

# **A Caring Place Parent Bulletin November 2023**

## **Dates to Remember:**

**November 1<sup>st</sup> - Parent Teacher Conferences no students  
(Infant Toddler Center open)**

**November 10<sup>th</sup> - School closed Veterans Day**

**November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> - School closed for Thanksgiving**

**Friday, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> Children's Christmas Party**

**\*\*\*\* 11:30 Dismissal All Programs\*\*\*\***

**December 25<sup>th</sup> -January 8<sup>th</sup> -School Closed Winter Break**

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

## **Drop Off & Pick up Reminders**

- We are located on a busy street. Please hold your child's hand when dropping off and picking up
- Please close the front door and always latch the safety gate. Do not leave this open.
- For children on the half day schedule, **pick up is promptly at 12**. Please be on time.
- The school opens at 8am and closes at 4pm.

## **Pumpkin Pie Donations**

The children will be having a Thanksgiving Turkey lunch on Wednesday November 22<sup>nd</sup> . 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.

## **Late pickups**

The school closes at 4pm. Please be here to pick up prior to closing time. There is a late pick up fee of \$15 for every fraction of 15 minutes you are late. Habitual tardiness can result in termination of services.

**Bulletins, Lunch Menus, and School Calendars available at  
[acaringplacekailua.com](http://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.
- Stay home when you are sick to keep others well.

## 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.

We have a few friendly reminders:

- Please label all children's clothing, and footwear.
- 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 undress. Elastic shorts or dresses for girls always work best. Footwear should also be easily removed to dress and undress.

## Montessori 3-6 Program

October was a busy and fun month spent learning about community helpers, and Halloween. Thank you to everyone who brought in treats for the goodie bags. 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.