



# ESCC November News!

Dear Mom and Dad,

November is upon us! Thanksgiving will be here before we know it. Everyone will be busy doing Thanksgiving projects and learning about Native Americans and Pilgrims. Some of the classes will be making a Thanksgiving gift that requires clean baby food jars with covers. If anyone has some to donate, please drop them by the office.

Ms. Landra's class will be inviting their families to come to school for a special Thanksgiving presentation on Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Landra's presentation will be at 1:30 PM. Your invitation will be coming soon.

In the spirit of the holiday season, the four-year-old preschool classes will be organizing a food drive. This year we are collecting food for needy families and for animals at the animal shelter. The collection will run from November 16<sup>th</sup> – December 8<sup>th</sup>. The Preschool classes hope all children in the center will help out by bringing in one or more non-perishable food items or pet supplies. Some special requests are: condiments, hygiene supplies, cleaning supplies, paper products, and baking items (sugar, flour...) & canned meats (spam, tuna chicken, chili, hash etc...) The animal shelter's current need is for the following items: liquid laundry detergent, febreze, pine-sol, dryer sheets, nyla dog bones, old fleece blankets or throws, rugs with rubber backing and small-used pet carriers (no food, please). Ms. Mary Jo's class will deliver the food on a field trip to the St. John's food pantry. Ms. Kim's MWF class will take the pet supplies to the Hudson Animal Shelter.

## Happy November Birthdays



Mariah  
Mitchel  
Jack

Christopher  
Thomas  
Roger

Katherine



We will be celebrating November Birthdays on Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> & Thursday November 12<sup>th</sup>.  
Please talk to your child's teacher about celebrating in school.

November also means cold weather and the chance of snow. We like to get the children outside in the fresh air whenever possible, so please send them dressed for the weather. We have found it is a good idea for children to leave a pair of slippers at school to wear on those days when boots are necessary. It would also be a good idea to send in an extra pair of mittens and a hat in case they are needed. Please check to see that extra clothes sent in at the beginning of the school year are appropriate for the season.

**Reminders:**

- The center will be closed on Thursday & Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> for the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Please be sure to send in a crib sheet with your child's bedding (this is mandated by the state for sanitary reasons). Rest time will be more comfortable with a sheet on their little faces, opposed to a vinyl mat, as well as cutting down on the spread of germs during this up and coming cold season.
- The center provides juice and milk for your child's morning and afternoon snacks. We ask that you send in a drink with lunch. Thank you.

**Book notes from the ESCC library:**

A message from Ms. Mary in the ESCC Library: We, children and adults alike, lead busy, hectic lives. To make the most of those moments when we can share a book together, here are some tips to consider.

- Set aside a special time each day to read
- Share books when you and your child are in a relaxed mood.
- Take advantage of "waiting" times to share books, i.e. on trips, in doctor's office, etc...

**"ESCC Happenings"**

**Congratulations** to our Cow Pasture teacher, Ms. Erica and her daughters, Alexa in Apple Orchard and Julianna in Elmo's Farmstand who celebrated the birth of their family addition, Heath Jr.

Yet another **Hip, Hip, Hooray** to Ms. Erica for her successful achievement of becoming credentialed.

**Boxtops for Education Update** – A big **THANK YOU** to our ESCC families who brought in boxtops for our first fall submission. 2,250 boxtops were collected and sent. Hooray!! As holiday baking season quickly approaches, Ms. Mary, the boxtop lady, asks ESCC parents and families to check for additional boxtops on products packages and boxes. Please rip out/clip and deposit them into your child's classroom collection site. Moms and dads, be sure to let aunts, uncles, grandparents, and family friends know that we are collecting these boxtops as a fundraiser to purchase school playground toys. We need **YOUR** help!

Thank you to everyone for your contribution to our Halloween/Fall Celebrations.

All of us at ESCC wish you a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Joan & Kathy