. NO TEACHER REQUESTS PLEASE.</u>

The first week in November is American Art week. Art is a very important part of our curriculum; it helps build self-esteem and creativity. Asking questions like "Can you tell me about it?" helps the child share with you what he or she was doing and thinking. It is our intent to simply present the materials, give them some motivation and make sure they can handle all the materials (work with the scissors; squirt the right amount of glue, etc.).

The "greatest works" show the reality of their minds and emotions, not always the reality of the physical appearances. By letting children have a structured setting, big paper and plenty of work space, their creativity can blossom.



Election Day will find some of our classes voting for snack or maybe what toys they will play with for the day. We will also be learning about Pilgrims and Native Americans this month. The children will be asked to think of a Native American name; learn their games and what their homes looked like. Weather permitting we will set up a Native American village. We end our Thanksgiving celebration with a fruit feast. The classes will prepare different fruits and make popcorn for our snack, which we will eat together.



<u>REMINDERS</u>

- **Tuition payment # 4 is due Nov. 1st. Activity fee was due October 15th.**
- **You should have received the order form for tee shirts. They are due back by Nov 17th and will be ready for the holidays.**
- **IN HOUSE REGISTRATION STARTS NOV. 15, 2017 at 7:00 AM. You will be given detailed information on the new procedure.**
- **PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE December 5, 2017 at 9:00 AM.**
- **<u>Extended care is available 11:30AM - 3:00PM if you need more time to do your holiday shopping.</u>**
- **We have decided to partner again with Holiday Express as a "giving partner". Detailed information will be handed out in November.**

Count Your Blessings Month!



