



Mrs. Hodgson's Class Newsletter

Classroom Learning and News

Happy November Families!

October was action packed, full of learning, and loads of fun! We spent time studying pumpkins, bats and spiders. Hopefully your child came home full of facts and information about those topics.

We read many fiction and nonfiction books which were engaging for the children. They created different types of pumpkins, bats and spiders using all different mediums of art helping to build fine motor skills and imagination. We are currently creating spider webs and spiders which we will hang as decoration in the classroom. Our Sad Monster Glad Monsters and our bulletin board pumpkins will go home soon (students have been asking!) It's a tough balance between decorating the classroom and allowing students to bring their artwork home immediately. They are so enthusiastic and want to share it with you!

We've also been working hard writing, learning letters, numbers, phonograms, and counting. Students continue to practice starting at the top and writing down the letter or number. We've even begun learning strategies for sounding out words (like bat and spider). Students have gone on a letter hunt around the classroom, and we've particularly been working on distinguishing between a lower case b and a lower case d. A very difficult skill!

On Tuesday the 26th of November we will have a Thanksgiving breakfast feast with Mrs. Breese's class and all of ATB. Families are invited and we will send home details about what to bring in the next two weeks. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. Your children are wonderful people who continue to amaze me with their enthusiasm and curiosity each day!

Warm Regards, Mrs. Hodgson

Reminders

11/11: Veteran's Day
Holiday (No School)

11/27: ATB Morning Feast –
Families Welcome! Details
coming soon.

11/27-29: Thanksgiving
Break (No School)

Things to Note:

Please say congratulations to Jace and his family if you see them. Jace is a now big brother to baby Jane!

Colder weather season is upon us. Please send your child with a jacket if it is chilly in the morning. Encourage your child to be independent; help them learn how to take their jackets on and off and zip them by themselves. It not only saves lots of classroom time, but also builds children's self confidence.

Upcoming Learning

Nursery Rhymes Peter Peter

Letters g, o, s, qu, th

Colors Yellow, brown, color mixing

Shapes Triangle, Square, Circle, rectangle

Numbers Counting to 30, Writing 1-10
One to one counting objects, Ten Frames

Celebrating November B-Days

Eshan – 17th



Questions to Spark Conversation About School With Your Child:

1. What did you learn about bats? (Vocabulary: nocturnal, echolocation, mammals)
2. Tell me about the story of Stellaluna?
3. Can you teach me a song you learned about pumpkins, bats, or spiders?
4. What are you learning about spiders? (Vocabulary: fangs, web, silk, eyes) How do they trap bugs? How many eyes/legs do they have?
5. Who did you play with at recess today? Who is in your center group now?
6. Tell me about Superhero day. What did you do in each classroom? On the playground?