

Preschool News

Tri-Town Early Childhood Program

Old Rochester Regional High School

November 2014

Greetings!

The early November snow created a flurry of excitement here in preschool! A clear signal to the children that the seasons are changing, it led to discussions of upcoming holiday traditions remembered from winters past. As we celebrated the color brown this month we found ourselves ankle deep in sweet smelling, crunchy leaves of that color in a corner of the courtyard. There they were raked and piled and encircled by happy children singing, "Ring Around the Leaf Pile" until they all fell IN! Oh, This month flew by happily!

News and Announcements

With a focus on nutrition we enjoyed songs and activities with Choosy, a character who teaches us about making healthy choices. We were introduced to the food groups and practiced sorting foods to those groups as we placed them on the labeled shelves of our classroom grocery store. We enjoyed making pumpkin muffins, pumpkin pudding and cranberry sauce, and some of us were even interested in eating the product of our efforts. Learning to say, "no thank you" was another embedded lesson as foods were offered for our sampling. Nathan's mom and dad presented a wonderful lesson on cranberries and bogs to the Tuesday class, and brought cranberries and cranberry treats for the entire class. All of the children enjoyed exploring properties of the cranberry and cutting them open to discover the four chambers holding seeds and air. Learning about the turkey, a bird possessing the unique characteristics of a snood and a wattle was another highlight of the month!



What's Ahead

We will introduce babies in the classroom.

Please send in your child's baby picture so that we can play a game of "Guess Who?"

We'll continue to appreciate seasonal changes and share family traditions.

FYI

School is closed from December 22nd through January 2nd.

We hope to gather friends and family for our morning meeting when we'll share **Cocoa & Carols** on Friday December 12th, 9:30-10:30 in the preschool classroom. Invitations are forthcoming.

Among the many things we are thankful for in preschool are our friends, our families, and our healthy bodies. May you all enjoy these most significant blessings as you celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday!



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