

UTC Children's Center Newsletter November 2024

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UTC Children's Center at Battle Academy

Infants

Hello Families! My name is Ms. Sarah; I am so excited to be a part of your child's learning experience at the UTC Children's Center! Please keep an eye out for updates from me.

Ms. Sarah

Young Toddlers



BRRRRR! Or wait? Well, fall is still chugging along & we are going to keep exploring all about the seasons themes! Throughout November we will be engaging with more food and sensory explorations involving pies and corn, the color brown, and feathers! We will also be learning about families!

If you'd like to sign-up to bring in a corn related treat for our class, message us on Procare!

As the weather continues to change, please also keep an eye on your child's spare school clothes and accessories and update them for cooler temperatures :)

- Thank you! YT!

Older Toddlers



Thank you to all those who brought in fall fruits and vegetables for us. We enjoyed exploring them and tasting them!! For the month of November, we will continue to discuss fall. The Older Toddlers will enjoy nature walks to observe the changing trees, weather and environment. We will use these walks as an opportunity to collect fall nature materials to discuss and explore. Please feel free to take nature walks at home as well and bring in any materials you collect.

Thank you,

Ms. Amy

Preschool

Dear Parents,

For the month of November, we will be discussing how thankful we are, and we will be learning about caring, sharing and family.

The project for this year will be to focus on others. We have chosen to donate to Chattanooga Room at the Inn, which focuses on homeless women and children. More information to come!

Big shout out (THANK YOU) to Catoosa County Fire Explores for an excellent presentation on firefighting! I am so very proud of my grandson Aiden and his friend Thomas for teaching the children about firefighting and fire safety. The children had a great time!

I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Ms. Jean and Ms. Nardia



Pre-K



Happy November! Pre-K had a very fun October learning about apples and pumpkins. This month, we will dig into all things Fall! We will explore with leaves, rocks, and sticks and see what we can do with them. We will talk about gratefulness, and how to be caring. We will learn about woodland and forest animals. We are also excited to further develop our literacy skills by starting "Book Buddies" with the Young Toddlers class! Thank you as always for your support.

-Ms. Emma and Ms. J'Nisha

UTC Children's Center at Brown Academy Infants A



We hope everyone enjoyed our Nocturnal Animal party; we would like to send a huge shout out to all of you for bringing supplies and more importantly being there to enjoy the party with us! Next month we will start off talking about some great holidays: Día de los Muertos and Diwali, then we will move on to learning about harvest and families! Quick reminder that the Center will be closed on November 28th and 29th for Thanksgiving

Thanks for all that you do!
Katie and Tiffany

Infants B

In October we had so much fun learning about new fall topics! These include nocturnal animals, fictional creatures, leaves and various fall holidays! In November we look forward to learning about families, friends, and even more fall holidays! UTC Children's Center will close on Thursday and Friday the 28th and 29th of November for the Thanksgiving holiday!

Ms. Taylor and Ms. Ebony



Toddler 1

Dear Parents,

We had a blast this past month! Our friends enjoyed the nice weather by going on walks and discovering leaves. We covered the colors orange and black and learned about different fall activities! For November, we plan to continue the fun and learn about the color brown, gratitude, forest animals, and family! I'm looking forward to what this month brings!

The Center will be closed for Thanksgiving on Thursday and Friday, November 28th and 29th.



If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to us!

Thanks

Ms. Emily and Ms. Veronica

Toddler 2



Dear Toddler 2 Parents,

It is so hard to believe that it is already November! This month, we will be learning about thanksgiving, cooking, and manners. We always have such a good time with the cooking lessons – learning about following recipes, measuring ingredients, and (of course) tasting our creations!

Here are a few reminders for this month:

- We are required to spend one hour outside each day, weather permitting, as long as the temperature is over 32° F. Some days it is quite chilly. Please be sure to provide jackets, coats, or sweaters for your children to wear while we are outside.
- The UTC Children’s Center will be CLOSED on November 28th and 29th in observance of Thanksgiving.
- If your child is going to be absent due to travel or illness, please let us know by calling the center, sending a Procure message, or emailing Ms. Jennifer.



Thank you,

Ms. Jasmine and Ms. Jennifer

Preschool 1

Dear Preschool One Parents,

What a wonderful October! We had a lot of fun learning about shapes, things that go, pumpkins, and Halloween! The kids loved opening up a pumpkin to see the gooey mess that was inside and painting our class pumpkin. Our class Halloween party went great! We had lots of Halloween crafts that we made to decorate for our party, and we loved seeing each child’s costume. Thank you to everyone that brought treats and party supplies for our class party to make it great!



This November, we have lots of new things to learn about. First, we will learn about nocturnal animals like bats, owls, and raccoons. Then we will learn about being thankful and Thanksgiving. Throughout the month, we will also take time learning about and listening to Native American/Indigenous people’s stories. **As a reminder, the center will be CLOSED November 28th and 29th for Thanksgiving break.**

We look forward to a great month, and if you have any questions, please let us know!

-Ms. Ashley and Ms. Macaria

Preschool 2

Preschool 2 has so much fun learning all about trees, apples, pumpkins, nocturnal animals, and all things spooky during the month of October! During November, we will be learning about manners and Thanksgiving! Don't forget that UTCCC will be CLOSED Thursday, November 28th through Friday, November 29th for the Thanksgiving holiday!

Ms. Taylor



Pre-K

Dear Pre-K families,

What a great October we had, learning about fall, pumpkins, and imaginary creatures!

In November we will continue to study the fall season including Native Americans, Pilgrims, and Thanksgiving. More details to come!

UTCCC will be closed November 28-29 in observance of Thanksgiving.

Remember that we go outside twice a day unless the temperature is below 32 degrees or stormy. Be sure your child's extra clothing fits and is updated to reflect the cooler weather.

As always, please contact us with any questions or concerns. Thank you for all your support!

Ms. Shawn and Ms. Alice



Little Miss Mag at UTC

Infants A

Dear families,

I hope everyone had a fantastic October. We spent this month learning all about the shape, texture, and smell of pumpkins. We also learned about the circus. We use our fine and gross motor skills to pretend juggle and time tunnel. We practice our counting with a game of how many lions in the tent. We read *When Autumn Comes* and *There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Bat*.

In November we will talk about what we are thankful for and about the community that surrounds us.

We are also excited to wish our very own Gillian a very Happy First Birthday and for the arrival of our new friend Jude.

And as always if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me by email or phone. I hope everyone has a great October! Thank you!

-Ms. Shakira and Ms. Wallika



Infants C

Hello from Infant C LMM at UTC. The month of October has been a very fun month for the babies. We explored real pumpkins by touching and rolling them around the classroom. We also cut one open to feel the squishy inside! The babies also painted with fall leaves. We read books about fall and sang songs about fall as well. We talked about how the weather is changing along with the colors of the leaves while playing outside. If anyone needs anything or has any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Ms. Tavia



Toddler 1

Throughout October we had a blast in Toddler 1-A! As fall has officially started, we have been exploring the things outside that fall brings. We love the cooler weather and the falling leaves. As October ends and we go into November, we will continue to explore all things fall. We will explore pumpkins, apples and leaves. We will also continue to do many fall themed art activities. Our favorite right now is painting! Feel free to come inside our room, as we post most of the activities we do inside our classroom. As the weather is changing to fall, please remember to dress your child accordingly.

Ms. Lori & Ms. Tehya

Toddler 2



Toddler 2 Families,

We've had a blast during October exploring all things transportation! The children learned about different kinds of transportation, counted all the cars and trucks we see driving past the playground, played with new train, truck, and car toys, and explored the different aspects of transportation that interested them. Their favorite activities this month were exploring wheels with paint and playdough and building roads and ramps all over the classroom.

Next month we will continue exploring fall themes, focusing especially on the changing weather and colors we see outside. We will also expand on the children's interest in pumpkins and pumpkin patches by learning more about farms, fall harvest, and fall foods!

Some quick housekeeping: please make sure the clothes in your child's cubby are seasonally appropriate-time to switch out shorts with long pants! Please also remember we will be closed for Thanksgiving November 28 and 29.

Thank you!

Ms. Sarah and Miss Payton

Preschool

Hello, families!

We had a surprisingly good time this past month studying safety! Hopefully your children shared some of their knowledge with you over the last few weeks.

For November, we will begin our unit on families. We'll discuss who's in our family, where we live, and things we do with our families. If you could send in or email a photo of your families, that would be amazing! My email is dnw264@utc.edu.



REMINDER: The weather is getting chillier! Please send a jacket and make sure your child has a weather-appropriate change of clothes. We play outside every day when the temperature is higher than 32 degrees, accounting for windchill.

Thank you for all you do, and don't ever hesitate to reach out to me with questions or ideas!

Ms. Elisha and Ms. Andi

Pre-K



Pre-K is enjoying learning about all the things we see in the fall. Family fun and fall traditions are talked about and maybe new ones added. We are also learning about the letters F and G. We celebrate our classroom family in the dramatic play center with a family kitchen with baby dolls, highchairs, and cribs for the babies to sleep in. On the playground we enjoy leaf hunting and playing hide and seek pumpkins.

Apples are the star of the show this month. We will be graphing different colors of apples, how they taste, painting with apples, and making our own applesauce and apple pie. We also plan to pound a pumpkin, and after exploring the guts, roast the pumpkin seeds for a tasty snack. Parent involvement has been wonderful, sending in ingredients to make our own apple pies. When we are finished with our pumpkin, we will read the book, "Pumpkin Jack" and put our pumpkin outside to hopefully grow into a new pumpkin. We will also enjoy sharing a pumpkin pie that we all made and baked together.

Thank you to our families who sent in rice for our new sensory table. The addition of lemon and lavender essential oils (please make your essential oils are child safe before use) makes it a perfectly pleasing place to explore scooping, measuring and pouring. Parents, be sure to check your children's cubbies for whether appropriate changes of clothes. Thank you for all you do for the classroom and thank you for sharing this small part of their lives with us.

Ms. Beverly and Ms. Pearlene



Lunch Box Catering
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November 2024 Lunch Menu

27	28 Beef and Cheese Burrito Tator Tots Apples Milk	29 Beef Stroganoff Peas Bananas Milk	30 Creamy Chicken Brown Rice Casserole Green Beans Oranges Milk	31 Ham and Cheese Slider Carrots Bananas Milk	01 Chicken Patty on Slider Bun Baked beans Apples Milk	02
03	04 Turkey and Cheese Slider Sweet Potato Fries Apples Milk	05 Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Carrots Bananas Milk	06 Baked Ham Mac and Cheese Corn Oranges Milk	07 Chicken and Cheese Roll-up Pinto Beans Bananas Milk	08 Cheeseburger Slider Green Beans Apples Milk	09
10	11 Beef and Cheese Burrito Tator Tots Apples Milk	12 Beef a Roni Carrots Bananas Milk	13 Creamy Chicken Noodle Bake Peas Oranges Milk	14 Cheese Pizza Slider Green Beans Apples Milk	15 BBQ Chicken on Slider Bun Pinto Beans Apples Milk	16
17	18 Ham and Cheese Slider Baked Beans Apples Milk	19 Cheeseburger Mac Peas Bananas Milk	20 Chicken Alfredo Corn Oranges Milk	21 Turkey and Cheese Rollup Pinto Beans Banana Milk	22 Chicken Nuggets Biscuit Green Beans Apples Milk	23
24	25 Chicken and Cheese Roll-up Sweet Potato Fries Apples Milk	26 Baked Ziti with Beef Carrots Bananas Milk	27 Cheese Pizza Corn Oranges Milk	28 Thanksgiving	29 Holiday	30
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November VEG Lunch Menu

27	28 Bean and Cheese Burrito Tator Tots Apples Milk	29 Mushroom Stroganoff Peas Bananas Milk	30 Creamy Chickpea Brown Rice Casserole Green Beans Oranges Milk	31 Hummus and Cheese Slider Carrots Bananas Milk	01 Veggie Chicken Patty on Slider Bun Baked beans Apples Milk	02
03	04 Hummus and Cheese Slider Sweet Potato Fries Apples Milk	05 Spaghetti with Marinara Sauce Carrots Bananas Milk	06 Roasted Veggies Mac and Cheese Corn Oranges Milk	07 Spinach and Cheese Roll-up Pinto Beans Bananas Milk	08 Veggie Cheeseburger Slider Green Beans Apples Milk	09
10	11 Bean and Cheese Burrito Tator Tots Apples Milk	12 Black Bean a Roni Carrots Bananas Milk	13 Creamy Chickpea Noodle Bake Peas Oranges Milk	14 Cheese Pizza Slider Green Beans Apples Milk	15 BBQ Veggies on Slider Bun Pinto Beans Apples Milk	16
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