



Valley Quail Newsletter

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General Information

Thank you to Karen (Eli's mom) for manning a station at our Antarctica Mini-Continent Party.

Another thank you to Kimberly (Julianna's mom) for helping us create beautiful squash crafts!

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More thanks to go around

Wish List Items

Plain, white napkins for snack time
(Please remember to turn in receipts for all donated items so that I can sign them, turn them into the office and you can log them as parent hours.)

Dates to Remember

November 8th

Room Parent Meeting, 6:00 pm

November 11th

No School or Club M

November 16th

North America Party
(Volunteers Needed)

November 17th

Stone Soup Preparation
(Volunteers Needed)

November 18th - Minimum Day

Stone Soup Feast
(Volunteers Needed)

Curriculum and Instructions

We have jumped into studying our own continent - North America! We will discuss native people, Thanksgiving traditions, as well as our neighboring countries to the north and the south of us. On the 16th we will have another mini-continent party and eat Stone Soup on the 18th after preparing it on the 17th. Next week, I will assign each family one soup item to be brought in. The story of Stone Soup shows that small contributions from many people can add up and feed many people.

Exciting news on the walking stick bug front! A baby walking stick was discovered in our cage just days ago ... so far only one. Hmm. I have a sneaking suspicion that there will be more ... lots more. How do you feel about walking stick bug holiday presents?
Just kidding - kind of.



Miscellaneous

Harvest Festival

A huge thanks to all who helped out at the Harvest Festival. The booth was completely manned the entire day and children happily created their colorful, glittery stamped art. I want to thank each of you for contributing your time and your supplies. I hope you enjoyed your day!

Reptile Show

It was fun seeing so many families at the Reptile Show. I even ran into some of my students from last year who are now making it a part of their annual outings. I caught up with most of you, but there were a few of you I did not find. I hope you can attend next year. This is my 9th year going, so it is certainly a tradition for me!

I purchased some new frogs and a new flat-tailed gecko. I will be bringing them into the class when we get to studying amphibians and lizards. I am excited to share my wonderful creatures!

