



CHESTERBROOK ACADEMY NEWS

November 2019

2019-2020

School Closures:

- 9/2:** Labor Day
- 11/5:** Election Day (*Staff Development*)
- 11/28:** Thanksgiving
- 12/24:** Christmas Eve
(*closing early 3:00 pm*)
- 12/25:** Christmas Day
- 1/1:** New Year's Day
- 2/17:** President's Day
(*Staff Development*)
- 5/25:** Memorial Day
- 7/4:** Independence Day

A Note From Our Principal,

We hope your children enjoyed their fall lessons, pumpkin themed activities and classroom celebrations last month. Seeing our students enjoy their Halloween costumes and fall attire is one of the highlights of the year for us. Thank you for allowing us to be part of these special occasions! The Beginner B classroom was the winner of our pumpkin contest this year with their Dinosaur pumpkin!

This will be a busy month as we head into the holiday season and we are looking forward to spending it with you and your children.

Educationally Yours,

Kristen Roselli

November Dates to Remember:

- 11/1: Pajama Day!
- 11/4 Yankee Candle Fundraiser Begins
- 11/5: CLOSED—Teacher In-Service (PDD)**
- 11/18: Last day to place orders for Yankee Candle Fundraiser
- 11/20-11/22: Progress Reports Distributed
- 11/26 & 11/27— OPTIONAL Conference dates—if you would like to schedule a conference, please see administration.
- 11/28: CLOSED—Thanksgiving**
- **Mondays at 9:30 : Soccer Shots** - Last Session 11/18.
- **Wednesdays at 9:30: Lil Sports**
- **Thursdays The Music Experience with Mr. Dave :**
 - ⇒ 3:15—3:45: Pre-K, Pre-K 2, Kindergarten
 - ⇒ -3:45— 4:15 Toddlers, Beginners, Intermediates
- **Fridays in November are Eagles Spirit Days!**

November Announcements

Yankee Candle: We will be running a Yankee Candle Fundraiser through out the first two weeks of November. Packets will be in cubbies on Monday, November 4th. The FINAL DAY for ordering is Monday, November 18th.

Allergies: WE ARE A PEANUT & TREENUT FREE SCHOOL. Please be aware of the ingredients for any food being sent in with your child, this includes birthday treats. Some alternatives to birthday treats could be donating a book to the classroom, planning a “mystery guest reader” with your child’s teacher, stickers, tiny play-doughs, etc.

Hour Modifications: The school is **CLOSED** on Tuesday, November 5th for a Professional Development Day, and Thursday, November 28th for the Thanksgiving Holiday. We **are** open on Friday November 29th (Black Friday). Please let you children’s teacher know if they will NOT be attending school that day. This is crucial to be sure staffing is in compliance with state ratio requirements.

Fall Sensory Fun

October, 2019 | Topics: [Mathematics](#), [Social Emotional](#), [Wellness](#)

Sensory play is a wonderful opportunity for children to explore textures, sights and scents of the fall season. Multi-sensory experiences help children retain information better, build new skills, and develop a lifelong love of learning. Below are three activities that you can try with your child this month.



1. Explore the Inside of a Pumpkin

Cut off the top of a pumpkin and give it to your child. Encourage him to reach inside, get a little messy, and feel the slimy texture. Encourage fine motor and math skills by asking him to pick out and count the seeds.

2. Create a Fall-Themed Sensory Bin

Take a nature walk with your child and collect leaves, pine cones, sticks and acorns. Encourage him to name and count each item. When you get home, fill a bin with rice or small pasta. Add in items found in nature, such as leaves, pine cones, sticks, and acorns. Give your child cups and spoons and encourage him to explore by scooping, digging, pouring and sorting.

3. Give a Pumpkin a Bath

Fill a sink or large bin with water, bubble bath solution, and a few small pumpkins. Provide your child with a sponge or brush and ask him to help you give the pumpkins a bath. He'll love dunking the