Dear Parents of Blue Door,

Hello! This week we learned about Pumpkins. During Circle Time the teacher talked about the seeds that are inside the pumpkin and their color. The seeds are yellowish-white and pictures were shown to the children as well. Pumpkins come in lots of colors but the color that is most commonly seen is orange. The shape of the seeds was also spoken about and their shape is Oval. Pictures of different colored pumpkins were shown to the children as well. This week during music class the music teacher brought in little orange pumpkins that had to do with the story she read which was Pete the Cat, Five Little Pumpkins. That was really nice since the topic of the week was Pumpkins.

For Art, the children glued mosaic squares to a pumpkin and they had fun painting a small paper plate orange and then gluing the stem and green leaf to it, they did a great job. They also colored using an orange crayon, a small paper plate, and glued the eyes, nose, and mouth to it to make their pumpkin. As always they worked very hard in their journals and made thumbprint pumpkins. They made towers by using Legos and enjoyed putting different themed puzzles together.

For storytime they heard these stories Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?, Pumpkin Patch Puppy, Pumpkin Day, The Very Hungry Caterpillar, The Legend of the Spooked Square Pumpkin, The Itsy Bitsy Pumpkin, There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Bat, and The Itsy Bitsy Pumpkin.

On the playground, we have lots of fun playing but we also practice our gross motor skills. This week they rode the tricycles, jumped in place, ran one lap around the playground, threw the balls to one another, and went up the slide stairs and down the slide.

Parents, please do not forget to send in clean clothing for your child as well as pullups if they are potty training. Please remember to potty train at home as well. Make sure your child's nails are cut short so that way they do not scratch themselves or their friends. Please go over the colors and shapes with your child at home and also how to hold a crayon correctly. We work very hard here at school. Reinforcement is very important.

"Children are our greatest teachers. From them, we can learn some of life's valuable qualities, patience, curiosity, kindness, determination, resilience, fearlessness, trust and most importantly they teach us what it means to love and be loved unconditionally" by Proud Happy Mama

Have a great weekend! Mrs. Cindy Mrs. Luz