

The Child Care Center in Norwich



November 2019

Clothing Donations Needed

We are looking for some clothing donations to supplement our extra clothes bins. We are in particular need of pants and boys underwear. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

*The Child Care Center is
Closed on
Thursday, November 28th
and
Friday, November 29th
in celebration of
Thanksgiving*

THE HAVEN CHALLENGE

Nov 4th to Nov 27th

The Child Care Center recognizes that the holidays can be very difficult for Upper Valley families with limited resources and we would like to do what we can to help. This year we will be giving to the Upper Valley Haven in White River Junction and are asking Center families who wish to participate to bring in food or personal care item donations. There is a list below of food items that can be donated. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING IN FOOD THAT IS EXPIRED.**

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to talk to your child about helping others. Have your child bring in a can of soup or box of cereal and put it in one of the boxes either upstairs in the activity room or downstairs in the entrance-way vestibule. The Thanksgiving holiday is a special time for families and sharing can benefit everyone.

If you would like more info please see Karen in the Orange Room or Lisa in the office. Thanks for your generosity! Suggested items for the Food Shelf:

cereal	crackers	shampoo
pasta	canned vegetables	soap
spaghetti sauce	tuna fish	toothpaste
macaroni and cheese	fruit juice	toothbrushes
rice	canned fruit	soup
razors/shaving cream	baked beans	deodorant
peanut butter/jelly	laundry detergent	
toilet paper/diapers		

Last year we collected

268 pounds

for our annual donation drive for The Haven.

This year we want to exceed that amount and collect

300 pounds!

Classroom Updates

Nursery



The Nursery sends a big Nursery welcome to Maren and her family, who will be joining the group very soon. Thank you everyone who attended our pot luck, we had a lot of fun! There is lots of pretend play and dressing/undressing happening in the Nursery right now as well as pretend shopping, which coincides very nicely with our food drive for the Haven. Children have also been doing a variety of painting activities including finger painting and painting with chubby brushes. A few reminders – please label everything that comes in with your child. Also children need to have indoor shoes so that they are prepared when we have a fire drill, which we do monthly. Please dress children's feet at drop off. A big happy birthday to Weston, who turns one on November 12th. Check out the tips for turning two that is posted in the Nursery. Happy Thanksgiving.

Karla, Cindy & Stephanie



Orange Room

Just a reminder . . . Our potluck is coming right up, on Wednesday, November 6th, the Orange Roomers are planning on making apple crisp. We practiced cutting the apples this week by making applesauce. Everyone learned how to hold a (plastic) knife and cut the apples into chunks. The applesauce was delicious. We've recently been doing a lot of painting at the table with seasonal colors, red, yellow and orange with some blue and green mixed in. The "kitchen area", dinosaurs and blocks seem to dominate the morning. We will soon start feeding the birds again and look forward to seeing which birds return for the winter. The center is once again participating in a food drive for the Haven. This is an excellent opportunity to talk to your child about helping others in need. Two years ago we collected 173 lbs., last year we collected 268 lbs. This year our goals is 300 lbs. Let's see if we can exceed that! A big thank you to Owen's dad, Alex, who came and played the guitar and sang with us. The Orange Roomers really enjoyed it! As the weather gets colder, please make sure that your child has appropriate outdoor clothing. We try to go out every day. Hope to see you at the potluck.

Karen



Red Room

We would like to thank all our families who were able to join us for our potluck. It was a great time visiting with you all while enjoying such yummy food. We have had a great time outside, exploring the color changes on the trees, but most of all we have had a blast making big leaf piles to jump in. Inside the classroom we have enjoyed singing and dancing. Our two favorite songs are “The Dinosaur Song” and “The Fish Song”, which always turns into a big dance party. The Red Roomers have enjoyed singing the “ABC’s” song, “Old McDonald” and “Baa Baa Black sheep”. Just a reminder to please send in warmer clothes, the weather is changing!

Julie & Nici



Yellow Room

Happy fall. The Yellow Roomers have enjoyed many beautiful fall days. We love to be outside as much as possible. We stay busy on the playground with soccer balls, tag games (ask your child about the tail snatcher tag game) and practicing our balance on the balance beam. The mornings can be chilly, please make sure your child has warm clothes and gloves or mittens. We have started to decorate our classroom and fall has been the theme. The Yellow Room friends especially enjoyed making colorful spiders. Come and check them out, their web is in our window. We have also made “pumpkin people” and hope to bring in some real pumpkins to explore. Please don’t forget about our potluck on 11/13 at 5.30. The sign-up sheet is by our gate and we hope you can all make it. It will be a fun evening with good food and company.

Mia & Bryce

Blue Room



Hello Blue Room families. This month in the Blue Room, we have enjoyed learning about colors and how we can mix them, to make other colors. We've started doing more painting and have discovered that we can make turkeys by painting our hands! Lately, we have enjoyed playing with the Legos and learning how to make big structures. We've been all working together to make houses, skyscrapers, and barns, so the people and animals have places to stay warm! As the days start getting cooler, please remember to pack your child warm clothes, especially for outside. Soon there will be snow and sledding days! We look forward to seeing you at our fall potluck this Friday, at 5:30! Happy November! ~ Olivia & Liv



AfterSchool

K-1

We've loved this beautiful fall, enjoying lots of games that involve sprinting (and rules that I can't quite decipher). Now here comes winter! One of our bottlenecks in the season of hats and snow pants and mittens and... is the daily change from snow boots to indoor slippers or sneakers. Digging through backpacks really prolongs the cubby room transition (time that is nobody's favorite). *IF* you have a spare pair of indoor footwear that could be designated for after school and stay here, please send them in, thanks!

~ Mary

2-6

Now that the time has changed we are spending more time inside enjoying art and indoor activities! However do still go outside so everyone needs outdoor gear every day, it cools off quickly in the late afternoon.

~ Cassandra