

## Weekly Notes November 17, 2020

### Office Notes:



**Facebook, Instagram, Twitter:** If you would like to see pictures of your children at work and play, be sure and follow us on these platforms. We post every day or so, and we do not want you to miss it!

**School pictures:** will be available on Monday, November 30, and your child's teacher will have them. Families with more than one child – we will send the pictures home with the older student. Sibling pictures will go home with the older student.

### *Ms. Ginny and Ms. Kayla's class*

What a fun week of learning about transportation, opposites and now talking about Thanksgiving.

We are looking forward to our "Thanksgiving Feast" on Friday. If your child is participating, you will not need to send in a lunch.

Today we read one of my favorite books: *I Knew You Could!* By Craig Dorfman. It is the sweetest story about the journeys we take in life and what makes it all worthwhile.

Our class loves to sing and dance; enjoy these activities with your children over the break!

I want to wish you all an incredibly Happy Thanksgiving and hopefully you will get to spend it with your family and make wonderful memories. We will be out all next week and return on Monday, November 30.

### *Ms. Shannon and Ms. Rachel's Class*

We are still enjoying our transportation studies. We had a great time going on wagon rides last week.

We will be celebrating Thanksgiving on Friday. We will have our Chick Fil A meals and juice boxes.

There will be no school on the 23rd-27th. I hope you all enjoy your Thanksgiving!

### *Ms. Valerie and Ms. Christina's Class*

Hello,

This week we will be discussing what we are thankful for and what it means to be grateful. Friday we will be celebrating Thanksgiving with our Chick-fil-a meal (no lunchbox needed). We will also record the children saying what they are thankful for at line time. I will send out an email with the recording for parents to view.

This year we will not be having a Holiday program, so instead, we have decided to do a short play (Polar Express themed) and incorporate some dances in our play. We will record the play for everyone to see. In December we will send out an email with more details about the play and the costumes needed for each student.

If anyone has cardboard boxes (medium-sized) that they would like to donate, we would love to use them as props/costumes for the play!

#### **Friendly Reminders**

- There will be no school on November 23<sup>rd</sup> – November 27<sup>th</sup>
- Please arrive at school no later than 8:20 am. We want to ensure we start our morning on schedule
- Please make sure that your child has a car seat or booster seat in the vehicle during drop off and pick up. This is a state requirement!

We hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving break!

-Ms. Valerie and Ms. Christina

### *Ms. Angie and Ms. Carolina's Class*

Hello!

We cannot believe that Thanksgiving is upon us! Even though circumstances have changed our celebrations, we can have an individualized wrapped lunch delivered from Chick-fil-this Friday to celebrate the upcoming holiday in our classroom.

We have been learning about this holiday and how it is celebrated; we have been busy making a few crafts to take home at the end of the week.

Friday is a normal school day, but your child will only need to bring their water bottles.

We have seen previews of school pictures taken this past month, and they are beautiful!

Next week we will have the week off for Thanksgiving break, and we have encouraged all of the children to stay healthy, wash their hands and wear their masks when needed, especially if they are going out of town. We want to come back and stay in school for the remainder of this year.

Please send in library bags on Wednesday; we will keep the bags here until we come back from the break.

A few reminders:

- Readers are due on Mondays and Thursdays.
- 3rd-year homework is due on Thursdays, and it goes back home on Fridays
- Make sure your child wears a mask at school and sends in spare ones if they forget them.
- Please **label** all the child's clothes and jackets, and make sure they layer up, the weather is getting colder, and we would like them to go outside and play.

We want you to know how much we have appreciated your patience and support during this school year; we are very thankful for all our class children and their families.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Angie, Nikki & Carolina.

### *Ms. Dolores and Ms. Robin's Class*

We sent home Scholastic Book order forms last week. Book orders are due on Monday, December 7th. All you need to do is order online and use the teacher code provided. When you do this, we earn credits for free books for our classroom. The books can be shipped directly to you. The children were excited when the order forms went home. We love to see them excited about books and reading!

Please send labeled jackets each day. The weather is getting colder and the children need them for recess. Also, since we do not have microwaves, remember that you may send in soups and leftovers in thermoses. I have seen children eat grilled cheese sandwiches, nuggets, and French toast from thermoses, and they tell me that they stay warm!

Friday we will enjoy a special birthday and Thanksgiving celebration. Birthday children are sending special treats. Please remember that all students should bring in their favorite stuffed animal on Friday to help us celebrate the occasion.

We hope that you all have a happy Thanksgiving. Enjoy the time with children and families, but please stay safe and healthy so that we can stay in school to close out 2020!

Ms. Robin and Ms. Dolores

### *Ms. Maggie and Ms. Stefanie's Class*

Thanksgiving break is November 23 -27. We will have a Thanksgiving celebration in the classroom this Friday. Students can bring in prepackaged treats from a vendor for the

class to enjoy. We have 19 students in the classroom. If sending in a treat, please be sure they are peanut free. Thank you!

Many students have a change of summer clothing in case of emergencies. Please send in a change of winter clothing in a labeled Ziploc bag.

Please be sure to have a mask on at drop-off. We encourage all students to have two backup masks in the classroom as well. Please be sure to return all library books by this Friday.

If your child forgets their lunchbox in the morning, please drop it off outside our building door. Due to the extra precautions, please do not enter our building door. Please send Ms. Maggie a text when the lunchbox is outside the door.

We hope that you have a Happy Thanksgiving!

Thank you,

Ms. Maggie & Ms. Stefanie

*Ms. Rebecca and Ms. Kaitlin's Class:*

Parents:

We are thoroughly enjoying this wonderful Fall weather. Please remind students to dress accordingly and save their athletic wear for Fridays.

We will celebrate Thanksgiving in the classroom on Friday with several fun activities and crafts related to our History and Geography studies of the colonization of America and the history of Thanksgiving.

Reminders for this week:

- \* Wordly Wise/Language HW - due Thursday
- \* Classical Roots Test - Friday
- \* Fussell Fitness (P.E) - Friday
- \* Thanksgiving Break - 23rd-27th (No school next week)

Thank you,

Ms. Rebecca

*Adolescent and Secondary Class*

**Some thoughts from our Secondary students about the recent Georgia history trip:**

“Our trip was an amazing learning opportunity and a great bonding experience. We went to some particularly important places in our state’s history, such as the Chickamauga battlefield. We learned about Native American history at an interesting place called Foxfire Museum. It Unfortunately, the weather was very rainy and foggy, which caused delays that made us miss some opportunities. We stayed at two amazing families' houses. They were very gracious to allow us to stay in their homes. Thanks to everyone who helped make the trip possible!”

--Lily Cantrell

“The Adolescents went on one of our Georgia Studies trip last week. We first arrived on Tuesday and settled in. On Wednesday we went on a rigorous hike at Cloudland Canyon. Afterwards, we went to the Battle of Chickamauga grounds and spent most of the day there. On Thursday we visited the Foxfire Museum, which was an outdoors museum of the Appalachian people who inhabited the area. On Friday on our way back to school, we went to Mercier’s Orchard and saw how they sort the Apples.”

--Joshua Girgis

“The recent Adolescent and Secondary trip was meant to help expand our knowledge and perception of Georgia. We went to places such as the Foxfire Museum and the Chickamauga and Chattanooga Military National Park. Both are very unique in what they offer for education, with Foxfire being about southern Appalachian life and the history of Native Americans in the area, and Chickamauga being about the bloody Civil War battle that took place there, and also the Civil War in general. They each are a unique way of learning about Georgia’s diverse history that we were all glad to get to experience. We also went up to Cloudland Canyon for a hiking experience. This allowed us to get to admire the vast beauty of Georgia that not many think about. We were all glad to get to go on this trip, as it allowed us to learn in a very engaging way and we got to experience things firsthand.”

--Kaylie Martin