

## Fire Safety for Letter "Ff"

Preschool, Pre-Kindergarten, and Kindergarten had a visit from two Columbus Firefighters on November 15th. The students gathered in the Commons at CCDC to learn all about fire prevention and fire safety. The firefighters taught the students how to stop, drop and roll and what to do if there is ever a fire at their house. The students learned they should always sleep with their bedroom doors shut and set up an escape plan with

*Firefighter showing Pre-K and Kindergarten how to stay low to the ground during a fire.*



their families along with a place to meet! Fire prevention was another topic that the firefighters covered...never play with fire or things related to fire such as matches. The students were able to ask and answer questions with the firefighters and even got to see a firefighter dressed up in all of his fire safety gear! The students loved the program and were also able to take with them firefighter badge stickers and coloring books to explain what they learned.



*Preschool student learning to stop, drop and roll.*



Welcome all new students to  
CCDC!

### Infant 1

Anika Khosla

### Infant 2

Samuel Pinkston

### Infant 3

Ojas Utkur  
Emma Whicker

### Infant 4

Eleanor Dawson

### Preschool Two

Ella Garrett



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

### Infants to Toddlers

Siu Lee (I1 to T4)  
Jocelyn Drehobl (I2 to T2)  
Carrington Milne (I4 to T1)

## Spotlight on New Staff

CCDC would like to welcome Ms. Donna Mills to the center! Ms. Donna is the new Preschool/Pre-K/Kindergarten Support Teacher along with Ms. Nellie Sullivan. Ms. Donna has two daughters and one son. She also has a granddaughter named Presley, who is three years old! She has worked with children for a total of 12 years. She has worked in the public school system and also at Busy Bees. She has her Associate of Science Degree in Early Childhood Education and is in the process of working on her Bachelor's Degree. Ms. Donna loves music and enjoys playing the piano. She also enjoys the Christian Ministry and she volunteers many hours monthly to this activity! She is looking forward to finishing her first writing of a children's story and wants to obtain her Bachelor's Degree in either Psychology or Early Childhood Education. We are very excited to have Ms. Donna as part of our team at CCDC!



*Support teacher  
Donna Mills*

## Infants Inch by Inch



*Infant 3 flowers for their letter "F" documentation board.*

The infants in Infant 3 are learning more and more everyday with Ms. Michelle and Ms. Erin! 3 babies in Infant 3 already eat table food and are working on drinking out of a sippy cup. Wow!! The babies painted different flowers

for their "F" documentation board! Infant 3's older

infants are practicing walking and getting better everyday! Infant 3 has also been blowing a lot of bubbles! Now that some of the children are more mobile, it is a lot of fun watching them chase after the bubbles! Infant 3 would also like to welcome the newest members of their class, OJas Utkur & Emma Whicker! Hudson Lane also celebrated his very first birthday on November 29th!



*Infant 3 loves blowing bubbles!*

## Toddling Tots



*Toddler 3 student enjoying a freeze pop for a letter "Ff" snack!*

Toddler 3 is in the spotlight for the month of December! They were very busy during the month of November with the letter "Ff". The students made freeze pops to enjoy for a fun "Ff" snack! They also made fans out of paper plates,

feathers and craft sticks.

For one of their documentation boards Miss Kara and Miss Chelsea

Painted their students feet and made flowers out of them! The toddlers love exploring paint, especially when it's on their feet! The class also talked about flags and made flubber using glue, water, Borax and food coloring. The students had fun with the experiment and loved the texture

of the result! To celebrate Thanksgiving all of the students made cards for the parents to wish them a Happy Thanksgiving Day!



*Toddler 3 student making her fan with feathers.*

## Keeping Busy in Early Preschool

Early Preschool 3 has been getting ready for the Fall and Winter weather. The classroom has it's own weather bear and the students have been practicing getting the bear dressed with the appropriate clothes for the activity and time of year. The students love choosing the clothes to go on the bear! To get into the fall season Miss Karen and Miss Cindy had their students explore fall leaves, they found caterpillars and also made pictures of fall trees. The class talked about how the leaves were all different colors and how they felt crunchy. EP3 students observed the caterpillars crawling outside and talked about their colors and what they looked like! For letter "Ff" the students planted a flower in their classroom. They observed the flower everyday and also measured it to chart it's growth. The students also painted with flowers for a fun Fine Arts activity.



*Early Preschool 3 students observed caterpillars.*

## Staff Birthdays

Debbie Combs—December 2nd	Cindy Reed—December 31st
Lesley Jacobs—December 3rd	Heather Spoonamore—December 23rd
Jennifer Crawford—December 5th	
Jennifer Gramse—December 15th	

## What's New in Preschool?

Preschool 2 enjoyed learning all about the letters "Ee", "Ff", and "Gg" during the month of November. The class made eagles out of the letter "E" and they also studied the planets and our Earth! Students even made their own Earth to hang on the display board in their classroom. They painted both "E"'s and "F"'s as a Fine Arts activity but for the letter "F" they used feathers!



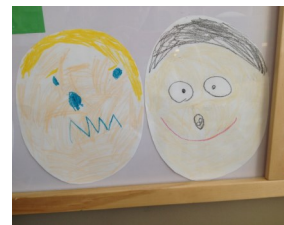
Preschool 2 students made their own Earth!



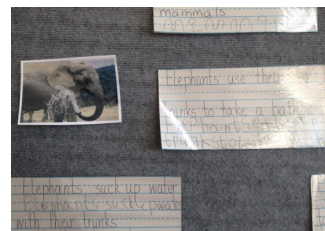
To celebrate Thanksgiving Miss Tracy and Miss Audrey helped the students make turkeys out of their hands and feet. To reinforce letter "Gg" the class made green shaving cream, giraffe's, grapes, used glitter in their art projects, and also enjoyed goldfish to eat for a snack! Preschool 2 is looking forward to some winter fun in December!

## Busy Pre-Kindergartners

PreKindergarten 1 had a busy month of November. The students worked hard on learning about the letters "Ee", "Ff", and "Gg". Letter "Ee" was all about elephants! Where do they live? What do they eat? The students even learned that elephants can swim! They made elephants out of paper plates and wrote facts about elephants to hang on the documentation board. Miss Alisha also discussed emotions with the students and they



Pre-K 1 face drawings with different emotions.



Pre-K 1 facts about elephants.

drew what their faces look like when they are happy, sad, excited, or frustrated. For letter "Ff" the students discussed family trees and that all families come from different places.

PreK 1 also learned about fire safety and enjoyed the presentation from the Columbus Firefighters. To celebrate Thanksgiving the class learned all about the First Thanksgiving...what happened at Plymouth Rock? Who was at the First Thanksgiving? The students also made turkey handprints to go along with a poem and turkey hats with feathers showing what they are thankful for.

## The Kindergarten World Of

In the month of November, Kindergarten has been very busy learning! The letters "Ee", "Ff", and "Gg" have been reinforced and the children have been exploring and doing lots of activities. For the letter "Ee", they froze an egg and observed that the egg expanded as it froze. What a cool experiment! Each child created their own family tree while studying the letter "F". Each child's picture was very unique and represented their families. Kindergarten studied the first



Kindergarten's "We are Thankful" turkey!

Thanksgiving and learned about the Pilgrims traveling on the Mayflower and starting their lives in America. They also chose five things they were thankful for and wrote them on feathers to make a classroom turkey. They enjoyed a Thanksgiving feast as a class during snack time! Kindergarten was also busy studying the habitats that birds live in, and made a pond diorama full of plants and animals they drew, and rocks and sticks they collected outside.



Kindergarten's pond diorama!

## Upcoming Dates to Remember

**December 2nd-6th:** Scholastic Book fair in front lobby

**December 10th:** Paths to Quality visit for CCDC

**December 9th-12th:** Kat's Art Auction

**December 13th-** All gifts purchased for "The Giving Tree" for the children in Concord are due

**December 16th:** Visit from Santa & Ms. Clause

**December 23rd – January 1st:** Closed for Christmas Holiday