



NEW HORIZONS COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL
FULL DAY PRE KINDERGARTEN
NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



FINE MOTOR: During the month of November the students will be practicing writing their names, addresses & phone numbers. As part of their homework for the week of 11/9 child will be bringing home a paper for you to help them make a family portrait. This is an important part of our Homes & Family Unit which the students will be sharing with the class during morning circle time. The homework sheet will be sent home 11/6.

LANGUAGE: As a pre reading skill we will be observing your child’s ability to predict story-beginning, middle and ending. We will continue using more expanded vocabulary such as plurals, adjectives and adverbs. We will also be doing activities to emphasize left and right orientation. The second week in November will be Character Building. We will be helping the children develop ethically and morally by incorporating some important practices in their classroom.

MATHEMATICS: In combination with our fine motor skills we will emphasize number recognition while practicing our home phone numbers and addresses. We will be reviewing our geometric shapes, sphere, cylinder, rectangular prism, square based prism, triangle based prism and cone. There will be many activities for the students to work on, such as identifying first, middle, last, comparing sets and counting sets. The students will be doing lessons to help them understand ordinal numbers 1-5. The students will be reviewing the terms: how many, equal, fewer & more than, and how to apply them. The class will also be learning “What a Year is”.

SOCIAL/SCIENCE: As part of our sharing and caring month we will be talking about families and how we celebrate Thanksgiving and how the First Thanksgiving was celebrated. The students will be practicing table setting in anticipation of Thanksgiving. We hope you will allow your child to help with this tradition at home. In Science we will be reviewing the proper use of farm tools, life on the farm and ponds

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD’S CLASSROOM FOR SIGN UP SHEETS FOR OUR THANKSGIVING FEAST.



PLEASE HELP WITH OUR FOOD DRIVE. FAMILIES ARE IN NEED OF OUR HELP MORE THAN EVER THIS YEAR. PLEASE SEE THE BACK OF THE NEWSLETTER FOR SUGGESTIONS.



FULL DAY PREKINDERGARTEN NOVEMBER 2015

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Letter Y: Young & Old – Life on the Farm Pond life	2 FOOD DRIVE 	3 FOOD DRIVE  Election day – voting for your favorite snack	4 FOOD DRIVE 	5 FOOD DRIVE 	6 FOOD DRIVE  Family Homework Paper goes home
Letter H & Q: Homes & Family Addresses, Quality Time At Home, Sharing, Caring & Table Manners	9	10 Book Fair 8:00-9:30am 3pm-5:30pm	11 Book Fair 8:00-9:30am 3pm-5:30 pm	12 Book Fair 8:00am- 9:30am 3pm-5:30 pm	13 Book Fair 8:00am-9:30am
Letter H & Q: Homes & Family Addresses, Quality Time At Home, Sharing, Caring & Table Manners	16	17	18	19  Pizza & Skating Wear your NHCDs t-shirt	20 Thanksgiving Feast
Letter & Math Review Thanksgiving	23 Non VPK Day. Classes are still in session.	24 Non VPK Day. Classes are still in session.	25 SCHOOL CLOSED	26 SCHOOL CLOSED	27 SCHOOL CLOSED
Traveling the World	30				



SHARE YOUR CUPBOARD

NOVEMBER 2nd-6th

An annual tradition at New Horizons has been our Canned Goods Drive. We collect food for the needy families in our community. Your past support of this collection has been terrific and we hope your children won't miss this opportunity to feel the true sharing spirit of the season by giving to those who are less fortunate.

Donations of food may be dropped off in your child's classroom, the Great Room or the front lobby

Monday through Friday Nov. 2nd thru Nov. 6th

Suggested foods: boxed mashed potatoes, stuffing, canned vegetables & fruits, gravy, muffin or corn bread mix, powdered or canned milk, pastas and sauce, macaroni and cheese, canned meats, tuna fish, boxed cereal, rice and beans, flour, soups, or juice.

Non-perishable boxed, canned and plastic containers only.



Astro Skate Field Trip Reminders Thursday, November 19th

Each class will be limited to 3 chaperones. All chaperones must have attended the Parent Astro Skate Meeting on October 15th or November 19th.

If you missed the first meeting and have been asked to chaperone on the upcoming skating field trip, there will be another meeting Thursday, November 19th at 8:45 am in the Great Room.

Please see your child's teacher if you are interested in attending this field trip and they will let you know about availability.

BOOK FAIR

NOVEMBER 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th



HOURS OF OPERATION:

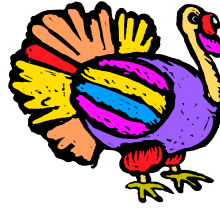
8am-9:30am (Tuesday-Friday)

3pm-5:30pm (Tuesday-Thursday)

WHERE: OUR GREAT ROOM



This is a perfect time to get some of your Holiday Shopping done early!!!



REMINDER

SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING NOVEMBER 25th-27th



Wrap Care Voluntary Pre K students.

Classes for our Wrap Care Voluntary Pre K students are in session November 25th -27th. However, if your child is going to be out of school for a family visit etc. These days **will not** count as an absence on your child's attendance.

Regular tuition is still due for that week.
If you have any questions please feel free to contact the office for more details.



PRESCHOOL THANKSGIVING FEAST

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20th

In keeping with the holiday, Thanksgiving and our "Caring and Sharing Unit", your child's class will be preparing a wonderful dessert to have with their lunch. Please send in your child's regular lunch minus the dessert.



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE THE INGREDIENTS FOR YOUR CHILD'S SPECIAL DESSERT PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM FOR SIGN UP SHEETS.

BACK GATE SAFETY



Please do not allow your child to push the **green gate button**. This is for the safety of all our children. Many times your child will run ahead of you - push the green button and run out the gate into our parking lot leaving our gate open. Not only is your child at risk in the parking lot but many times another child will follow your child out the gate.

CHILDREN ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PUSH THE GREEN GATE BUTTON

Please close the gate when leaving. If you are at the gate and someone asks you to let them in because they forgot their card and you are not sure if they are a part of our New Horizons family, please do not allow them to enter. Find a staff member who can verify that they are a member or direct them to the front office off Nebraska Avenue.



5 A DAY The Color Way

By eating your colors every day you will stay fit and healthy. Colorful fruits and vegetables contain many of the nutrients, minerals and phytochemicals your body needs to maintain good health and energy. They also protect against the effects of aging and can help reduce the risk of some of the major lifestyle diseases. Many of the phytochemicals and other compounds that make fruits and vegetables such healthy foods also give them their color. There are many different phytochemicals and compounds associated with the color – so to ensure you get a wide range of them you need to try and eat fruits and vegetables from each of the color groups each day.

A new food may need to be introduced 6 - 12 times before a child decides if they will like it. Don't give up! To ensure the health of your loved ones, serve and encourage **5 A DAY** for better health.

What is a serving?

Age 1 – 3

- 1/2 medium fruit
- 1/4 cup cut-up vegetables
- 4 oz 100% fruit or vegetable juice
- 1/4 cup cooked vegetables
- 1/2 cup leafy greens
- 1/4 cup potatoes
- 1/4 cup peas or beans
- Dried fruit not recommended



Age 4 - 6

- 1 medium fruit
- 1/2 cup cooked vegetables
- 1 cup leafy greens
- 1/2 cup potatoes
- 1/2 cup peas or beans
- 1/4 cup dried fruit



FOCUS ON FUNDAMENTALS

Fostering Tolerance and Respect

Children are born without biases about other people of any race, culture, gender, or disability. We sometimes wonder if we can raise our own children free of prejudice. Unfortunately, it doesn't work this way; society's messages are too pervasive. As parents and teachers, we need to take positive action if children are to grow up comfortable with who they are *and* be respectful of others.

We want to work with you to create a program that helps to counter society's messages of bias and reflect the cultural background of all children and families. To begin with, we choose books, dolls, and even pictures on the wall, with an eye to finding balance and showing children what they see too little of elsewhere. For instance, we make a point of showing men and women of all ethnic backgrounds doing a variety of jobs, men as well as women doing household chores and spending time with children and different kinds of families enjoying themselves.

Are we doing all this to be "politically correct"? Not really. We're committed to helping children grow up confident of their own identity and to be respectful to other people and aware of the rich diversity of their community and world.

