

November 2009

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Family Reminders:

- There are no NSD's in November.
- The coupon for the Dec. 4 NSD is due on Thurs., Nov. 19.
- Kidstop is CLOSED on Thursday & Friday, November 26 & 27 for the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Look for information and a registration packet for Winter Break in

your Family Folder during the month of November.

- Remember to call the site at 763-391-8415 to report any changes to your child's schedule; if they are ill, if they are leaving school early, if they are attending an after school program other than Kidstop.
- If you ordered

items from the Original Works, we expect them to arrive at Fernbrook on November 19.



Message from the Program Manager, Connie Thomas

It seems that from the day we are born we humans make a lot of noise about what isn't right. We may not always know why a baby is crying or upset but there is never any doubt when something is wrong. The truth is, babies make just as much noise when something is absolutely right and wonderful. I have never met an adult who can resist joining in when a baby is giggling and laughing out loud. We know that something is right. Perhaps one of the best things about the month of November is that this month gifts us with a chance to think about what is right more often than we think about what is wrong. Part of the wonder is that our focus shifts to people and relationships. Most of the breathtaking colors of October have faded by November and usually the breathtaking wonder of winter isn't here yet. We are left with one another and a holiday, a month, when wonderful energy is spent thinking about being thankful. Kidstop welcomes this month - when the only non-school days are at Thanksgiving and the focus is being together to enjoy every bit of sunshine and every moment together. Winter break will be here soon enough - for this month all of us at Kidstop are just thankful that we share our mornings and afternoons with your children and that we get a chance to welcome you and wish you well every morning and every evening. You are important to us and we hope it shows! Thank you for choosing Kidstop!

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.

*~John Fitzgerald
Kennedy*

Non School Days & Winter Break

There are no NSD's during the month of November. We are closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday & Friday, November 26 & 27.

We hope you enjoy this break with your family & friends.

Winter Break is coming up soon. Kidstop is open on the following days; *Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, December 21, 22, & 23, AND Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, December 28, 29, 30, & 31.*

You have already received a flyer about the Winter Break field trips in your Family Folders. Our field trip day at Fernbrook will be Wednesday, December 23. The children in grades K-2 will be going to Nick Universe at the Mall of America. The children in grades 3 to 6 will have a choice of either Nick Universe at MOA or Snow tubing at Wild Mountain.

Registration information will be in your Family Folder in mid November.



Thanksgiving

The Fernbrook Kidstop staff wish all our Kidstop families a safe and peaceful Thanksgiving holiday!

Kindergarten Notes

We've had a terrific month. We ended with two fun filled NSD's for the 1/2 day kindergartners. They went to the Children's Museum on one of the days and then had a pumpkin themed day at the site singing & dancing to pumpkin tunes and making pumpkin crafts.

As we look forward to November we will focus on Native Americans and their important contributions to our American culture. We will also spend time

learning about Veterans and their important contributions.

The K's will have an opportunity to share their own family customs about how each of us spends our holidays with family & friends.

We are planning a special afternoon on Friday, November 20 to learn about transportation with a guest visitor from Amtrak. More information about this fun after-

noon will be in your Family Folder closer to the date of the visit.



Lastly, we'll have fun during the rest of the month with turkeys & feathers & all things that gobble, gobble, gobble!