

# PRESCHOOL FOR ALL NEWSLETTER

## NOVEMBER 2023



Happy November! October was a month filled with lots of fun activities. The students have been working hard and learning all of the classroom routines and expectations. They have been working so well together and there are many new friendships forming in the classroom!

### CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS

In October, we began working on our Reduce, Reuse, Recycle study and we examined the questions “What do we know about recycling?”, “What do people throw away?”, “Where does trash go?” and “What do the workers do there?”. We went on shape hunts, we made shapes and designs using geoboards and we dug in sand to find buried treasure (letters).

We also worked on some Halloween activities during the month of October. We did a fun experiment where we dissolved candy pumpkins in different liquids and we practiced counting with one to one correspondence using spiders. The students had a great time at the Palos Children’s Farm and it was so wonderful to see everyone’s artistic skills shine when they decorated their pumpkins at our parent event. We also enjoyed our Halloween parade and celebration!

While it is a short month, November will be very busy. We will continue working on our Reduce, Reuse, Recycle study will investigate the questions “How do trash and garbage affect our community?” and “How can we reuse junk?”. We will visit the Little Red Schoolhouse. We will also spend some time talking about Thanksgiving and the things for which we are thankful.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our October field trip and pumpkin decorating event. We loving seeing so many families at these events! I greatly appreciate the support from all of our families!

### FIELD TRIP

We will be taking a trip to the Little Red Schoolhouse on Tuesday, November 14. All students are encouraged to bring one chaperone and younger siblings. Students and chaperones will meet in front of school at 9:50. We will return at approximately 12:05. There will be no ALPHA bus service on this day.

## PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent-teacher conferences will be held Monday, November 20 from 2pm-8pm and Tuesday, November 21 from 8am-12pm. Conferences will be held either in person or via Zoom this year. A link to sign up for conferences will be sent out in the next week. You will be asked to provide your preference for in person or zoom when you sign up. Students will have a remote learning day on Monday, November 20. Activities will be posted on Seesaw on that morning. The students will not be in attendance Tuesday, November 22-Friday, November 25.

## SEESAW

If you have not already signed up for the Seesaw Family app, I encourage you to do so. It is a great way to keep up with the latest communications and news from the classroom. If you need assistance in signing up, please do not hesitate to ask!

We will have a remote learning day on Monday, November 20. If you need a new code to login to Seesaw Class, please let me know as soon as possible!

## SAVE THE DATE

- **Tuesday, November 14** – Field Trip to Little Red School House
- **Monday, November 20** – Remote Learning Day for EC/Preschool Classes – Parent Teacher Conferences
- **Tuesday, November 21** – No School – Parent Teacher Conferences
- **Wednesday, November 22 – Friday, November 24** – No School – Thanksgiving Break
- **Monday, December 4** – Parent Involvement – Gingerbread Houses – more info to follow
- **Thursday, December 21** – No EC/Preschool Classes – District Early Dismissal Day
- **Friday, December 22 – Monday, January 8** – Winter Break
- **Tuesday, January 9** – Classes Resume

As always, if you ever have any questions or concerns, please contact me via Seesaw, call me at (708) 423-3078 or email me at [cbrychel@ahsd125.org](mailto:cbrychel@ahsd125.org).

Sincerely,

Mrs. Colleen Brychel

