



November News for the 3s Preschool Class!

Hello Families,

I first wanted to inform you of a staffing change in our classroom. Ms. Fernanda Posture is pregnant with her second child! Unfortunately, her doctor has requested she stop working to keep baby safe and healthy. We will miss her and wish her well. Please join me in welcoming Amanda Cendoya to our classroom. Amanda's two sons both went through SJV in my classrooms, and she has been an assistant in the 3+ class the last two years. We are very excited to have her join our classroom!

What a fun, busy month October was! We enjoyed learning about pumpkins, and ghosts, and spiders – OH MY! And of course our Halloween party was so much fun. I loved all of the kids' cute costumes.

Looking ahead to November we will be sharing about what each of us is thankful for- especially our families and friends!

We start out the month reading a cute story about scarecrows and make our own shape scarecrows. Next up will be learning about sharing, triangles, turkeys and then a day off to remember all of our special Veteran's on Monday Nov. 11th.

Then we will read the story of Stone Soup and start preparing for our Thanksgiving feast. **Stone Soup** is a European folk story in which hungry strangers convince the people of a town to each share a small amount of their food to make a meal that everyone enjoys and exists as a moral regarding the value of sharing. An important life-long skill we are helping the children to learn! It also ties in nicely with our food drive at SJV! I will have a sign-up list for families to donate an item for our soup (carrots, celery, potatoes, corn, etc.) The children will help to cut up our vegetables for our soup. We will also be making cornbread and pumpkin muffins to enjoy with our soup.

On Monday Nov. 25th families are invited to attend our Thanksgiving feast. We will have some songs and poems to share with you and then we will enjoy our yummy stone soup. Please join us in room 6 at 11:30!

SJV will also be holding a food drive this month to benefit St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank. We are looking for non-perishable food items if your family can contribute this year. There will be a drop off box outside our classroom. Thank you!!

Friday, November 29th will be a day off from preschool for the Thanksgiving holiday. I hope you enjoy that special time with your family.

I am **so thankful** for each and every one of the special children that are in our classroom. I truly enjoy coming to school to see them every day!

Sincerely,

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