10/22/21

Dear Parents,

Pumpkins and letter Pp.

This week we talked about Pumpkins and introduced the letter P.

We learned that pumpkins are harvested during the month of October and are grown all over the world. We learned that every pumpkin is different and can be tall or short, smooth or bumpy or round or lopsided! They are not vegetables, they are a kind of fruit called gourd. We also talked about how pumpkins grow, from a seed into a little plant that poke through the ground. They keep growing until they are long and twisty. Now they are called vines and produce pretty yellow flowers. Some of the flowers turn into baby pumpkins green and tiny. They loved the fact that there are lots of things you can do with them such as making bread, muffins, soup, and ice cream! On Friday, we opened one of the pumpkins, cleaned it inside, washed the seeds, and baked some of them in the school oven with a little bit of oil and salt. They are very good for you!

We also talked about pumpkins with a carved face that are called a jack-o-lanterns. They can be scary or super silly. They are one perfect fruit!

For art, we did paper plate pumpkins, puffy paint made with shaving cream and orange food for painting, used the journals to draw a pumpkin patch, and glued seeds on different paper shapes to make fanny faces.

Books we read: The Legend of Spookley the Square Pumpkin Perfect Pumpkins. Sixteen Runaway Pumpkins. The biggest pumpkin ever. It's Pumpkin Day, Mouse! Pumpkin Patch Puppy. Pumpkins in Fall.

For Letter P, we practiced tracing it, cutting and pasting, the sound that it makes and, listened to several songs where they learned lots of new words that start with that letter.

We read: The Pigs's Picnic and My "P" Book. We also practiced writing small words such as pig, pie, pot, and pan.

Our next students of the week will be: Orange Door : Oliver May Brown Door: Jolie Gonzalez Purple Door: Lincoln Farinas

Please bring a decorated poster with family pictures, favorite places, food, and color by Monday 25th.

Quote of the week; "Sugar and pumpkin spice and all things nice!"

Have a great weekend, Mrs. Ana Mrs. Marta Miss. Laura