

THE EAGLES NEST

MEI Preschool --- Parent Newsletter
(NOVEMBER 2011)

Our focus this month will be forest animals;
bears (real and story bears), **mice** and other forest animals.



By the end of this month we will have learnt about the food that real bears eat, where they live and what they do in the fall to get ready for their long winter's nap. We will eat "bear food", sing songs about bears, play bear games, hide out in the "BEAR CAVE", hear bear stories, and more.

We will also learn about mice - which are much nicer when they are kept in books and stories (rather than running through our houses.)



Teddy Bear's Party (and pajama day)

Thursday, November 10 --- will be the day of our teddy bear's picnic! Your child is welcome to bring along their favourite stuffed animal, preferably a teddy bear. Our party will include all kinds of bear and party activities (party hats, songs, games, stories and of course food.)

Don't forget to send your child in pajamas on this day!

Pajama Days are inside days --- We will not go outside to play in our pajamas

BROWN DAY - Tuesday, Nov. 8

Please encourage your child to:

1. **Bring** an object that is Brown.
2. **Wear** something that is the colour Brown.
3. If possible bring a snack that is Brown. --- be creative.

Please put it in the "**Home/School Traveling Bag**" bin so it is ready for showing at "Welcome Time".

Teddy Bear

Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear turn around,
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear touch the ground.
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear show your shoes,
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear that will do.

Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear go up the stairs,
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear say your prayers.
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear turn off the light,
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear say good night.

BEAR -y Hearty Reading!

The "Apple Tree Reading Charts" have just gone home with your child! Enjoy reading together. When your chart is complete return your Reading Chart and we will give you a special certificate for a treat to eat at **Muggs Coffee House**.

If you don't have many books at your home we would encourage you to take a trip to the public library. This is a place where you can borrow books for **FREE!**

The "**FALL TREE READING CHARTS**" will be sent home with your child at the end of November.



Entertainment Book Fundraiser

Thanks again to all the families who sold the Entertainment Books. We have made over \$1000 on this fundraiser. For every 3 books each family sold their name was entered in a draw for a gift certificate (as well another entry was put into the draw for every book sold, after the first 3.)

The winners are:

Daniel M. --- \$50 gift certificate to Red Robin Restaurant
Jacob E. --- \$40 gift certificate to Eleni's Greek Restaurant
Abigail O. --- \$30 gift certificate to House of James

♥ Thanks to all the parents who have worked with us at the preschool.
Your assistance makes it possible for us to do so much more in our classes.

We welcome parent help at preschool on any class day --- grandparents are welcome to help us as well.

Look for your class calendar and sign up to help us at preschool. ☺

Spare Clothing Bags (shirt, pants, underwear and socks)

Please check your child's backpack before you leave for preschool to ensure that their bag of "Spare Clothing" is still in their backpack. Some children find it uncomfortable to have to use clothing that is not their own - from the preschool supply box.

♥ As well, please update your child's spare clothing so that the items are suitable for colder weather. (Shorts and tank tops need to be replaced with pants and a long sleeve shirt.)

Christmas Party / Storytime

Thursday, December 15

ON THIS DAY ---

- ♥ Children arrive at the usual time - 8:40
- ♥ Parents return at 10:00 for the Christmas Party/Storytime
 - ♥ Each child is welcome to invite 2 guests to this party
- ♥ The preschool party / storytime will take place in the preschool.



The preschool classroom has limited space and does not allow for an unlimited guest list. Please help us by abiding with this expectation of just 2 guests per child. Thanks.

Hickory, Dickory, Dock (clap w/ each word)

The mouse ran up the clock (L arm straight up & run R fingers up L arm)

The clock struck 1 (over head, clap hands together once loudly over head)

The mouse ran down (R fingers run down L arm while saying words)

Hickory, Dickory, Dock (clap w/ each word)

Hickory, Dickory, Dock (repeat hand motions)

The mouse ran up the clock (repeat hand motions)

The clock struck 2 (clap twice)

The mouse said, "BOO!" (say loudly with hands cupped around mouth.)

Hickory, Dickory, Dock (repeat hand motions)

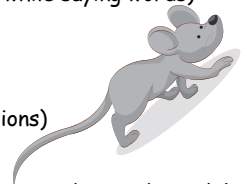
Hickory, Dickory, Dock (repeat hand motions)

The mouse ran up the clock (repeat hand motions)

The clock struck 3 (clap three times)

The mouse went Whee (slide R fingers down L arm fast while saying words)

Hickory, Dickory, Dock (repeat hand motions)



Have a BEAR-y good month,
From your child's preschool teachers,
Mrs. Stobbe, Mrs. Janzen,
Mrs. Raible and Mrs. Rogers