

A Caring Place Parent Bulletin November 2019

Dates to Remember:

November 11th- School closed Veterans Day

November 28th & 29th- School closed for Thanksgiving

Parents take note of the upcoming dates that the school will be closed.

Scholastic Book Club

Support Your Child's Reading Success! Did you know? Kids who read for just 20 minutes a day are more successful in school and life. Ordering from Scholastic Book Clubs is an easy way to find the best books that are just right for your child's grade and interests.

Here's how:

Order online at: scholastic.com/bookclubs

Class Code - Q3N9C

Order Due Date - 11/30/19

As soon as your order is delivered to our school, I will send it home with your child. Plus, every order you place earns FREE Books for our school to share. Thank you for your support and happy reading.

Pumpkin Pie Donations

The children will be having a Thanksgiving Turkey lunch on Tuesday November 26th. We are asking for pumpkin pie donations for their dessert. If you are interested in donating a pie, please see the sign-up sheet that will be posted later this month.

Ill Child Policy

Cold and flu season is upon us. Please take the time to review our Ill Child Policy found in our Parent Handbook pg. 13. You can find a copy on our website acaringplacekailua.com under the Parents tab. We are a private school and have formed our policies under the guidance of our Health Consultant. We ask that you please take note of your child's health each morning before dropping off to ensure that they are well enough to attend school. If they are at school and become ill, please be prepared to pick your child up promptly. We understand that leaving/missing work can be stressful when your child is sick and ask that you please be respectful when speaking with our staff. The health and wellbeing of the children and our staff is a priority here at A Caring Place.

**Bulletins, Lunch Menus, and School Calendars available at
acaringplacekailua.com**

Infant & Toddler

We are all looking for ways to keep ourselves and our children healthy during the cold and flu seasons. Adults don't usually catch as many illnesses as their little ones. Infants and toddlers simply haven't had the chance to build up their immune systems yet. Another reason small children catch more illnesses is their lack of the concept of personal space. They like to get right in each other's space, they are constantly exploring things by mouthing them, and they lack the ability to practice proper personal hygiene.

Here are some easy ways to combat germs:

- Wash your hands. Many viruses are spread through hand to mouth contact. Wash hands especially before meals and snacks, after diaper changing or potty use, and always for at least 20 seconds.
- Keep infant's hands tucked away. Infant's hands are so irresistibly cute. Adults and children want to touch, hold, and kiss them. Ask that anyone who holds your baby wash their hands, and encourage children not to touch infant's faces, pacifiers, or bottles.
- Dodge germs. Teach children to cough or sneeze into the crook of the elbow or back of wrist rather than their hands.

Toddler Too

The month of November we will be learning about Community Helpers. Our focus will be police officers, doctors, trash collectors, mail carriers, teachers, etc.... Please feel free to bring in story books, pictures, or other items relating to our curriculum. To end this month's curriculum, we will be setting up our annual food drive. All nonperishable food items will be donated to Hawaii Food Bank. Please place all items in the box located in the office. The last day of collection will be November 21st.

We have a few friendly reminders:

1. When signing your child in/out, **please check comment section for notes.**
2. Please label all children's clothing, including footwear.
3. If your child is in the process of potty learning, **please bring an adequate amount of clothing.** Also, it is important to dress them appropriately: shorts with buttons are very difficult for them to undue. Elastic shorts or dresses for girls always work best.

Miss Renee, Miss Tracie, and Miss Nat

Montessori 3-6 Program

October was a busy and fun month spent learning about community helpers, and Halloween. We would like to thank Finn's mom, Nicole, who came to circle time to share about her profession as a Registered Nurse in Labor and Delivery. The children enjoyed their visit.

November will kick off our yearly continent study, and we will begin our journey around the world in North America. Our focus will be on animals of North America and indigenous Native American Tribes. If you have any items relating to North America (books, pictures, etc...), please bring them in to share with your child's circle group.

In the spirit of giving, we will be doing a food drive for the Hawai'i Food Bank. The last day of collection will be November 21st.

Miss Liz, Miss Kalei, Miss Charynn, and Miss Miranda