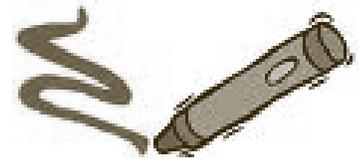


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The Pre-K

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Letting Children Choose

Why do we as adults pursue hobbies such as golf, croquet, or gardening? We spend time in such an activity because we find it enjoyable, we have some control over the activity, and we see it as offering some probability of success. We choose what we will crochet or



plant; we decide where, when, and with whom we will play golf or tennis.

Children, too, learn best when they have some control over their learning, when activities are meaningful and

relevant, and when they can make choices in the materials they will work with and how they will use them.

Children thrive when they have opportunities every day to make choices in their learning. We facilitate children's choices within a carefully planned environment. We create the environment to allow each child to choose activities that are developmentally appropriate for his or her age. The children choose the peer with whom they will work and play and usually determine how they will use the available materials.

These choices empower

children to take control of their own learning. Children use materials and equipment in far more creative and innovative ways than we could ever plan, and they use the materials in ways that meet their own developmental needs.

Research indicates that intrinsic motivation—when we work on task primarily because we find it satisfying—is the most effective and engaging way to learn. In this program we make an effort to provide materials and activities that provide choice and interest for the children. That's a key reason that you'll see busy, involved children when you visit the classroom.

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Important Dates to Remember:

- **November 4th-**
Mtn. View Fall Festival
5:00-9:00 pm
- **November 9th-**
Veteran's Day Program
- **November 10th-**
No School
- **November 22nd-25th-**
No School
Happy Thanksgiving!

Student Progress Report and Parent Survey

As we have just completed the first nine weeks of this school year, I would like to share your child's present level within our learning objectives of The Creative Curriculum for Preschool. I printed a report for you that contains all the developmental areas and the related curriculum goals. This report is for your reference only, to know more about how your child is currently doing in each area. You should find an envelope addressed to you, the parent(s), in your child's folder book today. This envelope contains your child's report marked for the Fall checkpoint period and a Parent Survey. I ask that you please review your child's report thoroughly. If you wish to meet for a conference to review the report in more detail, please let me know. I also ask that you take time to thoughtfully consider and complete the questions on the Parent Survey, in order to share with me how you feel your child is doing thus far, to share your satisfaction with the Pre-K program, and to express any questions, concerns, or suggestions you may have.

Scholastic Book Order

Today, you should find in the back of your child's black folder, three Scholastic Book Order flyers. These flyers are for November and December orders. I will only be placing **ONE** order for the two months in order to ensure that orders are received prior to getting out of school for Christmas break. I have already scanned the order forms and there is a good selection offered. Many of the items included would be great choices for Christmas gifts for your child! If the order you place is intended to be gifts, please let me know at the time of submitting the order form and payment and I will make special arrangements to get them to you without your child seeing the items. Please remember that we encourage you to read with your child at least twenty minutes each night, so having new book titles available at home may increase the excitement for your child!

All orders and moneys are due no later than Wednesday, November 15th.

Please send the appropriate cash amount with your order, as I will be placing the order with my personal debit card.