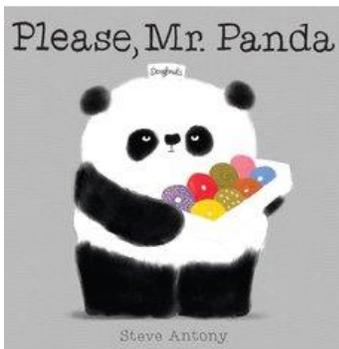




Our Redeemer Child Care Center Toddler Room – Group 2 November 2015

Class Notes

- **Miss Sue** will be here on November 12th & 25th.
- **Pizza Days:** November 5th, 13th and 19th.
- **Veteran's Day,** November 11th.
- We will be closed Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th. **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!
- **Genuine European Portraits** will be at ORCCC to take photographs (or you may bring in your own) for hand-drawn portraits. Detailed information has been sent home.
- **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. The safety of our families is our top priority. Our center's voicemail message and Facebook page will keep you informed of any closings.



Last month "Toddler 2" loved the books *Please, Mr. Panda* and *Betty Goes Bananas* by Steve Antony.

November Themes

- November 2 - 6: Family Literacy Month - Celebrating with our favorite books!
- November 9 – 13: Harvest
- November 16 - 20: I am Thankful...
- November 23 - 25: Happy Thanksgiving!

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 (at school we LOVE putting wooden blocks into muffin tins and pretending we are baking!)
- create decorations and place cards for the table

HAVE FUN!!!

November is Family Literacy Month!

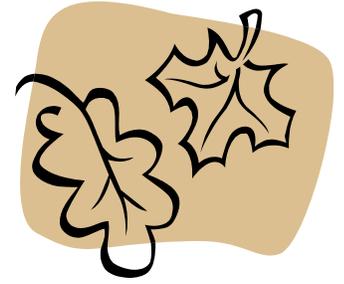
Toddlers reap great benefits from being read to.

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)

November Songs and Fingerplays



"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!

"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.)

"Thank You"

Thank you for the sky so bright.

Thank you for the moon at night.

Thank you for my family.

Thanks for friends who play with me.

Thanks for everything I see.

I am thankful, yes sirree!

"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)

Happy Thanksgiving!
Amanda, Amanda and Ana