

A Fly on the Wall...

The 2s with Mrs. Wyatt & Mrs. Zuidema

November was another fabulous month for the Twos! We talked about fall, Thanksgiving, squares, and the color brown. We made acorns, leaves and turkeys and sang songs about turkeys. We hope you enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving, and we are looking forward to seeing everyone back in the classroom in December. Our new themes will be Christmas, triangles and the color green.

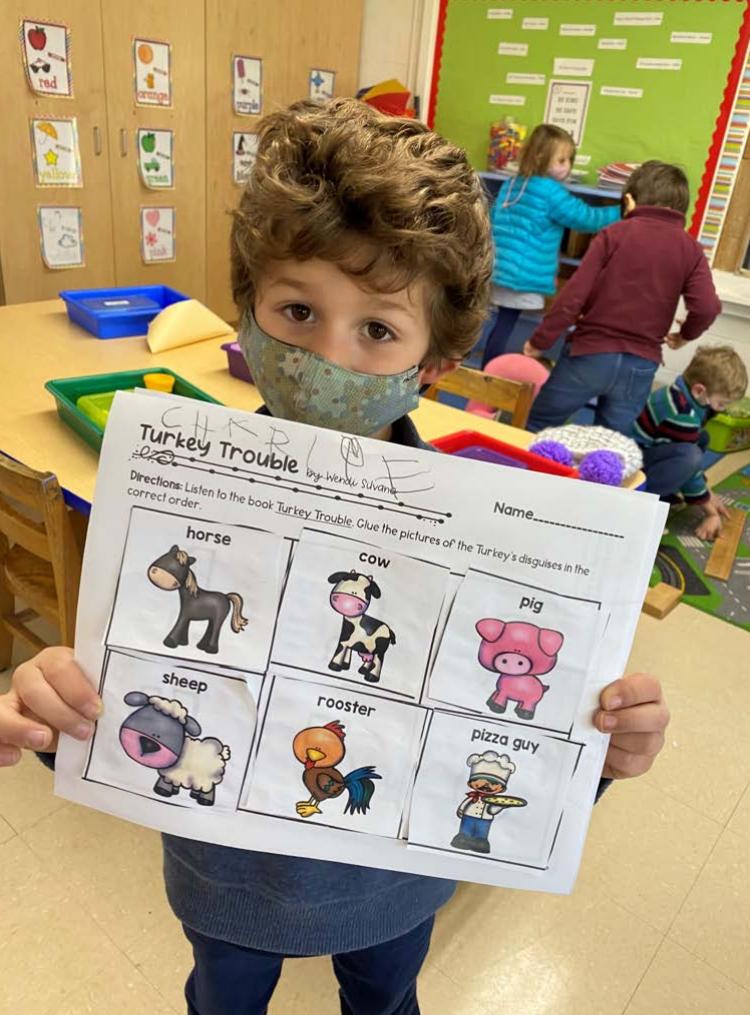


Library & Literacy with Mrs. Cummings

It has been wonderful getting to know all of your children. This month I have been reading a wide variety of diverse literature. The children are learning the beauty of being themselves and how important it is to respect and appreciate one another's differences. We have also been discussing parts of a book and locating the title, author, and illustrator. This will be an on going lesson throughout the year. Try it at home and see if they remember!

Kindergarten with Mrs. Smith & Mrs. Vandenberg

We hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving and got to spend lots of quality time together as a family. During the next several weeks we will be exploring the traditions of Christmas through ornament making and stories. This will be a lot of fun for everyone! In language arts we have learned the entire alphabet and their sounds. We will be reviewing all of the letters and sounds, how to write the letters, and will continue to sound out words. In math, we will be learning about the "naughty numbers", the "tricky teens", and will continue to practice writing the numbers. Please enjoy this precious holiday time with your child and thank you for your continued support!





Lunch Bunch with Miss Ball, Mrs. Schroeder & Mrs. Wyatt

Lunch Bunch had a lovely November. We had fun in all kinds of weather, from sunny days to rainy ones, we played outside and enjoyed our fabulous playground. Thank you for sending in many layers and extra clothing for your children. On those rainy days having yet another change of clothing to switch into following our afternoon playtime outside was much appreciated by the Lunch Bunchers! We are looking forward to December and having many holiday themed activities and projects. We plan on continuing to spend as much of our afternoon outside as possible and do as many games and activities outside as the weather will allow. We hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving with your family. See you in December!



The 3s with Mrs. Blair, Miss Ball, Mrs. Hobson & Mrs. Schroeder

The 3's have so much to be thankful for this month! One thing we were grateful for was the visit from the farmer's ducklings. They were a fuzzy bundle of cuteness that piqued the student's interest and curiosity. We enjoyed their stay at Redeemer.

In November, the students explored the color yellow and the square shape with crafts, games and movement. Yellow was in abundance as we searched for it in the freshly fallen leaves and in our classrooms. We also enjoyed reciting and reenacting Hickory, Dickory, Dock as our nursery rhyme this month.

Thanksgiving is a time to reflect and give thanks. The students were all asked to name something they were thankful for this year. As you can imagine, there was a wide range of answers. Students were grateful for everything from their families, school and friends to Santa and ice cream. The 3's teachers are extremely grateful for your child and your continued support as we navigate through this school year. Thank You! We look forward to the upcoming month of December and all the joy it has to bring!

Enrichment with Mrs. Craig

The 3s classes spent their classes this month creating all the elements needed for their thankfulness mobiles. They painted sticks, dotted and painted paper, and beaded strings that all came together in a beautiful fall themed creation!

The Pre-K, Kindergarten, and Prefirst classes all enjoyed turkey themed projects. They drew and painted beautiful turkeys and created 3D feathered turkeys to use in our STEM challenge: build a turkey hideout or the tallest turkey tower. Kindergarten and Prefirst explored sound waves and vibrations by making gobbling turkey cups!



Pre-k with Mrs. Arrup, Mrs. Baker &

Mrs. Knott

We hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday! We are looking forward to getting back in the classrooms for a few fun-filled weeks before winter break. Your busy little elves will be jumping right into the letter J and K, preparing for our Christmas program and cutting, pasting, and creating fabulous crafts to help celebrate this exciting time of year! Please remember we are still heading outside as much as possible. Any practice the children can do zipping up coats and putting on hats and mittens will be a great help. We are so happy you have given us the gift of your children. They are what we are thankful for this year!



PE with Mrs. Craig

The students had fun celebrating Thanksgiving with fun and games. We had a Thanksgiving relay where they gathered all the items they would need for their Thanksgiving table - bowling pin "turkey legs", bean bag "stuffing" and more! Then we had a turkey hunt where the children practiced their throwing accuracy trying to knock down a stuffed turkey with foam balls. Kindergarten and Prefirst played turkey tag with the farmers trying to get the turkeys back in their pen and also warmed up with a thankfulness yoga flow.



Spanish with Mrs. Wyatt

¡Hola! ¡November has been a fun month for my Spanish amigos! We started the month learning about Día de los Muertos, a holiday that celebrates those we have lost. We also learned a few body parts so we could sing Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes, in Spanish of course. We also learned a few more colors so we could read Oso Café (Brown Bear). We ended the month with Thanksgiving and learning the vocabulary for some of the things for which we are thankful. I am looking forward to seeing everyone back at school in December.



Pre-first with Mrs. Barta

Pre-first just learned all about the First Thanksgiving and the history behind it all. We read many books related to this and the children wrote and illustrated their own version of the First Thanksgiving story. Pre-first has been working so hard on writing, phonetic spelling, sounding out words and their illustrations. Hopefully, they read their books to you over the holiday because they were so proud of their work! It was fun to see the amazement in their eyes when we were talking about how life was almost 400 years ago. In phonics, we have wrapped up our units on "glued sounds." These are multiple letters together that make one sound such as -all in ball, -am in ham and -an in fan. In Math, we have been learning about odd and even numbers, (otherwise known as party partners), comparing numbers to determine if they are greater than, less than, or equal to another number and ten frames. We are now excited to jump right into the spirit of the holiday season. As always, thank you for your continued support and partnership to make this a wonderful year full of growth, development and learning for your children.