



Giraffe Class News: Week of October 26 - October 30

Dear Giraffe Families,

We first wanted to say a special thank you to Mikey's family for bringing in a special birthday treat for him on Monday!

The Giraffe students had a fun week participating and creating in some Halloween themed activities and crafts! For table choices this week, the students had an opportunity to practice tracing lines with markers, writing the letters of their name in sand trays, planting and watering seeds, creating paper Jack-o- lanterns and spiders, and exploring in individual sensory bins filled with dried beans, mini spiders and pumpkins, and a small jack-o-lantern bucket. On Friday, everyone made a Halloween headband by decorating them with gems, halloween stamps and stickers, and sticker eyes. Friday was also the first snowfall of the school year so the students ventured out on a snow walk through the field!

During circle time the class participated in engaging activities together such as the "Halloween Freeze Dance", using their memory skills in a "what's missing" halloween guessing game, understanding the growth of a pumpkin in a sequencing chart, and a recalling details during an activity relating to the story Room on the Broom by Julia Donaldson. Other themed stories that were read during circle time were Trick-or-treat Little Critter by Mercer Mayer, The Garden That We Grew by Joan Holub, and We're Going on a Goon Hunt by Michael Rex.

Next week will be our final week of Fall themed curriculum as we gear our focus towards Harvest!

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

With the weather changing and we start our mornings outside, please send your child in warm layers, hats, and mittens. If there is rain or snow we also like to try to get out for a walk if we cannot go to the playground, so please send your child in with (or wearing) appropriate attire on those days as well.

Sincerely,

Olivia, Jeanne, Dominique, and Carrie