

Wonder Years Academy

November 2021 Newsletter

Oh, how we hate to see October end! It's always one of our favorite months at preschool, especially with the fun field trip to Hee Haws and, of course, Halloween! But every month is a great one at school, and we have November and December fun activities to look forward to!

This month started out last week with our **G is for Green** (colors) unit. Coming up this week will be **H is for Harvest** (Fall unit), followed the next week by a *very noisy* unit, **I is for Instruments** (music unit)! Then we will have a short **Thanksgiving** unit before the Thanksgiving break (see dates on the calendar). The month will finish up with **J is for Jobs**, our Community Helpers unit.

Don't forget to check your child's backpack every day!

If your child brings home unfinished worksheets or crafts in his/her backpack, it is either because your child was absent or a "slow finisher" that day. (And that's not a bad thing – we all have those days occasionally when we are more easily distracted or we just don't have our normal energy level!) We put the work for that day in all the cubbies, just in case you want to have your child complete this work at home. However, this is your choice and we do not need you to turn in any "homework" back to school.

SNIFFLES, SNEEZES, AND COUGHS – OH MY!

It's that time of year again – besides COVID we have to also watch out for the ordinary cold and flu season ☹ ☹ We appreciate you keeping your child home when they are sick in order to avoid spreading germs to the rest of the preschool.

NO SCHOOL 11/24 thru 11/28 for Thanksgiving break!

IMPORTANT DATES: **Please see reverse side for November calendar**

As mentioned in our email earlier this week, PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD INTO SCHOOL UNLESS A TEACHER IS OUT FRONT WHEN DROPPING OFF! Escorting your child down is a courtesy we provide so parents don't have to leave their cars each day, and we try very hard to be out front 5 mins prior to the start of class. However, some days set up takes a bit longer, and we dash up there as soon as we can! But our doors are locked until then because we are unable to supervise your child. It is unsafe to drop off children under these circumstances. (Of course, conversely, if you are LATE to preschool we will all have already come down to school, and in that instance you will absolutely need to bring down your child yourself.) Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping keep all our students safe!

We try to go outside on any day that is even remotely dry and not too windy. But temperatures have dropped significantly since the beginning of the year, so please make sure your child is dressed for the weather with a jacket /sweater and something covering those bare legs!

And speaking of wardrobe issues, we appreciate you sending your child in shoes they can put on themselves. Could you do us a big favor, though, and take a few minutes to practice this with your child? We are still seeing quite a few children struggling with even their slip-on shoes, or refusing to even try by themselves. This one little thing takes SO much time away from learning and play time each day, so we would be grateful for any small amount of time you could work on this with your child. Thank you!

