



Centreville Preschool, Inc.

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President's Corner

As we approach the holiday season please be sure to keep abreast of our calendar for student holidays. This month there are several holidays: a student holiday November 2-3 (which coincides with Fairfax County teacher work days/election day), and Thanksgiving break November 25-27. You can find our school calendar posted on our [website](#).

We have many exciting things to look forward to in the coming months. Orders for the Mixed Bag fundraiser are due Wednesday, November 4. We have our student pictures (November 18 & 19) which is always exciting to see if our kids will smile or not. In early December we set up a little shop upstairs and allow the children to do their holiday "shopping" for anyone and everyone on their list! We have items for parents, grandparents, siblings, family, friends, and yes....even pets! The kids really enjoy choosing their own gifts to give, and often have a hard time waiting to tell you what's inside! We are looking for volunteers to help our littler shoppers. If you can help the children choose and wrap gifts, please [sign up here](#).

Please be sure to check the maintenance section of this newsletter for our Cleaning Party Announcement! In order to keep the germs at bay and our kids healthy and happy throughout the year, each class takes a turn cleaning the toys used in the classroom each day. A schedule and all the information is included here and will be sent home in your child's tote!

As Fall continues, and we find ourselves in the midst of another cold and flu season, I would like to remind everyone that if your child is showing signs of an illness, please keep them at home until they are feeling better. If you have questions about CPI's sick policy feel free to contact our Health and Safety Chairperson, Kristi Lalli at kristilalli@gmail.com. As a general rule, remember that any child with a symptom accompanied by a fever should be kept home until the fever passes, and then an additional 24 hours past that fever-free without medication. With the holidays approaching and families planning to travel and celebrate, let's do our best to keep everyone happy and healthy through the fall.

Sincerely, Kelly

Chalkboard, October 2015
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Classroom News

Great Beginnings

Our Beginner's class is doing great! We enjoyed learning about fall, spiders, pumpkins and Halloween in October. We had Fitness Day early in the month; we have some superfast runners in our class. Thank you to all the parents who came to our Halloween Parade!

November is a busy month. We will learn about squirrels, scarecrows, owls, Thanksgiving and fruits & vegetables. We will continue to go out on the playground every day, weather permitting.

Three's Company

October was such a fun and busy month. We wrapped up our color unit, worked hard on Fitness Day, learned about autumn and all the changes it brings, and had lots of fun preparing for Halloween. The parade was a highlight for all children. The children were so excited to wear their costumes to school!

The children have really enjoyed our sensory activities. A few favorites include play dough, corn, beans, and of course, the rice table.

In November we will talk about turkeys, Native Americans, and Thanksgiving. We will also enjoy learning about vegetables and snacking during our school wide "Veggie Day."

All Aboard Fours

November is a month dedicated to learning about the early Native Americans and what their day may have been like. We start with the Northwest then move to the Plains, the Southwest and find our way to the Northeast. There will be a special day when I will bring in artifacts and present them in a story to all the 4's. Being November, we will also talk about the Pilgrims and wind down the month in Thanksgiving style, wearing the Indian costumes we made and sharing food with our classmates. More information about this will come from your teachers as the time draws near. Wishing you all a Wonderful Thanksgiving Season!

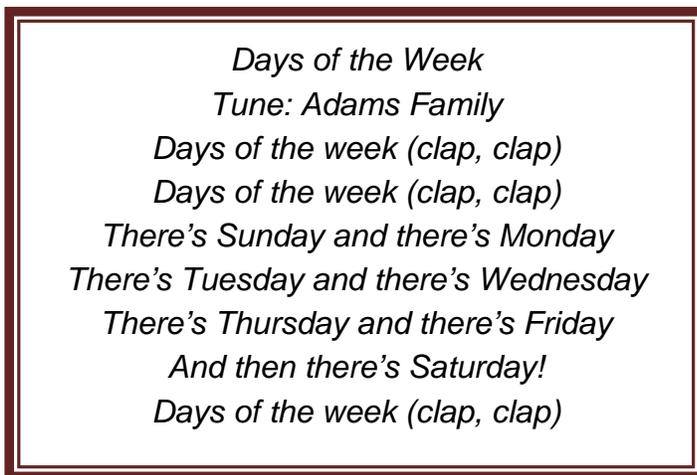
November Song
Tune: Are you Sleeping?

It's November, It's November
Thirty days; thirty days
Bringing us Thanksgiving; Bringing
us Thanksgiving
Gobble, gobble, gobble
Gobble, gobble, gobble.

The Pre-K Post from Colleen

We are having a great start to the school year in our Pre-K class! The kids are all getting to know one another and the other teachers among all the afternoon classes and things are falling into place nicely. We are successfully completing our own activities upstairs, as well as having the opportunity to participate with the other classes downstairs. We also celebrated our first birthday this month...happy 5th birthday to Michael!

In Pre-K, we've played lots of games working on numbers and letters, as well as some graphing and patterning. We've talked about and sung silly songs about shapes, made our own play dough, and have practiced writing numbers and letters on our whiteboards.



The students have been doing lots of imaginary play, as well as painting and digging in the rice table. September and October have been filled with activities related family, shapes, fall, farms, crops, and Halloween. Our two "Fitness Days" were a hit with the kids. We had great weather and the kids got plenty of exercise while having lots of fun together.

Our poem for October was "Five Little Pumpkins Sitting on a

Gate." Have your child sing it to you!

November will be all about the forest and Thanksgiving. We will study animals, trees, and leaves, and take a short "hike" or two to collect and examine different parts of nature at this time of year.

A big thanks to all parents for coming in, helping out, and playing along! It's great to see how excited and proud the kids are when you are there!

Creative Kids

Hello Everyone! Our Fall activities will include: Monoprints, Fall collages, Fall Trees (using process art), painted leaf prints, colored pasta Fall trees, shimmer tissue paper leaves, Celluclay harvest bowls, and clay turkeys.

Our sensory activities will be: A Fall Sensory Bin, Spices Sensory Bin, Pumpkin Play Dough and Clay. Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!

School News

Cleaning Parties

In order to keep the germs at bay and our kids healthy and happy throughout the year, each class takes a turn cleaning the toys used in the classroom each day. Please find your child's class and date listed below. Cleaning parties are held Saturday mornings 9am-Noon (approx.) Each family is asked to fulfill this duty as part of their co-op agreement with CPI. If you are unable to make your assigned date you will need to make arrangements to attend on another date. For questions or if you need to change your date please contact the Cleaning Party Scheduler at Dana Paz at dfmcmillen@yahoo.com.

November 21	Kinn 3/s T/Th AM
January 9	Jones Pre-K and Boles 4s M/W/F PM
February 20	Rosener 4s M/T/TH AM
March 12	Carroll 4s M/W/F AM and Steinhilber 3s W/F AM
April 9	Boles 4s M/W/F PM
May 21	Kinn 3s T/TH PM and Steinhilber 3s M/W/F PM

Enrollment

Enrollment applications for returning CPI students for the 2016-2017 school year will be sent home via totes the first week of January 2016. Please return them via the US Postal Service beginning January 12, 2016, but no later than January 23, 2016. Returning student enrollment will be used to determine how many openings remain for our Open House on Saturday, January 30, 2016. Registration opens to the public on Monday, February 1, 2016. If you have enrollment questions, please call Karyn Miller at 202/320-9804 or e-mail us at register@centrevillepreschool.com for more information.

Recess

We will continue to go out on the playground every day, weather permitting. So please dress your child appropriately and label coats, hats and gloves.

Keep Children Home

Please remember that children exhibiting any signs of illness (runny nose, fever, coughing, vomiting, diarrhea, communicable disease symptoms) are too sick to be attending school. It is best to keep them at home where they can recover quickly while reducing the spread of disease to other children, parents and teachers.

Reportable communicable diseases (refer to the [Parent Handbook](#) for a complete list) must be reported immediately to the Director of Health and Safety, Kristi Lalli at 703-818-0575.

Sick Child & Absentees

If your child will miss school due to illness or other reasons, please contact their teacher directly or call and leave a message at school (703)830-5656.

Rent CPI

Did you know that you can rent the school building for your own events and gatherings? For \$100 you can use the building for 5 hours. This includes the playground, building and access to materials and supplies throughout. Contact the school office for more information, or to book your next birthday party or family event with us!

Tuition Information

Tuition is due on the first day of the month. Late fees will automatically be assessed on all late payments. Additional tuition coupons are on our website at www.centrevillepreschool.com. Please drop your tuition at the preschool in the locked tuition box located inside the visitor's entrance. Or mail your payment to:

Attn: Accounting Clerk, CPI, PO Box 253, Centreville, VA 20122

Do not send tuition via tote bag! Tuition should NOT be mailed to the school's street address and NOT be placed in the "information box" located outside of the school. Tuition checks need to be placed INSIDE the school building.

CPI Board Meeting

The next CPI Board meeting is Tuesday, November 17th @ 7pm at Centreville Library. All board meetings are open to parents and participation is encouraged. If any parent would like a copy of the meeting minutes, please contact Andrea McCoy, board secretary at secy@centrevillepreschool.com

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Mixed Bag Designs Campaign

Thank you so much to everyone who has worked so hard on our Mixed Bag Designs fundraiser. Please remember that all final orders are due by November 4th! You can place your orders at mixedbagdesigns.com/order and remember to use our school code: 341973.

Chipotle Spirit Night

Yes! CPI is hosting a Spirit Night at Chipotle! Please join us November 16th, at Chipotle from 5pm-8pm to help raise money for our school. The address is 14416 Chantilly Crossing Ln, Chantilly, VA 20151. All you have to do is tell the cashier that you are there for the Fundraiser and 50% of the proceeds will go to our school. Hope to see you there!

Holiday Shop

Mark your calendars and keep an eye out for more information on one of our favorite events, CPI's Holiday Shop. Our Holiday Shop is a great chance for your children to shop for parents, siblings, even grandparents, and will be held on December 2nd and 3rd. If you would like to volunteer to help, setup, breakdown, or help kids pick out presents during class you can sign up through [Sign Up Genius here.](#)

November:

- 1: Tuition due
- 2-3: No School (Student Holidays)
- 4: Mixed Bag Design orders due
- 16: Spirit Night @ Chipotle
- 17: School Board meeting @ 7pm
- 18/18: Student pictures
- 25-27: No School (Thanksgiving Holiday)

December

- 1: tuition due
- 2/3: Holiday Shop
- 14: Holiday Babysitting
- 14: Winter Break Begins
- 15: School Board meeting @ 7pm

Looking Ahead:

- January 4: School Reopens
- January 18: MLK Holiday
- January 23: Enrollment application due for 2016-17 SY.

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