



Montessori Children's House of Hayward

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NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

"Children are human beings to whom respect is due, superior to us by reason of their innocence and of the greater possibilities of their future." – Maria Montessori

Dear Families,

HAPPY THANKSGIVING: TIME TO REUNITE WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

November Social Facts: Personal space and sharing!

We would like to thank everyone for taking the time to meet with your child's class teachers for parent/teacher conferences. It was nice to get to know you, your family and to share about your child.

October was fire prevention month. We enjoyed our visit from the Hayward fire department fire fighters on October 3rd. They talked to the children about fire safety—"get out & stay out", cover, drop and roll, then demonstrated how fire personnel look in and out of their fire proof gear. The children were then invited to touch the fireman in full uniform.

We hope your children enjoyed their fall lessons, pumpkin themed activities, pumpkin patch and Halloween parade last month. Seeing our students enjoy their Halloween costumes and fall attire is one of the highlights of the year for us. Thank you for allowing us to be part of these special occasions!

This month we are focusing on gratitude and connecting with others. Though we cannot hold our normal Thanksgiving party this year we have many special activities planned for our students. As part of our focus on gratitude and connecting with others, each of our classrooms will be celebrating Thanksgiving with a craft, students are making their own place-mats and other Thanksgiving themed artwork to bring home to share with family members.

THEMES THIS MONTH

Geography: North America / Biomes

We will continue our studies on North America with a greater focus on the United States. We will also learn about the flags, biomes, animals, native Americans, pilgrims and plants that make up our beautiful continent.

History: Veterans day / Native Americans

Science: Nutrition / Food pyramid chart / will continue seed / corn

Zoology: Amphibian - Frog / life cycle

TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL TIME CHANGE

The annual time changes can wreak havoc on families and classrooms every year. Here are a few tips to help your child with the adjustment.

1. Think ahead and start adjusting your child's bedtime and wake up times leading up to the time changes. In the Fall start moving bedtime later using 15-minute increments. In the Spring start moving bedtime earlier using the same time frames. Don't expect your child to adjust quickly.
2. The changes in sunlight can affect sleep patterns as well. In the fall try to avoid having your child fall asleep too early. Try to get some light in the evenings and make sure it is not too bright in your child's room in the AM.
3. It is best to stick with your bedtime routines during these transitions. Children may be tired and feel unsettled. Be patient and remember this is only temporary.

CLOTHING

As we are into the colder days, please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing to go outside.

TUITION REMINDER

Tuition is due on the first day of each month and is late after the fifth. If the first or the fifth is on a weekend, please make sure that you pay on Friday. If tuition is received after the fifth, a \$25.00 late fee will be added to your tuition. Thank you for your consideration!

ONLINE REVIEWS

In today's connected world, many families turn to online reviews to learn more about the reputation of schools. Just a reminder that you can find our school on Facebook, Google, Yelp and other online directories. We'd love more families like yours, so please consider spreading the word about our school.

Lastly, we would like to share how grateful we are to be a part of MCHOH. We are even more grateful for all of the wonderful kids and families we get to work with. Thank you again for all the support the family gave as well.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- 11/05 Daylight Saving Time Ends - Fall Back
- 11/08 Dentist Visit
- 11/10 Veterans Day - No School
- 11/23-11/24 Thanksgiving Break - No School

