

Vestavia Hills Baptist Church

Child Development Center

NOVEMBER, 2017

From the Director's Office . . .

"I thank God" is a Bible thought your child will hear often during November, as we talk about things we are thankful for. You might even see a Pilgrim, an American Indian, or a turkey coming home one day! Look for our CDC turkey in the hallway and plan to add a 'thankful' feather!

The weather is changing so please remember to send jackets or coats. Outside play is an important part of our daily routine unless inclement weather prohibits us. Remember: LABEL! LABEL! LABEL your child's jackets!

Be informed! Check Daily Report Sheets, the website (www.vhbc.com/child-development), our Facebook page (VHBC Child Development Center), counter signs, and door signs.



With a thankful heart,
Ms. Jennifer

UPCOMING DATES:

November 5—Time change! Fall back one hour

November 6-10—Foodbank collection

November 21—Color Day

November 22-24—CDC Closed for Thanksgiving holiday

December 7—CDC Family Christmas Party

Classroom



Highlights!

Infant One

This month we are focusing on our Infant One classroom. Ms. Cheryl, Ms. Victoria, and Ms. LaShundra love and care for our youngest infants.

Providing a clean, safe, and happy environment each day is their goal.

The curriculum in the infant class is very sensory based—colorful pictures, toys, lots of singing and reading, and tactile opportunities as well.

Each child frequently hears that God made them unique and special and that He loves them. The CDC is very fortunate to have this wonderful teaching team in place to give our youngest children a great start!



"Dear Mom and Dad ..."



Why do I need to learn to be grateful?

- * When I practice gratitude, I have more positive attitudes toward others.
- * When I am taught to recognize my blessings, I develop a closer relationship toward those who help me.
- * When I express my gratitude by writing or drawing, I show more compassion, more positive social behavior.

How can you teach me gratitude?

- * Participate in the Thankful Turkey in the CDC foyer!
- * Let me 'catch' you being grateful—to your spouse, a store clerk, a neighbor.
- * Adopt a project with our family to demonstrate how to express gratitude for God's provision for our family.



"Give thanks to God"

Ps. 136:1

Love,

Your Child

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• **Julianne—11/19** •

• **Morgan—11/26** •

• **Kate—11/29** •

• **Ms. Tye—11/9** •

• **Ms. April—11/22** •

• **Ms. Terri—11/22** •



From Our Classrooms...



Infant I

What a fun month October was in Infant One. We looked at all the pretty colors of fall, touched leaves, smelled apples and looked at pumpkins at the Pumpkin Patch. We picked out our very own pumpkin. We had lots of fun!

We look forward to our November theme, "We Thank God." We are so thankful for your babies, and for the privilege of caring for them at our center. We want them to know how much they are loved by God, their family, and by their teachers.

We are so grateful for all the good things God has blessed us with and we want to wish you Happy Thanksgiving! We hope you are blessed with many happy memories this holiday.

~ Ms. Cheryl, Ms. Victoria, Ms. LaShundra

Infant II

We had a lot of fun in October. Fall is a beautiful time of year. We enjoyed rediscovering God's fall gifts with our class! We welcomed two new friends to our class, Neal and Caroline. We are so happy to have them!

It is hard to believe we are about to celebrate Thanksgiving! Our unit for November is "We Thank God." All month we will focus on being thankful for all that God has provided for us. Our class will hear that God has given them family, friends, food and clothes. They also will hear about God's love for each of them.

Thank you so much for entrusting your children to our care. We love them and enjoy taking care of them. Have a happy and blessed Thanksgiving!

~Ms. Laura and Ms. Edna

Toddler One

November is here! Can you believe it?! This month is Toddler One we will learn about sharing, cooking foods, The First Thanksgiving, senses, and colors and shapes. We have also planned STEM activities for our friends. Last month we wrote on daily sheets what STEM means and how there are so many STEM activities located on Pinterest or Google for infants and toddlers. We encourage you to try some at home!

This month we will be cooking and tasting several foods. (Check out our calendar!)

Our first month was great! All parents did such a good job with your child transitioning into our class. Yea!

Please remember to view our class calendar to see special days; and remember to bring your red bag to school everyday. Looking forward to an exciting month!

~ Ms. Kiara and Ms. April

Toddler Two

Toddler Two has been so excited about fall! We have been learning

about leaves, how they change colors and also how they fall off the trees. We had so many fun activities in the month of October. We had so much fun we did not realize November was right around the corner!

In the month of November we have a lot of fun plans. Our monthly theme is "We Thank God." we have so much to be thankful for so we will explore Thanksgiving, our senses, sharing, how to be thankful for families and friends, colors and shapes, tasting good food, and a Bible story on how to give thanks to God. So while you are home with your little ones, show how to be thankful for the family, friends, and good food!

Please remember to check your child's cubby for a seasonal change of clothes. Also watch for information on the classroom door!

~Ms. Roslyn and Ms. Charlette

Preschool Two

Wow how the time passes when you're having fun! We have really had a great first 2 months of the school year. We had so much fun learning about "God's Fall Gifts" last month. We went on a fall nature walk, felt the inside of a pumpkin and got a special visit from the Vestavia Hills Firefighters!

Our November unit is "We Thank God" and we will focus on all the things we are thankful for. We will talk about how God gives us many things such as our family, friends, food and homes. We will also compare the First Thanksgiving to our celebration today. Also, remember to check your calendar for upcoming events such as Color Day (11/21). Wear your favorite team's color! Remember we will be closed Nov. 22-24 and don't forget to change out your child's clothing for cooler days. Thanks!

~Ms. Cynthia and Ms. E'Dana

Preschool Three

As we welcome the month of November, we are reminded how important it is to be grateful for all the many things God has given to us—especially family. Therefore, our lesson unit is "We Thank God." In this, our class will discuss what it means to be thankful, and ways to give to others with a kind heart. We will also focus on learning about numbers in a variety of math activities. The week of the 6th will be our oral language week. Each morning during circle time, the children will assist Ms. Terri and I as we act out classic stories. It is going to be quite entertaining!

As always, check the calendar for upcoming events.

~ Ms. Niki and Ms. Terri

Pre-K Four

October was an exciting month! We had our first field trip and let's not forget—our Pumpkin Patch! The days are flying by.

November is a time to be more aware of God's love and care. Our class will learn that there is a special day we call Thanksgiving and that we thank God for our homes, food, and clothes. We will learn that there are many kinds of families and homes and that we each share responsibilities in their homes.

We will learn how important the church is to us and that a church is a special place where we learn about God and Jesus. They will also learn that their family and church love them very much.

Thank you, parents, for all you do to help us in class!

~Ms. Donna, Ms. Tye, and Ms. LaTasha



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Turkey Roast Potatoes/cheese Broccoli Rolls/Milk	2 Corn dogs Niblet corn Applesauce Milk	3 Sloppy Joes French fries Grapes Milk
6 Bar-B-Q Baked beans Applesauce Milk	7 Fish Sticks Cream potatoes English Peas Rolls/Milk	8 Chicken and Dumplings Diced peaches Rolls Milk	9 Beef & Noodles Green beans Rolls Milk	10 Ham Sandwich Sweet Potato Sticks Jello salad Milk
13 Ravioli Applesauce Rolls/Milk	14 Salisbury Steak Potatoes Broccoli Rolls/Milk	15 Hot dogs French fries strawberries Milk	16 Oven fried chicken Pinto beans Cornbread Milk	17 Grilled Cheese Chicken noodle soup Fruit Milk
20 Bologna sandwich Diced peaches Milk	21 Pizza Jello salad Carrot sticks Milk			
27 Hamburgers French fries Apple/Orange Milk	28 Chicken nuggets Potatoes Carrots Rolls/Milk	29 Meatloaf Mac & Cheese Field peas Cornbread/Milk	30 Yumbos Sweet Potatoes Mixed fruit Milk	