



## **Giraffe Class News: Week of October 13 - October 16**

Dear Giraffe Families,

The students this week gave a warm welcome to Dominique coming back to The Children's Way after being home on maternity leave. We are all excited to have her back with us!

The Giraffe students have had a busy week of learning, exploring, and increasing their knowledge about fall! As we continued our theme of 'fall' over the past week, we geared our focus on apples this week. During circle time, the class participated in engaging activities such as singing the song "Way Up High in the Apple Tree" together, partaking in a survey about which colored apple was their favorite [red, green, or yellow], and reciting the poem "Eat an Apple". Afterwards, the giraffe class had a group discussion about the different parts of an apple, counted the seeds inside, and the sequence of how to grow an apple.

Activities are always a fun way for the students to express their creative side and form conversations with classmates about what they are doing. During table choice time throughout the week, the giraffe students could be found practicing their fine motor skills by picking corn kernels off of a dried out cob with their fingers; creating a fall collage using various patterned and themed material; using apples as painting utensils to produce imprints; stringing Cheerios through pipe cleaners to make bird feeders; and gluing pieces of tissue paper onto apple cutouts.

To continue our themed curriculum about fall, next week we will be gearing our focus towards pumpkins!

Friendly Reminders (if you have not done so yet):

- Family/ Individual photo
- Student's supply: glue sticks, crayons, and washable markers
- Extra water cups
- Appropriate weather attire (example: rain boot and rain jacket)

Sincerely,

Olivia, Jeanne, Dominique, and Carrie