

Silent Auction and Starving Artist Bake Sale

September marks the month for a special project at CCDC: Silent Auction and Starving Artist Bake Sale. This was the second annual year for the project and it was a big success! Each classroom decorated their own canvas with a quote and a painting to match or describe their quote. Infants did a lot of painting with their feet to match quotes like "Your first breath took ours away" or "Let her sleep, for when she wakes, she will move mountains!" Toddlers had fun using paintbrushes, Early Preschool 3 got crafty with real pictures of their class, Preschool 1 made a Fall themed canvas, Pre-K 2 painted their hearts, and Kindergarten cut out several butterflies! The canvases were spectacular and each one had it's own special touch. Ms. Kat also displayed her artistic abilities and made a few canvases for the auction! There were also other goodies that were auctioned off: Ms. Nellie Sullivan made a few scarves, Ms. Karen May made a felt pizza set and a blanket! There were also many yummy treats to be purchased! The center raised \$990! \$640 went to the National Guard, \$125 went to the Special Olympics, and \$225 went to a charity for Cystic Fibrosis. A big thank you to everyone that was involved with this special event!



Classroom canvases and baked goods set up in the front lobby.



Welcome new students!

Infant 4

Quinton Perry

Toddler 2

Isabella Hong
Nathan Chandu

Toddler 4

Sophia Nicholas

Congratulations to all of those students that are graduating to the next level!

Toddlers to Early Preschool

Anand Neela (EP1)

Nithya Neela (EP1)

Early Preschool to Preschool

Arya Kullarwar (PS2)

Rithvik Varigonda (PS2)

Carson Kendall (PS2)

Ameya Singh (PS2)

Preschool to PreKindergarten

Serena Li (PK1)

Spotlight on New Staff

CCDC would like to welcome Miss Brittany Rea to Early Preschool 2! Her family consists of herself, her mother Tracey, her father Brent and her sister Taylor. They have always lived in Columbus and they are a very close family. They like to travel, camp, go boating, etc. Brittney attended Columbus East High School and graduated a semester early.



Miss Teddie with her Toddler students.

She has always loved kids and has had a good bond with those that she has babysat for or played with at family events...she is excited to focus her career on children! She enjoys spending time with family and friends, going on bike rides and hiking through the state park. She is interested in succeeding in life wherever it may take her. She mainly looks forward to having a good job, saving money and supporting herself!

Infants Inch by Inch

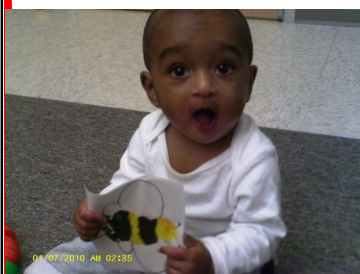


Infant 1 student pushing herself up.

Infants in Ms. Nancy and Ms. Sarah's Infant 1 classroom were very busy in the month of September! They have four infants trying to crawl. Grunting, fussing, and slobbering are all involved in trying to get around. There is also one

Infant 1 friend trying to walk...practice makes perfect! The babies also channeled their inner Picasso. They painted an apple picture with half an apple. It was tasty, messy and fun for all of the babies! The kids also made footprint bumble bees for their "Bb" board. The infants discovered that painting really tickles! The classroom was so happy to welcome Miss Sarah to their room. She rocks! Ms. Nancy and her infants would also like to welcome Miss

Heather to CCDC! They would also like to send out a thank you to everyone who has helped in their room!



Infant 1 student showing off his bumblebee!

Toddling Tots



Toddler 1 student getting her foot painted by Ms. Desi.

Toddler 1 was very busy in the month of September. The toddler wing welcomed both Ms. Desi and Ms. Chelsea to Toddler 1! The new teachers are loving their classroom and are getting to know all of the toddlers and their parents. The toddlers really enjoyed all of the fun art activities that were created during the month of September. Ms. Desi and Ms. Chelsea helped the students make

butterflies for the letter "Bb". Their class was able to choose a color of construction paper and also chose the color of paint that they wanted to use. The teachers painted the toddlers feet to make the butterflies and they loved it. The toddlers also liked making their own choices to make their butterfly unique with the colors they chose!



Toddler 1 student stamping her foot to make a butterfly.

Keeping Busy in Early Preschool

In the month of September Ms. Robin moved up to Early Preschool 1 from Toddler 2. She is getting to know the students and they are getting used to having a new teacher but they are loving each other! Ms. Robin introduced a new "Classroom Helpers" Chart. The students get to do "jobs" in the classroom like helping serve snacks and lunch, helping clean-up, be the Weather Person or the Teacher's Helper. This change really helped increase their independence and self-help skills. With the seasons changing the class went on a nature walk to collect things like leaves, twigs, and flowers. They used the items to make a nature collage. For letter "Aa" they made apple prints and counted apple seeds. They also practiced sorting objects by color. For



Early Preschool 1 student gluing leaves for the nature collage.

next month the teachers are going to work on recognizing letters with their students.



Early Preschool 1 student sorting objects by color.

Staff Birthdays

Nancy Johnson – October 1st
Megan Mullins – October 5th
Chelsea Hamm – October 12th
Anna Lamont – October 15th
Taylor Baker – October 16th
Lindsey Asher – October 31st

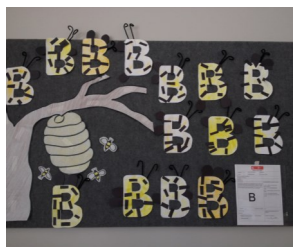
What's New in Preschool?

Preschool 2 was as busy as B-B-B-Bees in September! They made home made bread and also made butter to add to the bread. One of their art projects was making bats out of toilet paper rolls and construction paper. When you are walking by or into their classroom you can hear them singing "Zippity Do Da", "Little Red Caboose", or "John Brown"! When they studied the letter "Aa" the students discovered that they loved the song



Preschool 2 student's marching ants.

"The Ants Go Marching 1x1" and they loved eating ants (chocolate covered raisins). Everyone had wonderful manners when asking for more ants! They also made a pretend ant house to put the ants in. The students also made homemade



Preschool 2's letter "B" bumblebees.

applesauce on crackers, construction paper apples, alligators, and learned alligator songs!

Busy Pre-Kindergartners

Pre-K 1 had a lot of fun with letters "Aa" and "Bb" in the month of September! With letter "Aa" the students learned about astronauts and even made themselves into an astronaut. As a class they also discussed aquariums: what lives in an aquarium and also made their own aquarium with fish, seaweed, shells and puffy paint for water. Miss Kristi also had the students make Autumn cupcakes to enjoy for snack and sell at the Starving Artist



Butterfly life cycle made with pasta by Pre-K 1.



Bake Sale.

They were vanilla cupcakes, with vanilla frosting, drizzled with caramel and garnished with candy corn! Letter "Bb" was mostly about butterflies and the beach. The students

Pre-K 1 student playing in the beach sensory table.

learned about the life cycle of a butterfly: the egg, the caterpillar, the chrysalis and the butterfly. Miss Alisha read books about the butterfly and the students learned many interesting facts. Pre-K 1 also sat on the carpet with their eyes closed and imagined themselves at the beach. After that they drew pictures of themselves at the beach and wrote about their favorite beach activities!

The Kindergarten World Of Letter Recognition

During September, Kindergarten studied jobs that adults have. They looked at what people need to do for the job, what they need to wear and what materials they use. Each Kindergartener chose a job they would like to have when they grow up and wrote about why they would like to have that job. They also drew a picture of themselves doing their future jobs. They have a class full of future teachers, police officers, fire fighters, nurses, doctors, vets, pilots, and zookeepers!



Kindergarten student using the Chicka Chicka Boom Boom trees to spell words.

They have also been studying the alphabet, focusing on the book

Chicka, Chicka Boom Boom. Kindergarteners have been busy practicing reading letters, matching upper and lowercase letters and writing letters correctly – all skills they need to begin reading and writing in school! Some favorite activities have been matching coconut tree trunks to the tree leaves with the same

Kindergarten students matching letters on the trees.



letter. They also have been using the letters to spell short words in a coconut tree.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

October 7th – 11th (Fire Prevention Week) Firefighters will be visiting during letter "Ff" week to talk about Fire Safety for Preschool, PreK, and Kindergarten
 October 15th – Shireman Homestead: bringing Donkeys and a Duck
 October 31st – Happy Halloween!