

Miss Kelly's

NEWS

Hello Everybody!

November 2009

Directress' Message

Dear Parents,

October was busy. The kids made diyas and halvah in honor of Diwali, the Hindu Festival Of Lights. They listened to the music of Ravi Shankar and Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan. They cleaned and baked a pumpkin and used it to make muffins. They also planted bulbs and learned some new songs.

We also had a chance to practice some flower arranging, thanks to Joanna who provided the flowers. The kids have been displaying them on the mantle in the classroom then taking them home. We also went to the park a few times (thanks Quimby!) and had lots of fun getting caught in the rain (or was that last month? Regardless, it was fun!).

At Miss Kelly's we built a new front deck, a project headed by and organized by Dave McLeod, Callum's Dad (Thanks Dave! And thanks Max and Ben and Tom for helping!). There was also a brunch held at Dave's, and many of you came and it was lots of fun. (Thanks again Dave! And Alice and Callum!).

November is Irish culture month! We'll be listening to a lot of traditional Irish folk music and having all kinds of other fun.

Please take the time to read the following announcements. There are several key mentions, not least of which is another Montessori workshop, which makes for another reason for us all to get together again. Anyone who wants to bring goodies is encouraged!

Sincerely,

Miss Kelly (Kelly Symons)

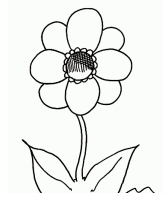
NOVEMBER REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Birthdays in October. Frida Symons-Swann will be 2 years old on Nov 14!
- Montessori Workshop. Another workshop for parents will be held on **November 21st** - details to follow. Our last workshop was great fun. We would like to welcome you all to another. Please let us know as soon as you can if you know you will be there. We would like to invite some of the parents on our waiting list if there's room.
- Coming and Going. Marcus's last day, sadly for us, will be November 25th. He's moving to New Haven, Connecticut. HAVE FUN MARCUS! (And good luck, Emily, in your new job. Sounds like fun!)
- Holidays. Please keep in mind, Miss Kelly's will be closed from December 21st to January 1st. December fees will be adjusted.
- Clothing. As always, please make sure we have hat, scarf and mittens, and weather-appropriate outer wear - kids who don't have warm enough clothing will not be permitted to go outside, for safety reasons. Please also have slippers and socks for your children - floors are cold here in the winter, even when heat is on
- Lost and Found. things left behind to be collected by their rightful owners: white plates, plastic juice jug, dark blue socks, straw, long-sleeved light-blue kid's t-shirt, jeans and socks, a brown zip up sweater, a navy zip-up sweater, and a reusable grocery bag
- Toys. When possible it is best that children keep their treasured toys at home.
- Food Bank. We are still accepting canned and dry goods for food bank donations. We hope to bring the children to give the food to the food bank. All donations welcome and appreciated.
- Daycare Donations. In general we welcome any donations that might assist in the daycare process. Items we are in need of include flowers for flower arranging exercises, occupational items for our occupation drama kits (e.g doctor, veterinarian, dentist, mail carrier,), posters/prints/ old calendars of fine art, simple wall hanging frames. Many thanks in advance!
- Colds happen. But if your child has a high fever, or is definitely unwell, please consider keeping her home for a day. If you have any doubts about coming in, don't hesitate to call and check with Miss Kelly first.
- Announcements. If you have anything you wish to announce in our newsletter let us know. We can also send out notices to all parents, so any announcements at any time can be forwarded to Miss Kelly for review.

Popular Books in October

Pete's a Pizza by William Steig

My World of Color by Margaret Wise Brown



Two songs to share

<p>Five Little Monkeys (a fingerplay)</p> <p>Five little monkeys jumping on the bed One fell off and bumped his head Momma called the doctor, and the doctor said No more monkeys jumping on the bed!</p> <p>Four little monkeys jumping on the bed... <i>Continue from 3 to 1 monkeys</i></p> <p>One little monkey jumping on the bed It fell off and bumped his head Momma called the doctor, and the doctor said Put that monkey back to bed!</p>	<p>Hickory Dickory Dock</p> <p>Hickory Dickory Dock, The mouse ran up the clock. The clock struck one, The mouse ran down! Hickory Dickory Dock.</p>
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