



Our Redeemer Child Care Center Toddler Room – Group 2 November 2016

Class Notes

- **Music & Movement with Miss Sue** will be here on November 13rd & 10th.
- **Pizza Days:** November 4th, 10th & 18th
- **Election Day,** November 8th, **Veteran's Day,** November 11th.
- We will be closed Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th. **Happy Thanksgiving!**
- It's getting **COLD** out! We go outside daily (weather permitting); please be sure your child has a warm jacket at school (and mittens and hat as needed). Once the snow arrives we will also need boots and snowpants for outdoor play. Thank you!
- **Weather emergencies.** ORCCC will close if a state of emergency or snow emergency exists – or if the governor has requested businesses to close and non-essential state employees to stay home. Everyone's safety is our top priority. Our center's voicemail message and Facebook page will keep you informed of any closings.



"Thank you" to Jessica from Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary for visiting our class last month and teaching us about Bats & Spiders!

November Themes

October 31 – November 4: Family Literacy Day - Celebrating with our favorite books!
November 7-11: Harvest
November 14 - 18: I am Thankful...
November 21 - 23: Happy Thanksgiving!
November 28 – December 2: Winter Clothing

Looking for some extra help in the kitchen this holiday season? Ask your toddler!

Spending time together in the kitchen can be a great bonding experience, build your child's confidence AND get them excited about eating.

Here are some things your toddler can do:

- help put away groceries
 - sweep the floor
 - tear up lettuce for salads
 - dry dishes
 - crush cracker boxes for recycling (or pretend with them)
 - take (safe) items out of the dishwasher
 - help to measure, pour and stir ingredients
 - pretend with their own kitchen tools
 - create decorations and place cards for the table
- HAVE FUN!!!

National Family Literacy Day

is observed each year on November 1st

Toddlers reap great benefits from being read to.

They learn to:

1. receive one-on-one attention
2. enjoy the language and stories in books
3. listen to and understand simple stories
4. understand the meaning of new words and phrases
5. repeat some of the language from books as you read
6. ask and respond to simple questions about books
7. turn the pages of a book
8. choose which book to read

(From Scholastic: A Parent's Guide to Reading with Your Young Child, Neuman & Wright)

Happy Thanksgiving!

- Amanda M. & Amanda T.

November Songs & Fingerplays

Book Poem

Here is my book (hold hands together)
I open it wide,
To see all the pictures,
That are inside!

"Cornucopia" (tune: Clementine)

There's a (pumpkin), there's a (pumpkin), in the cornucopia.
There's a (pumpkin), there's a (pumpkin), in the cornucopia.
(Continue the song with the names of other items that are in a cornucopia)

"Sneeze Song" (tune: Up on the Housetop)

Sneeze in your elbow, won't you please,
So you don't get germs on me.
Sneeze in your elbow, quick, quick, quick,
So nobody else gets sick, sick, sick!

"Turkey Poem"

The turkey is a funny bird, his head goes wobble, wobble.
And, he knows just one word - gobble, gobble, gobble!

"Thank You, Jesus" (tune: London Bridge)

Thank you, Jesus, for my friends,
For my friends, for my friends,
Thank you, Jesus, for my friends.
Thank you, Jesus!
(Ask children what other things they are thankful for and continue with different verses.)

"Finger Family"

Finger family up, (Wiggle fingers up)
Finger family down, (Wiggle fingers down)
Finger family dancing all around the town. (Wiggle fingers all around)
Dance them on your shoulders. (Wiggle fingers on shoulders)
Dance them on your head. (Wiggle fingers on head)
Dance them on your knees, (Wiggle fingers on knees)
And tuck them into bed. (Fold hands and put beside face)