BRADLEY HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NURSERY SCHOOL

November 2019 Newsletter The Bear Facts

Celebrating 62 Years of Early Childhood Education

Dear Parents,

November is a time to be thankful for our many blessings. At BHPCNS we focus on Family, Food, Fun, and Thankfulness with our bear cubs. There will be many discussions about what we are thankful for and usually the answer is YOU! There will be a Thanksgiving feast for our 4s' classes, and classroom celebrations for our 2s and 3s. Thank you to the room parents for organizing the fun!

Beginning in November we will be conducting our speech and OT screenings. These screenings are important to determine if a child's speech, fine motor, gross motor, sensory motor, motor planning, and social play are all developing appropriately. As our screenings are brief assessments/snapshots in time, a more comprehensive evaluation may be suggested for some children to determine if interventions are needed for a child's development. Early intervention will have a positive impact on a child's ability to be successful in school, play sports, to run, ride a bike, to be able to speak and play with their peers, find coping skills for sensory issues, and so much more. Please take advantage of these free screenings. Contact the office or your child's teacher for more details.

Registration for new students for the 2020-21 school year has begun. Registration for **children currently enrolled at BHPCNS** will be December 12 and 13. Applications will be available on the website at www.bhpcns.org, after Thanksgiving. Download, complete, and return the applications to BHPCNS no earlier than December 12 and no later than December 13 in order to be given priority in enrollment. (Full Registration Details on page 8.)

Security Grant Update: Over the summer I applied for a grant from the Maryland Center for School Safety. BHPCNS has been awarded a safety and security grant in the amount of \$115,000. These funds will be used to create a mass communication system for all building users, add additional security cameras, and improve our door access control systems. The BHPCNS Board's Safety and Security Committee will be working on getting estimates, identifying vendors, hiring, and overseeing these improvements.

At BHPCNS we are thankful for your children, and their wonderful parents. I am personally thankful to the amazing staff of dedicated teachers who care for your children each day. Wishing everyone the happiest of Thanksgivings!



UPCOMING EVENTS

THANKSGIVING FUN

Thanksgiving Celebrations:

MWF 2s and 3s classes and all the 4s' classes will have their Thanksgiving celebrations on Monday, November 25.

T/Th classes, and our 5 day 3s' classes will have their Thanksgiving celebrations on Tuesday, November 26.

BHPCNS will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday Wednesday November 27 through December 1.

THANKSGIVING LINKS

In doing some research for our school Thanksgiving celebrations I came across these links which had fun and educational ideas on how to make Thanksgiving meaningful for children of all ages.

CBS Chicago

Today Parents

National Geographic

And there are many more ideas at Pinterest and Instagram. However you celebrate may your Thanksgiving holiday be filled with love and gratitude.



PARENTS' GROUP LETTER

We are so grateful to everyone who has volunteered to be room parents this year. Thank you for organizing parent coffees, and for being a liaison between the parents and teachers. Your help is invaluable!

Our Fall/Holiday Art Fundraiser is under way and we're LOVING the artwork that your children have produced! We've gotten orders for tote bags, water bottles, note cards, coasters, ornaments, etc.! We're so excited to see the finished products in December. Remember that each piece of art needs to be accompanied by its own order form. If you would like an extra form, please stop by the front office or email Maggie for a copy that can be printed at home. All order forms are due back to the large box outside the front office, to Maggie or Sarah directly, or to your child's teacher by November 8th. Please return your orders in the large brown envelopes. And don't forget that older siblings can participate too! Just make sure to include an additional order form. This is a great way to get your holiday shopping done while supporting BHPCNS!

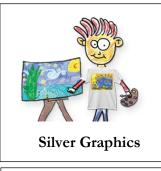
With the cold weather approaching, now is the time to start labeling coats, hats, mittens, and boots! Check out LabelDaddy for labels that are machine washable and don't require any ironing or sewing. LabelDaddy will give you 10% off your order and give 15% back to BHPCNS when you visit their website: bhpcns.labeldaddy.com and enter code BHPCNS at checkout.

Lastly, we want to remind everyone of our partnership with Amazon Smile. When buying your household essentials, holiday gifts, etc., please remember to order via smile.amazon.com and select **Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church.** A portion of all order proceeds will be donated to BHPCNS!

We hope you and your family have a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving holiday! We are thankful for your wonderful support!

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PARENTS' GROUP DONUTS WITH DAD: NOVEMBER 11 AND 12!



Dads or any special person in your child's life are invited to breakfast in Memorial Hall. Come out for coffee, juice, and donuts!

MWF classes are invited to come on November 11. Register by clicking here.

T/Th classes are invited to come on November 12. Register by clicking here.

MTWThF Classes may come either date. Register via the links above.

Join us between 8:30 and 9:00 am.

If you could pick up the donuts and coffee either morning, please contact the office to help!



Happy November from the Nursery School Board!

Our Board did not meet last month (we meet bi-monthly), however subcommittees of the Board were very active during October. Both the Long Term Planning and the Safety subcommittees held their first meetings to determine scope of work and action items for the upcoming year. Both subcommittees have robust agendas with exciting work ahead. The Board's Finance Committee also met this month and the Nursery School remains in good shape financially.

The Nursery School Board's next meeting is November 14, 2019 at 7pm. Parents are welcome to join us. Please send an email to <u>Board@bhpcns.org</u> to get more details. Feedback from parents is very helpful to us throughout the year. You can reach us directly at that email address or fill out an anonymous form on the Board portion of the school website. We hope you all have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

BRADLEY HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWS

Some of you asked how the House of Abraham Friday Prayer Service is going. The service has met for eleven Fridays now, between 1:15pm-1:50pm. There has been a range of between 9 and 34 people, with an average of 20 congregants praying most Fridays. At least one police officer has been present every week to help with parking, to keep cars from cutting through the lot while children are playing after school on playgrounds, and to ensure all runs smoothly. During this introduction, we have felt it important to seek and receive feedback from our fellow partners and building users, specifically the nursery school and BJC, which has proved productive and positive. With their input, Friday prayer service logistics seem to be going well with all users of the space enjoying their activities. Of course, if anyone has further suggestions or comments, please stop by the church office to let us know.

If you would like to participate in one of the Friday prayer services, which meets in Covenant Hall, the House of Abraham would welcome your visit. Several church members have already joined and have found them meaningful.





Upcoming activities of interest at the church:

Sunday, November 17 – During the education hour (10:45-11:30), there will be an Interfaith Education Activity for all children in first grade through eighth grade that will be open to children and youth from the Jewish and Muslim congregations with whom we are worshipping. All are invited to the Interfaith Brunch following the service. To RSVP: click here: **2019 Interfaith Brunch Reservation Form**

Sunday, November 17, 5:00 pm - The Thirteen, a professional choir specializing in early music, especially that of the Renaissance and Baroque, and led by BHPC Director of Music, Matthew Robertson, will be performing Monteverdi: The Lost Vespers. Tickets may be purchased at the Thirteen's website: https://www.thethirteenchoir.org/lostvespers

Sunday, November 24 - Chili Cook-Off and Great Bradley Hills Bake-Off – 5:00-7:00 pm. All ages are welcome!

ASQ-3 INFORMATION, ADDITIONAL RESOURCES & SCREENINGS

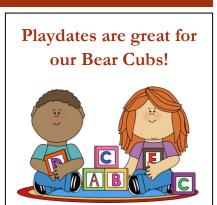
Thank you to everyone for completing the ASQ-3 questionnaire for your child(ren). We had a 97% return rate. The information gathered from the ASQs show that we need to increase our fine motor activities and work on children's social personal skills, i.e. independence skills, putting on a jacket, buttoning, brushing teeth and more.

Here's a great resource for activities to support your child's development at home with, visit www.IMHPromotions.ca, and look for activities to support your child's ongoing physical and social emotional development. These age-appropriate activities are fun for the whole family to play and while you are playing your children are growing, getting stronger, learning, and mastering new skills.

Gross Motor skills are also key to not only a child's physical development but their social emotional development too. Read more about how gross motor skills affect the play and development of children by clicking here. Fine motor skills are needed for so many daily and educational task, eating, dressing, writing, and more. Learn more about fun ways to build fine motor skills through play by clicking here.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PLAY DATES

We love having your child in our classes and activities where there is lots of large group socialization. To supplement the large group experience we recommend playdates. Playdates provide children with the opportunity to play one on one with a peer, the chance to share, take turns, practice manners. These are all very important skills for our children to master. Talk with your child about who their special friends are at school and arrange a playdate at your home or the park. While a school setting provides lots of group dynamics it's important for a child to just play with a friend in an unstructured environment. For more information on playdates click here.



AND HOW PLAY DATES CAN ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD'S PRETEND PLAY

PRETEND PLAY

Did you know that Scholastic Books has wonderful parent resources? Here's the first paragraph of a great article about the importance of pretend play. Young children learn by imagining and doing. Have you ever watched your child pick up a stone and pretend it is a zooming car, or hop a Lego across the table as if it were a person or a bunny? Your child is using an object to represent something else while giving it action and motion. But this pretend play is not as simple as it may seem. The process of pretending builds skills in many essential developmental areas. Click here to access the full article.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE WITH BHPC AND BJC



BHPCNS in partnership with BHPC and BJC, are participating in a Thanksgiving food drive to feed 40 local families in need. Please drop off your non-perishable contributions outside the school office by Friday, November 8th. See flyer that was sent home for a list of suggested donations.

LABEL YOUR CHILDREN'S BELONGINGS



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Bradley's bear cubs go outside almost every day. As the temperatures get colder, the need for jackets, hats, and mittens, gets greater.

Please label your children's belongings.

Our lost and found, located by room 117, is filling up with items that are unmarked and we can't figure out the owners. Many children have the same jackets and without a name inside it's very hard for the teachers to keep the right child in the right jacket.

UPCOMING EVENTS: MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE IMPORTANT DATES



Christmas Sing Alongs for 3 and 4 year old classes!

Tuesday, December 17th at 9:30 am in Covenant Hall for the T/Th 3s in Room 105.

Wednesday, December 18th at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary for all MWF classes and M-F classes.

Everyone is invited to attend the Sing Alongs & the classroom parties.

BHPCNS LENDING LIBRARY

Have you seen our lending library??? Located outside the BHPCNS Rainy Day Room is our book display. Simply select the title you want to take home and bring the book to the office for our librarian, Mrs. Michael, to check out the book. We ask that you keep the book for a few days and then return the book and select another. We will keep a rotation of seasonal and children's favorite books on our shelves for families to borrow. Happy Reading.



COUGH, COLD AND FLU SEASON IS BEGINNING



Cold, cough, and flu season has begun. To prevent the spread of illnesses:

- 1. Have all of your family members vaccinated against the flu.
- 2. Wash hands upon entering the building, parents, students and siblings.
- 3. If your child is sick, KEEP THEM HOME and then keep them home for 24 hours once they are no longer contagious.

By working together we can keep the BHPCNS community as healthy as possible.

BILL JENKINS: NATIVE AMERICAN MUSIC COMING TO BHPCNS!

Bill Jenkins: Native American Music

Bill Jenkins will be here to share his collection of Native American instruments. The children will beat drums, shake bells, and more as they sing and dance to traditional Native American music as well as some familiar nursery school songs. Bill Jenkins is a musician and educator offering hands-on programs for all ages with instruments from around the world. His extensive instrument collection has grown to over 200 and is the largest of its kind outside of a museum. We are thrilled to have Bill perform and teach our bear cubs.



ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT NEWS ITEMS

Left over Halloween Candy: The office will be collecting left over Halloween candy for our troops. Mrs. McCauley will take the extra candy to the USO lounge at Dulles airport where she is a volunteer.

Angel Giving Tree: BHPCNS will participate in the BHPC toy collection for disadvantaged children for the holidays Please consider donating an unwrapped toy for a young child in the collection bin outside the office in early December. Details will be coming home soon.

Snack Allergen Forms: These forms were distributed to all children via their folders at the start of the school year. Please complete this form whenever you are bringing a snack or special food item into school. Additional forms are on the website or available in the office.

Car Magnets: Show your BHPCNS pride with one of our fabulous car magnets. If you have lost yours, there are lots more in the office. Stop by and get one!

Bringing Objects From Home: We are seeing lots of children bringing in special headbands, jewelry, sweaters, etc. These items are easily lost. If they stay home then there are no tears should an item be lost or misplaced.

Jumpstart's Read for the Record: The week of November 4th, BHPCNS' 3 and 4 year old classes will participate in Jumpstart's Read for the Record. I loved sharing Thank You Omu by Oge Mora with the classes. Our 100 plus readers joined over a million others reading the same book, on the same day, and we learned about how kindness and sharing makes the world a better place.

ACTIVE OUTDOOR WEAR

We are outside every day. Please dress your child for active play both indoors and outdoors. This includes well fitting, closed-toed shoes, and socks. Shoes must stay on a child's feet when running and climbing. Loose fitting pants, leggings, sweat pants, shirts, jackets allow children to move about freely on our play equipment. For our dress loving bear cubs we ask that the children wear shorts underneath. Questions, check with your teacher or office.











NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Please wish our bear cubs a happy birthday!

Cambria Baker Juliana Chan Benjamin Leininger Edison Smink Ted Rabin-Rosfjord Avery Yang CJ Herman

Samantha Hennessey Emma Sofia Hard Ava Montesinos Sammy Hertz Cooper Brandaleone Ellie Angle Betty Callahan

Reminder: When sending in birthday treats, please send in **small** cupcakes, mini muffins, fruit kabobs, etc., keeping classroom food allergies in mind. We share birthday treats at snack time! If you have any questions, please reach out to your child's teacher or the office!

WEATHER RELATED CLOSINGS



BHPCNS follows Montgomery County Public Schools, MCPS, emergency weather closings. To be in the know signup for MCPS Alerts click here.

In a nutshell here's what we do:

If MCPS schools are closed, BHPCNS will be closed.

If MCPS has a two hour delay, BHPCNS will begin the school day at 11:00 am, except for Early Morning with Bradley Bear students who may arrive at 10 am.

Students in the 2-year-old program may come at 11:00 am and stay until 12:30 pm. Lunch Bunch will be cancelled. We will provide a hearty snack.

If MCPS closes schools early, BHPCNS will close at 11:30 for the 2s and 12:30 for the 3s and 4s. Stay and Play will be cancelled.

YOUNG 2S & STAY AND PLAY & SELECTED CLASS OPENINGS AT BHPCNS

- Do you or a friend have a child who was born between September 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017? If so, they are eligible for our Young 2s program beginning in January 2020. For more details, contact the office. We have very limited openings and would love to have your child join the fun.
- Several Stay and Play programs have limited openings. Check in the office to see about signing up your child, especially as soccer and fall sports wrap up.
- Due to several unexpected family re-locations, we have limited openings in several of our morning programs. Please refer friends or new neighbors to us!



SUPER FRIEND

Scripted Stories for Social Situations are being used at BHPCNS to help children understand social interactions, situations, expectations, social cues, the script of unfamiliar activities and/or social rules. As the title implies, the stories are brief descriptive stories that provide information regarding a social situation. When children are given information that helps them understand the expectations of a situation, their problem behavior within that situation is reduced or minimized.

We've continued to share <u>How to Be A Super Friend</u>. A Super Friend is a child who learns how to play and interact with his classmates at school. By reading social stories and modeling appropriate behaviors the children really learn the give and take of play in a group setting. The story also helps the child identify his feelings and how he can be a better Super Friend. Ask your child about being a Super Friend. If you'd like a copy of the story for home, let us know and we will put one together



December's newsletter will introduce you to A Solutions Kit. For a sneak peek <u>click here</u>.

BHPCNS implements many of the strategies being shared with you from Vanderbilt University's Center for the Social Emotional Foundations for Early Learners, CSEFEL.

These resources are available at the **CSEFEL website**.

Their Book Nook and Book List contain wonderful books to enhance your child's social and emotional development. Watch for profiles on these materials in the coming months. In the meantime your child's teacher or Liz Sobrino can help you utilize these tools with your child(ren).

2020-2021 REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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Registration Options:

5 day 4s, Monday through Friday

3 day 4s, Monday-Wednesday-Friday

5 day 3s, Monday through Friday

3 day 3s, Monday-Wednesday-Friday

2 day 3s, Tuesday-Thursday

3 day 2s, Monday-Wednesday-Friday

2 day 2s, Tuesday-Thursday

Young 2s program will be determined in spring 2020 depending on space allocations.



Registration for Current BHPCNS Students:

Registration for the 2020-2021 school year will soon be underway.

- Applications will be available for current students at the BHPCNS website, <u>www.bhpcns.org</u> under the Application/Registration tab after the Thanksgiving break.
- Download an application, or collect one in the office, complete the information, and return the form on either December 12 or December 13. Returning students must have their applications turned in no later than Friday, December 13 to guarantee placement.
- Remember to indicate a first and second choice. While we guarantee placement for students currently enrolled in our 2 and 3-year-old programs and for students enrolled in the 4s who do not meet the age eligibility for public school kindergarten, we cannot guarantee your first choice.
- Acceptance is based on a first-come, first-served basis. The earlier you submit your application, the greater your chances of being accepted into your first choice program.
- Applications received before December 12 will be placed after those received on December 13.

Registration for Siblings Not Currently Enrolled in BHPCNS:

October and November are the months to submit applications for siblings of currently enrolled students who will attend BHPCNS for the first time beginning with the 2020-2021 school year. Applications are available in the office and online for your children who will be starting BHPCNS in September 2020. Registration for currently enrolled students will begin in December. Acceptance or Wait List notifications will be sent home in January.

New Applicants to BHPCNS:

Encourage your friends and neighbors to call the office to learn more and schedule a tour of BHCPNS. New families say they chose Bradley Hills because their friend, neighbor, co-worker spoke highly of our program. We love that you love us! Help us spread the word about what a wonderful place BHCPNS is for children to play, grow, and learn! Applications are available online for new students or in the office.

BHPCNS follows Montgomery County Public Schools with regard to birthdate cut-off dates for admission. Children must be 2 by September 1, 2020 to enroll in the 2's, 3 by September 1, 2020, to enroll in the 3's, and 4 by September 1, 2020 to enroll in the 4's. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Play,

Grow,



Learn With Bradley Bear

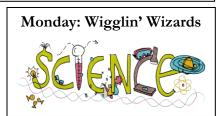
MONTHLY SPECIAL CLASSES AND GUEST PERFORMERS:

Monday: The Artist Corner



Artist McCullough Shares: The fall has such pretty colors and textures. For our first 2 November classes we will be making leaf print people. With a dance party theme to set them in motion. The second half of the month the students will turn into weavers and will craft Thanksgiving placements. Enjoy your family at Thanksgiving.

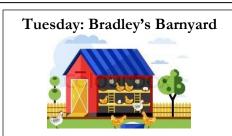
Scientist Michael Reports: Can raisins dance? How do they make lava lamps? How much water could a cloud hold before it rains? Is milk magic? We will put on our thinking caps and find out the answers to all these questions. During November, our budding scientists will explore the world of liquids. We will look at mixing milk with soap, water with vinegar, oil with water, and food coloring with shaving cream.

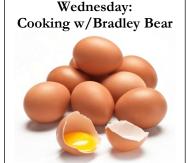


Tuesday & Wednesday: Dance Company

Lead Dancer Miss Colleen Shares: Bradley Bears Dancers are already thinking about snow! They have begun their choreography for their Winter Show and have made friendly snowmen for the set. Chase, bourre, passe, and grande jete' are some of our favorites as we work on sequencing and asymmetrical vs. symmetrical shapes and movements.

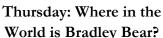
Farmer Skoff Shares: This month, Bradley's farmers will learn about corn and its uses on the farm. We will learn all the parts of the corn and the stalk and how it's grown. We will see the various forms that corn turns into and its uses for feeding the animals. We'll even try to grind down some kernels into powder. We'll continue maintaining the care of Corny and Marshmallow and make scrambled eggs with their eggs. The latter part of the month we'll learn all about cows and their importance and make homemade ice cream.

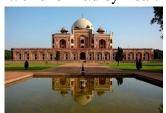




Chef McCauley Reports Our chefs were totally engaged with all that they made this past month. They are all so proud when they make what they eat (even if they don't eat it) and that's precisely one of the reasons why it's so important to teach children to cook. Simply put, children who cook say "I can," not "I can't." This self-confidence creeps into all areas of their lives, not just the kitchen. In October we made one recipe using eggs, this month we'll be putting Corny and Marshmellow's egg laying abilities to the test as we make spinach omelets, pancakes and waffles. We'll end the month with hearty banana-oatmeal. In addition to becoming expert egg-crackers, we'll have plenty of practice measuring, mixing, mashing, and pouring. Bon appetit!

World Traveler Mrs. Biggs Explains: Our world travelers had so much fun learning about the United States of America. They tried apple pie, learned about bald eagles, and even played baseball. Now, it's time to stamp our passports and travel to our next destination – India – home of the Taj Mahal and Bollywood! We will learn about Indian traditions, taking day trips to Mumbai and the Ganges, dancing to the everpresent lilts from the sitar, tasting new foods like "gulab jamun" (Indian donuts – yum!) We will even try our hands at making a Bollywood video. Watch out New Delhi, here we come!





Friday: Yogi Bears



Yogi Leon Chants: Yoga is a wonderful practice that helps children develop self-confidence and reduce anxiety. Our yogi bears have been working hard practicing yoga poses and mindfulness. After our poses, the children practice quietly resting to calm their bodies and minds. Every week, the yoga poses focus on a theme--in November, we will celebrate friendship and Thanksgiving, and move like pirates Namaste.

MONTHLY SPECIAL CLASSES AND GUEST PERFORMERS:

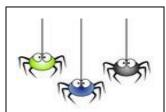
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LOW

Little Hands Music 2s, 3s, & 4s

Ms. Beth Sings: The musical focus in Little Hands classes in November will be 'high and low sounds" with a secondary note of numbers and counting! Varying our voices for speaking, and becoming aware of pitch levels in music is great preparatory musical skill! We'll act out the "Seed Poem" (I plant a little seed in the dark, dark ground. Up comes the yellow sun, big and round. Dooooown comes the rain, soft and slow. Uuuuuuup grows the plant. Grow plant, grow!") We'll be singing about Two Little Apples, as well as Two Little Blackbirds (...sitting on a bow, one named "High" and one named "Low"!) Counting to 2, 3, 4, and more is an essential early childhood skill, as well as a musical skill, and we'll have lots of opportunities for counting in the 1-2-3-4 Mary's at the Kitchen Door poem! For more counting fun, we'll make different kinds of potatoes in our "One Potato Variations." So many blessings to count as well - Happy Thanksgiving to you all from the Little Hands Music team, Ms. Kaley, Ms. Caitlin and Ms. Beth!

Scientist Delfin shares: November Science is all about spiders! We will learn several interesting spider facts and find out how the 3's and 4's classes really feel about spiders. We will become very busy spiders and build a cooperative spider web, we'll discover how bugs gets stuck on spider webs and even wrap our own insects in webs to experience how spiders eat. We will embark on a spider hunt outside and hope to find some real spiders, but if not, we will surely come across hidden spider rings to take home.



Science 3s & 4s



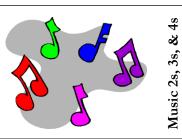
Mrs. Stevens Reports: This month in creative movement, the children will trot, gobble, wobble, and shake their tail feathers to "The Turkey Dance". They will, also, "swim", "take a shower", "ride bicycles", and "brush their teeth" to The Goldfish Song by The Laurie Berliner Band. Finally, the children will show off their silliest dance moves to Jim Gill's song Silly Dance Contest.

Running, jumping, skipping, bouncing, galloping, and hopping are all very important to a child's development. These activities help children to develop their coordination, balance, concentration, and cognitive abilities! So get out and move!

Sra. Cardoni shares: We say *Adios* to October and our beloved *Monstruos* song!! In November we'll continue to build our vocabulary. We'll learn the names of family members (mother-madre, father-padre, siblings-hermanos, grandparents-abuelos). We'll be learning names of foods we might see at the Thanksgiving table. We'll also be learning a Thanksgiving song where we'll learn to show our gratitude for all we have. The four's classes will be learning *El día de Acción de Gracias* a song from Music with Sara. In the three's classes we will be singing a song about turkey-pavo to the tune of Frere Jacques. The words of all our songs will be coming home this month, look for them in your child's tote bag. Happy Thanksgiving-Feliz Día de Acción de Gracias!



Spanish 3s and 4s



Ms. Casey Reports:

Fall is here; hear the yell! Cooler weather and thankful sentiments will punctuate the children's set list this month. The children are being reacquainted with old standards and some new songs. For many of the two's and three's this is the first they will hear of Yellow Submarine and She'll Be Comin' Round the Mountain! Thanksgiving and the bounty it brings looms large at Bradley Hills. It certainly gives us something to sing about!