

ROCKLEDGE MONTESSORI NEWS



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October 7

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MIXED BAGS

FALL FUNDRAISER

Kicks Off October 7

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Friday, October 14

Teacher In-service Day

No School for 3-6 & VPK Class

After Care for Full Day Only
Toddler Program as usual

October 31

Naranja y Negro / Orange & Black Day

Wear something orange
or black!



The Wonders of Autumn



Administrator's Notes

Is your child coming home speaking Spanish and/or wanting to teach you sign language? Be sure and look for a handout this month on "Los Animales," encouraging your child's enthusiasm of learning a new language.

We may not have the flaming display of autumn leaves, but even in Florida, fall is an exciting and colorful time! The children and staff are ready for some cooler days and more time to do fun outdoor lessons and gardening.

In October, we will kick off our Mixed Bags Fall Fundraiser. These products have been extremely popular the last few years, and the company has again added more useful products for all ages. These will make great gifts for the coming holidays and all year round!

We welcome Claudia Richard to our staff as After Care Teacher. Claudia comes to us with excellent credentials and lots of fun ideas she is enjoying with our After Care students.

We've had a few requests for a student directory. We don't offer student directories for our preschool as it is not age appropriate. If you have other questions or concerns, don't hesitate to call or stop by the office. We appreciate your

questions and concerns.

Don't forget that you can now read the newsletter on our website and send the link to friends and grandparents when your child's photo is in it.

Cindy Maslin, Administrator



Above: Jesse works on his nature journal



Mrs. Mamma's class paints a rain barrel for watering the gardens

COMING UP IN NOVEMBER

- NOVEMBER 11—
Teacher In-Service Day & Parent Conferences for 3-6/VPK
- NOVEMBER 22—Family Thanksgiving Celebration & Pot-luck lunch
- NOVEMBER 23—
Grandparents Visit for 3-6 AM class; EARLY DISMISSAL 11:30

A Season of Celebrations Begins

Rather than observing Halloween here at Rockledge Montessori, we celebrate the season of fall in October. October 31st will be Naranja/Orange Day. The children will wear the color orange - or naranja - and share a tasting snack of orange foods.

November 22nd, we will celebrate Thanksgiving school-wide with our families for our 6th Annual Thanksgiving Family Celebration and Pot Luck lunch. Watch for details coming home in November.



Gabriella completes her "Parts of an Apple" booklet

Mrs. Fraleigh's 3-6 & VPK Classes



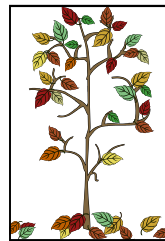
Delaney & Jules enjoy a healthy snack; Joseph & Brianna at the Forum



Our afternoon class read Vacation under the Volcano by Mary Pope Osborne during September, which took us to Greece and Italy. We learned about life in Ancient Rome, tunics and togas and who wore them, and about the Forum. We created an art gallery of mosaics and made a volcano erupt! The children are enjoying their Magic Treehouse adventures; they are learning about geography, history, civilization, how to discuss important topics, increasing their vocabulary, and expanding their range of experiences, while having great fun learning and

developing a love of reading.

We also learned much about our five senses, the food pyramid and good nutrition, the parts of an apple, and sewed felt apples. In October, we will be learning the parts of the body, parts of the skeleton and the life cycle of a pumpkin.



Please see Mrs. Mammay and myself to sign up to bring orange snacks for Negro y Naranja Day on October 31, and wear something black or orange!



Chloe gives a speech at the Forum on why we go to school

Mrs. Mammay's 3-6 & VPK Classes



We welcomed Jacob to our class in September! We painted our rain barrel and began Show & Tell. And we welcomed fall with an apple-tasting event and learning the parts of an apple.

In October, we will be learning about Christopher Columbus and his voyage. We'll toast and taste pumpkin seeds. Along with Mrs. Fraleigh's class, we'll be busy helping to build a butterfly

garden. We'll also learn about how plants grow, and sprout our own pinto beans.

Donations of any extra plants you may have in your garden to add to our butterfly or other gardens are welcome and much appreciated!

Photos: Jacob does a meticulous job with dry transfer work; Chaehynn works with the movable alphabet



Mrs. Brown & Mrs. Smith's Toddler Classes



Kate & Caleigh enjoy snack time together and learning about healthy foods

We welcomed Nicolas to our Two Year class in September, as Jacob moved up to Mrs. Mammay's 3-6 class.

During October, both toddler classes will focus on the color orange, the triangle shape, and the number 3. We are also looking forward to spending more time outdoors celebrating the fall season, looking for autumn leaves and acorns on our nature walks around the school grounds. And we will learn about the different sizes and colors of pumpkins and taste a pumpkin pie. Don't forget to wear something orange on October 31st!

Right, Chance & Zavier have a grand time parading around the courtyard in their blue dot hats!

