

NOVEMBER 2020

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DIRECTOR'S CORNER

November is a time when we reflect on our blessings and give thanks to our Lord.

Over the last 38 years I have learned many lessons from the children for which I am thankful.

- Your students are your family
- Patience is a true gift of love
- Respect for children is a must
- Learning is not always about the academics
- Children thrive with structure & love
- Time spent with children can change the course of their lives

I have truly been blessed by you and your children at Playday. I thank the Lord for this daily.

Maureen Bowman
Director



UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 4 & 5 Book Record Sheets Due w/
Pledge Sheet

Nov. 18 & 19 Read-A-Thon Pledges due

Nov. 23-27 Thanksgiving Break

Nov. 30 School Resumes

IMPORTANT INFO

Morning drop off is going smoothly at the new east entrance with the metal awning. This drop off location will remain in effect until further notice.

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DID YOU KNOW?

When I play in the kitchen area with the food and the dolls, I am learning...

- To use my imagination, to try on different adult roles
- To cooperate with others when involved in some dramatic play
- To express myself in sentences
- To solve problems, especially socially, through negotiation with friends
- To improvise and use things in a symbolic way to represent something else...abstract thinking.

When I play with Playdough, I am learning...

- To express feelings, squeezing and pounding
- When I cut out a shape with a cookie cutter, I am learning about negative & positive space, seeing something against its background (helps with reading)
- That the amount of a substance remains the same, even when the shape changes

When I play with cars and trains, I am learning...

- To see myself from a different perspective, that of a giant
- How wheeled vehicles move through the world and what happens when they crash
- How things need to be pushed up hills, but going downhill, they go fast on their own (physics!)

When I sort things, I am learning...

- To notice details and similarities and differences in objects; concepts of color, size and shape
- To form categories, essential concepts for reading and mathematics
- Logical reasoning

IN THE KNOW

Learning self help skills are very important for children of all ages. Here are some self help skills to practice at home:

Toddlers/Twos- picking up their toys, using a utensil to eat, drinking from a cup

Threes- opening containers, zipping, buttoning, putting on a jacket/coat, putting on shoes, managing bathroom skills from beginning to end

Fours/TK- packing/unpacking back packs, putting clothes away, folding small wash rags/towels, taking dinner plate to the counter

Learning these skills builds self confidence and independence.

THINGS TO CONSIDER

Are you looking for a way to get involved in your child's preschool? The Playday Board could use your help! It is time for members of the Board to roll off and new members to join.

This year with COVID limiting the events/activities at Playday, the board is focusing their efforts on policies, procedures, finances, and a plan for the future. Meetings are held via Zoom, on the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 6 pm-8pm.

Prayerfully consider joining the Board.

Contact Maureen with any questions: 972 396-7575

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