



KIDS FIRST NEWPORT NEWS



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Room 4 – Under the Sea

Greetings from Under the Sea! October was a fun-filled month with so many exciting things. First of all, we welcomed Hayden and James who moved up from the Wild Kingdom and they're adjusting wonderfully. Birthday shouts go out to Trevion and Dakota. Happy Birthday!!

Under the Sea enjoyed making spiders out of the number 8 to learn that spiders have eight legs, as well as to learn to count to eight. We also made cats, went trick-or-treating at Lindley Health Care and had a Halloween party, thanks to our wonderful parents.

As always, your children are continuing to do well and aiming towards their goals. It is a pleasure working with your children and we appreciate having the opportunity to see them do so well. As a reminder, please make sure your children have warm clothing as we enter the winter months. Thank you from Under the Sea.



Room 1 – Busy Bugs

Time sure flies by when you're having fun! And with all the treats October had, how could we not have had fun? We've learned so much about Fall, pumpkins, Halloween and Harvest. We've also welcomed a new friend, Zayshawn, who is doing very well at adjusting to his new friends.

We had our Fall Festival this month which everyone was so excited about. We started the day off trick-or-treating and the day with a party full of goodies. Everyone looked so cute in their costumes. Will was dressed as a monkey, complete with a stuffed banana. Davis was Simba the lion and Wesley was another favorite TV character, Spongebob. Kayson made an adorable Dracula while DJ and Ryder were superheroes!

As the weather continues to get colder, please be sure to send a jacket so we can continue to play outside. We appreciate your help and involvement. Thank you!

Room 2 – Mother Goose Nursery

The Nursery had a fun, exciting October. We talked about fall and decorated leaves with tissue paper. We talked about pumpkins and made finger print pumpkin patches. We also made bats and pumpkins to decorate our room for our Fall Festival. We enjoyed our party and trick-or-treating at Lindley Nursing Home. Thank you parents for helping make our party a success. In the past month we welcomed some new faces. L'Tayvia, Nancy, Jaylen and Johzara started and are making new friends. Every day is an adventure for the Nursery crew. Sara and Mckenzie enjoy climbing through our low shelf with their dolls. Kevin enjoys cruising the room on the furniture. Paris waves at anyone she sees (possible future pageant queen?). Jacavion and Bryce like to sing. Hannah and Saniya are getting better about using their spoons at meal time. Ja'Kalen likes to play with the big balls in the playroom. Nevaeh is taking a few independent steps across the room. This month we will be talking about harvest and Thanksgiving. Thank you parents for letting us be part of your children's lives.



Room 3 – Farm Animals

October sure flew by with all its festivities! With fall weather being in the air we've sure learned a lot about it! We've also learned about pumpkins, Halloween and Harvest. Our children have been doing such a great job with their goals. They're growing up so fast! To celebrate all we've learned we had our Fall Festival last Friday. We ate treats, went trick-or-treating at Lindley, and of course, were dressed up for it all! For those who couldn't bring costumes, we improvised so no one was left out. Justyce was a beautiful buzzing bumblebee and Talijah was a Dora the Explorer Princess. Jeremiah was Spiderman and Deangelo was a perfect little puppy. Semaj came as a strong Army man and Joshua was the ever so famous Spongebob. Johrie was excited to be a fireman, complete with jacket and hat. Elijah was the winner for the best homemade costume, with his cute clown outfit. Everyone looked so good in their costumes. You could tell they loved every minute of it. We would like to welcome Zahara to our class this month. She has been doing exceptionally well at adjusting to her new friends. Please remember as the weather continues to get cooler to send a jacket with your child. Thank you!

Room 5 – Wild Kingdom

October meant Fall themes in the Wild Kingdom. We enjoyed pumpkins, Halloween (BOO), Fall trees and Harvest. Samantha, Tristen, Jarviyon, Gunner and Laishawn, made color leaves on trees with the group and all enjoyed our new “Leaves are Falling, Leaves are Falling” song. Braniya, Terrance, Johrod, Hayden and James loved the pumpkins and jack-o-lanterns. We all enjoyed seeing the room transform and come to life just in time for Halloween. Hayden and James moved up to the older room as Israel was welcomed in. We enjoyed seeing the grandmas and grandpas at Lindley Nursing Home. Thanks to everyone that made our Halloween party a special treat. Harvest is on its way. This month we will talk with the children about what we are thankful for.



ENJOY BREAKFAST WITH MRS. SANTA CLAUS Saturday, December 3rd at 9:00am at the ASU Newport Student/Community Center. Children should bring their letter to Santa and the elves will help them decorate an envelope so that Mrs. Claus can deliver it. Registration begins November 7 and is open to the first 100 registered. Children age 4-8 only!

**FROM THE NURSE’S CORNER:
WHAT IS GERD
(GASTROESOPHAGEAL REFLUX DISEASE)**

GERD occurs when the muscle at the end of a baby’s esophagus doesn’t function properly and doesn’t prevent the contents of the baby’s stomach from backing up in to the esophagus. This causes a burning sensation in a baby’s chest and/or throat. Classic symptoms are vomiting, poor weight gain, heartburn, and excessive crying and respiratory problems. Most babies outgrow it by the age of 1. This condition can usually be controlled by doing the following:

1. Thicken the milk with small amounts of baby cereal as directed by your pediatrician.
2. Avoid overfeeding or give smaller feeds more frequently.
3. Burp the baby frequently.
4. Leave the infant in a safe, quiet, upright position for at least thirty minutes following feeding.

Project Nurture

Nurturing Idea for November

Teaching Thankfulness

There are many little things you can do every day to teach your child to be thankful. Let him hear you thank the cashier at the grocery store and the worker at the drive-thru window. Thank him for any acts of kindness he may show throughout the day, or simply for following your directions. Or maybe work together on a thank you card or small gift for a relative or friend of the family.



WHAT IS PROJECT NURTURE?

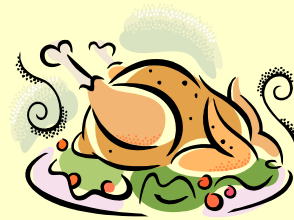
Project Nurture is KIDSFIRST’s Infant Mental Health Program. Our goal is to promote the social and emotional well-being of KIDSFIRST infants, toddlers, and families through secure and nurturing relationships.

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CLINIC OF JACKSON COUNTY

The vision of this clinic is to try to meet the medical needs of uninsured adults 19 and older that have no other place to go for medical care. With the help of volunteers from the community, the mission of the clinic is to provide quality health care with spiritual support to those who are not being served by other means. The Clinic is open the fourth Thursday of each month from 6:00 PM until the last patient is seen. Clients register on the Tuesday before Clinic between 12-6 in the Clinic Building located in the Annex of the Umsted Memorial United Methodist Church at 213 North Cedar in Newport, across the street from Darling’s.

WE WILL BE CLOSED

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH AND FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH FOR



Thanksgiving