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Grandma's House
CHILD CARE CENTER

Growing Highlights

NOVEMBER 2026



Hello Families,
October was a busy month! We had pumpkin farm field trips, classroom costume parties, and conferences. We also had 2 weddings! Please help me congratulate Ms. Aliyah and (her new husband) Manuel as well as Ms. Becca and (her new husband) Manfred. We surprised the brides-to-be with a special luncheon.

November is recognized annually as National Gratitude month. This is a time

dedicated to focus on appreciation, positivity, and mental and physical well-being. There are lots of ways to practice gratitude all month long! For example, you could jot down what you are thankful for each day of the month. You could send someone a text or a note to tell them how much you appreciate them or you could volunteer or donate to a good cause. Every month our teachers nominate one of their own for Teacher of the Month. I would like to ask our families to add to this by leaving a short note, email, or send me a message in the app about a teacher that did something special or made your day a little easier, and I will share these notes at our next staff meeting. I am also collecting donations again this year for The Milwaukee Diaper Mission. We will be taking cloth and disposable diapers, and period products. Please click the link for more information about this organization.

Thanks,
Claire Cramton, Director
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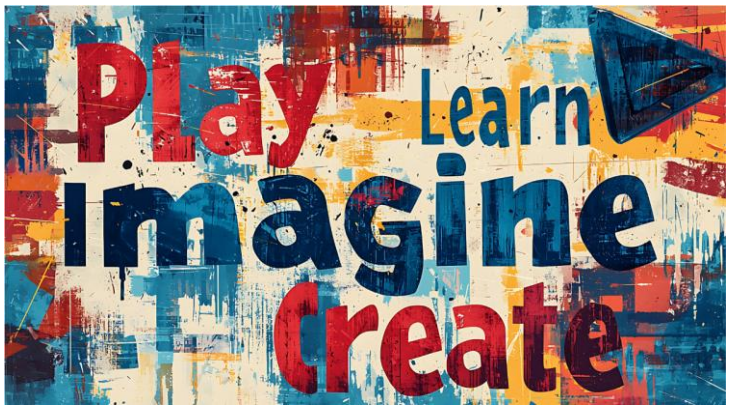


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4	Miles K.
7	Ari D.
7	December D.
8	Joseph B.
9	Nolan M.
9	Ms. Judeen
11	Margot T.
11	Clarke M.
12	Anna B.
12	Theo R.
12	Mackenzie M.
14	Ms. Andrea
17	Cameron L.
19	Auggie H.
21	Teddy F.
26	Ms. Niya
27	Ava B.
28	Ms. Celeste
30	Oscar B.



On celebrating anniversaries with Grandma's House

Mr. Scott	34 Years
Ms. Kourtney	3 Years



Young Infants

Welcome to November, IT'S COZY SEASON! We are looking forward to welcoming all the beautiful colors and cozy fun of Fall into our classroom. Even our youngest learners are beginning to discover the world around them through their senses, movement, and interactions with us. Last month we learned all about who we are and who we can become. This month we will continue to explore sights, sounds, textures, and colors of the season through fun age-appropriate sensory activities, music, stories, and creative experiences. We will learn about what Dia De Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) is and how beautiful it is. We will look at artwork by David Lozeaz. We will read books like "La Catrina" by Patty Rodriguez and Ariana Stein. They will also play with images of "Papel picado (perforated paper)". We will also learn about The Fall Harvest. We will read books "This Little Turkey" by Ali Fronis and Migy Blanco. We will work on tummy time to encourage pushing up on forearms. We will also have some fun counting the leaves that are falling off the trees. Just as a reminder as the weather is

Older Toddlers

Happy Fall! We have had so much fun exploring Fall activities. We observed the leaves changing colors, tossed the leaves in the air, crunched them, and even painted with them. For dramatic play, we pretended we were at a pumpkin patch as we dressed up in pumpkin costumes and filled buckets with apples and pumpkins. We had such a great time celebrating during our costume party. Thank you to everyone who participated! Looking ahead, we will have units focusing on different emotions and on friendship and gratitude as we get closer to Thanksgiving. If you are ever curious about what we are learning about, just take a peek at our lesson plans posted in the classroom. As the temperatures cool, please make sure to switch out your child's cubby clothing with more season appropriate clothing. Consider rounding up snow pants, boots, hat and mittens early as we will experiencing snow before you know it.

Ms. Jackie and Ms. Dawn

getting cooler, we still try to take the babies out on walks before it gets too cold to do so, so please check cubbies for weather appropriate clothing. We are looking forward to continuing to get to know both current and new friends/families. We're excited to share all their sweet moments, smiles, and discoveries that our little pumpkins make throughout this spooky and special month. Both Mr. Justin and I are here if you have any questions via the app or in person at drop off/pick up.
Mr. Justin and Ms. Netzy

Infants

Fall leaves and breezes fill the air. Cooler weather means out with sun hats and in with coats. Parents, please check your child's cubby to accommodate chillier weather as we will continue to explore and take walks outside. We have been learning about Fall seasoned things in our "spooky" themed lesson plan such as exploring different cultures, looking at Dia De Los Muertos and Mexican holiday photos. We have also been looking at all things about babies and the things they learn and love. We have been learning through nursery rhymes, reading books like "Ten Little Fingers" and “Ten Little Toes" and looking at family photos and talking about each family member and how they were the baby. We love to teach our little ones through love and fun and if you're ever interested in what your child is learning every day, feel free to stop

Almost 2's

Happy Fall! With autumn finally here, please make sure all summer items have made their way home and bring in labeled coats, hats, and mittens. Our friends enjoyed tasting the various applesauce flavors with strawberry being the favorite. We also like feeling the leaves and pinecones in our sensory table. We will continue to play with leaves and rakes – maybe you will have an extra set of hands to help at home. Also, we will have a unit on Space which will include a new flannel story the children adore doing! Stay cozy with those amazing toddler snuggles.
Ms. Cassie and Ms. Natalia

2's

Happy November! We are so thankful for you all. Last month we enjoyed learning all about bears and Halloween. We worked our fine motor skills and glued food together to feed our big bear. We learned that bears eat some of the same things as us. We had a great time at the pumpkin patch; the hayride was a highlight. We then learned about pumpkins hands-on as we gutted one and explored the insides as a sensory/science experience. Our favorites were dressing up, our pancake party, and trick or treating through each classroom. After such a fun October, we are ready to learn about Thanksgiving and more. Remember to check cubbies frequently. We hope you have a great and

by the parent board or ask us!
Ms. Judeen and Ms. Sam

Older Infants

November is here. As the weather gets cooler and continues to change, we are excited to welcome a new month filled with sensory exploration, creative activities, and opportunities for learning and growth. October was full of wonderful discoveries like learning colors through our Apple unit, lots of sensory play with applesauce, painting with various materials and textures, as well as songs and books. We will continue to work with textures like pumpkin puree, food colored spaghetti noodles, pinecones, and different fabrics to play through our senses. We will also experience colors with glow sticks in a bottle, books, patterns, and art. We are excited to explore more Fall activities as well as some identity development through initiating and imitating actions. And as the temperature drops, please check your child's cubby to make sure there are warm weather appropriate clothing available.
Ms. Drea and Ms. Pakou

Young Toddlers

This past month we've focused on the Fall season. From leaves to pumpkins, to deconstructed apple pie, we've explored it all! In our "Pumpkins" lesson plan, we painted mini pumpkins, threw leaves in the

healthy month!
Ms. Aliyah and Ms. Kourtney

2-1/2's

Hello families! We have had a great start to Fall! We took a field trip to a pumpkin patch and rode the famous "bumpy" bus. Our lesson plans in October were filled with Fall fun from making and playing with pumpkin pie playdoh to painting with leaves that we collected from our playground. We enjoy playing in our sensory table which has "save the bugs from the spider web," and dump/fill pumpkins. We also love flannel story time. Our current favorite book is *Llama Llama Mad at Mama* and our favorite flannel is *Cookie Monster Number Hide-n-Seek*. For November, we will learn about harvest foods and gratitude with activities like making our own butter and a gratitude graph. We are excited to see what the rest of the year will bring.
Ms. Brittannie and Ms. Becca

Young 3's

Fall is in full swing so the days are getting shorter and colder. Please make sure your child's cubby is updated with weather appropriate clothing including outdoor gear. This past month, we did some spooky Halloween activities including wrapping mummies with yarn, transferring green "potion" from a cup to a cauldron, coloring our own mummies, and putting

air to watch them fall, and visually explored pumpkin dot art paintings. Our second lesson plan featured “Pumpkins, bats and cats.” We recognized our feelings with pumpkin themed emotion cards, used our senses to experience a pumpkin sensory bin, and viewed pumpkin and bat themed flannel pieces. Even with the impending cold weather, our classroom will still try to get outside daily, so please make sure that your child has a coat, hat and mittens available in their cubby. Have a wonderful November and if you ever have questions, please reach out through the app or in person!
Ms. Diana and Ms. Liz

Toddlers

Happy Fall everyone! Last month we learned about all things Fall. We learned about pumpkins and apples by looking at pictures, reading books, and singing songs. We also taste tested apples – Yum! We learned about the children’s author, Todd Parr who uses bright colors and simple shapes in his illustrations and his books encourage emotional development, inclusion and celebrate multiculturalism. We had a Mac & Cheese party in honor of Mr. Parr’s favorite food. We ate Mac & Cheese, read the book The Monster Mac & Cheese Party and played with different Mac & Cheese themed toys. This was a sensory activity as some of the toys crinkled, squeaked, were sticky to the touch and stretched. Lastly, as a friendly reminder, tape and googly eyes on them, and exploring a spooky spikey ball and spider sensory table along with a melting monster sensory activity. We took a field trip to the pumpkin patch, and the children loved the hayride around the corn maze and feeding corn to the cows. Thank you to the families that participated in conferences. If you were unable to sign up and have specific questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.
Ms. Jenn and Ms. Melissa

3's

We love watching the seasons change and getting a little spooky! Thanks for helping us enjoy our costume party, chaperoning field trips to the pumpkin farm and Go Dog Go and all things Fall. Our next unit we are joining forces with Ms. Alyssa’s class and having Dr. Seuss Spirit Week. Keep an eye out for daily pictures of all the fun. A reminder to all, we go outside twice daily as long as the temperature is 0 and above. Please be sure your child’s cubby is packed with weather appropriate gear. In the 3’s, we really focus on self-help skills. Take a few minutes and allow your child to put on their own shoes and coat. In no time, it will be time for snow pants, and we will be learning how to completely dress ourselves in snow gear. Thanks for your support!
Ms. Abbie and Cyrus

please make sure your child has appropriate attire for playing outside as we go outside twice daily.
Ms. Theresa and Ms. Christie

4's and School-Age

October waws such a fun month! Thank you to everyone for participating in our Halloween party, engaging in conferences, and participating in Dr. Seuss week. We talked about hygiene and explored fun experiments. We had a lot of sensory fun and explored a lot of art materials. This month, we will be talking about family, ourselves-image/identity, and what we are thankful for. We will explore those themes through continuation in our journals, and more art projects! As the weather changes, please make sure the clothing in your child's cubby does as well. We go outside twice a day as long as it is above zero degrees. As always if you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to reach out. Leave me a message, a note or I am always here to chat. Stay safe and healthy!
Ms. Alyssa


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TOSA - Harwood Ave Crossing - 4:15 - 4:45 pm
HARTLAND - Cottonwood Ave Crossing - 5:45 - 6:15 pm


THUR, 12/24 & FRI, 12/25
Grandma's House will be
CLOSED
Happy Holidays