#### NOVEMBER 2023

# **LIBRA MONTESSORI** Highland Pre- School



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VEMBER

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

November Birthdays Rosalie 11/10 Nora 11/17 Ava 11/30

**Kindergarten Conferences** 11/14-11/15 (15 min. slots available before or after school)

> Naturescape Day Thursday 11/16

Thanksgiving Break No School 11/22-11/24

Book Orders Due Wednesday 11/8

## **A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS**

Our days in the classroom have filled with busy learners who are becoming confident in making choices, exploring materials, and then finding more lessons and activities to use! As they learn more about Maria Montessori and our classroom, they are eager to investigate all the parts in each curriculum area. The children are excited when they hear the words, "Would you like a new lesson?" and happily join a teacher to experience a new element of the classroom environment. The most heartwarming moments are when we hear a chorus of voices declaring, "I love school!"

"Travel stories teach geography; insect stories lead the child into natural science...The teacher, in short, can use reading to introduce her pupils to the most varied subjects; and the moment they have been thus started, they can go on to any limit guided by the single passion for reading." - Maria Montessori

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### **BOOKS AND POEMS**

In November

The Little Yellow Leaf

**Owl Babies** 

Leaf Man

'Thanksgiving'

The Peace Rose

## **NOVEMBER THEMES**

**Practical Life:** Refining small motor skills with autumn and Thanksgiving themes - decorative corn tweezing; weaving; yarn snipping; pouring; wet/dry transferring; folding cloths; setting the table

**Art:** Making art with leaves; color mixing; Introduction of Artist Unit Study - Wasily Kandinsky

**Sensorial:** secondary colors; shades/tones/hues; tactile perception games; Leaf Cabinet shapes

**Mathematics:** Short Bead Stair extension lessons - connecting the Montessori color coded beads with quantity

**Language:** <u>Owl Babies</u> Story Basket; oral language development through seasonal/holiday matching and phonological awareness games; initial sounds of words/letter sounds

**Science/Culture/Geography:** parts of an owl; leaf science; Montessori puzzle maps

Individualized activities and lessons are recorded on Montessori Compass. Activity Reports are generated and distributed weekly. Check daily for pictures!

Please be sure to check to your Montessori Compass account for meaningful updates about your child's school experiences. A weekly Activity Report is published each Friday with information about your child's lessons. Further details about these activities are available when you click 'Information about these lessons' at the bottom of listed lessons on the report. As always, let us know if you have any questions.