

Little Learners Links

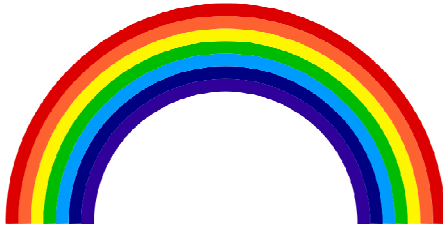
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The Rainbow Room



We have been doing some very exciting activities in the Rainbow Room this past month. We have focused on creative expression and messy sensory activities.

In the rainbow room we like to cook, create and of course get messy! At the beginning of October we played in the sensory table with soapy water and paint brushes. We love to have car washes, safari animal washes and more. We even made a friendship mix and shared in a picnic with our friends. During the second part of October, each one of us had a part in creating a piece of what has become the newest addition to the Rainbow Room...

The Halloween House. It was a simple dishwasher box, but we turned it into a reading nook where we can relax on a beanbag chair and read a nice book. We also played in shaving cream. We came up with descriptive words of how the shaving cream felt in our hands. Some friends said it felt squishy and soft while other friends thought it felt ooey and gooey! We even drew pictures in it along with letters and shapes. On Halloween we made jack-o-lantern sensory bags by squirting shaving cream in a zip-lock bag and dropping two drops of red food color and two drops of yellow food color. The bag was sealed and then we got to squish it with our hands! Did you know red & yellow mixed together makes green?!? Our friends then drew their very own jack-o-lantern faces on the sensory bag! I look forward to continuing our sensory sensations in November!

Mrs. Tracy

2011 Planned Activities

Month	Activity	Date
November	<i>Magic Show For Hearts, Greens & Blues</i>	Monday, November 14 th
November	<i>Book Orders Due</i>	Tuesday, November 15 th
November	<i>JOCO Library Visit</i>	November 17 th
December	<i>Santa Visits Little Learners</i>	Monday, December 19 th Rectangles, MWF Triangles, Squares, MWF Circles, Hearts, MWF Stars
December	<i>Santa Visits Little Learners</i>	Thursday, December 22 nd Triangles, TR Rectangles, Circles, TR Squares, Stars & TR Hearts
December	<i>Little Learners Closed for Christmas and New Year's</i>	Monday, December 26 - Friday, December 30 Re-Open Monday, January 2nd

Little Learners' Reminders

- Please check the supply of extra clothes for your child here at Little Learners to make sure they are warm enough for winter. We ask that you provide two complete changes of clothes which should include socks, underwear, shirt and pants. An extra pair of shoes or slippers may be a good idea to leave at school too!
- We will still be going outside for recess as weather permits. Please be sure you provide a heavy coat, hat and mittens for your child each day. You can even leave a hat & pair of mittens in your child's cubby.



DID YOU KNOW...

Did you know... Two-year-olds enjoy using their senses and motor skills to explore the world. They are highly curious about unfamiliar objects, events and phenomena. They can solve simple problems with the "trial and error" method and will practice an activity many times in order to master it. Children this age also pretend more during play, using familiar objects and situations to process their daily experiences.

Mrs. Tracy, Director's Assistant



Santa will be visiting our school on Monday, December 19th and Thursday, December 22nd. On Monday, December 16th Rectangles, MWF Triangles, Squares, MWF Circles, Hearts and MWF Stars will visit with Santa. On Thursday, December 22nd Triangles, TR Rectangles, Circles, TR Squares, Stars and TR Hearts will visit with Santa. This year we will be doing something a little different. We will not be asking parents to provide a gift for Santa to give to the children, instead each class will get a special gift provided by Little Learners and our Santa this year will be bringing gifts for each child to open and take home.



Please keep a look out for our Toys for Tots donation box. If you would like to, you can drop a brand new, unwrapped toy off in the donation box. The toys will be donated to families and children in need of some extra help from "Santa" this Christmas. You can visit www.toysfortots.org for more information! Thanks for your consideration!



FUN FOR FAMILIES!

Activities that bring families together!

This is something cute to accentuate your Thanksgiving table!!!

Glowbird



Total Time Needed:

2-3 Hours

Create a flock of these bright votive holders: they're a great project for kids and, filled with battery-operated tea lights, a luminous addition to your table.

Be sure to check out more ideas for a fun-filled [Kids' Thanksgiving](#).

Materials

- Hot glue
- Glue gun
- 1 1/4-inch wooden doll head (available at craft stores)
- Small glass bubble votive holder (ours is 4 inches wide by 3 1/2 inches high)
- Brush
- Mod Podge
- Tissue paper
- Scissors
- Tacky glue
- Beads

Instructions

1. Apply a dab of hot glue from a glue gun to the wooden doll head. Then adhere the head to the votive holder.
2. Brush Mod Podge over the head and body, then cover them with overlapping tissue paper scraps. Apply another Mod Podge layer and let it dry for at least 45 minutes.



3. To make the tail feathers, cut 9- by 2-inch strips of tissue paper, bend each in half without creasing it, then twist the ends together. Use a dollop of tacky glue to attach each feather to the body.



4. Cut a beak from a double layer of yellow tissue and affix it with tacky glue. Add two beads for eyes. Cut a long oval of red tissue, twist one end, and affix it as a wattle. Allow the turkey to dry.