

WILD LILAC PRESCHOOL

HONORING ALL CHILDREN



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November 2008

Greetings, friends in our Wild Lilac Family!

Our part of the planet is turning from the sun and the weather is turning drippy and dark. Here at preschool, we are welcoming in November by baking bread for our neighbors and talking about gratitude for family, friends, and the abundance in our lives.

What Have We Been Up To?

This past month we have seen an explosion of artistic creativity! Circles and squiggles have turned into beautiful princesses in sequined dresses and pumpkin faces!

The children, parents, and teachers were all a buzz with election jitters this week so discussions naturally arose about who we all hoped for as our next president. Our mock-vote results:

Barack Obama- 8

A Zebra- 1

Sophie the dog- 1

Charlie's Dad, Brian- 1

Will made a very good point when he told Helene, "I bet if Moishie [the dog] could vote he would vote for McCain". We too suspect that Moishie is a McCain supporter.



Liv, Oliver, and Sten making good use of the art room!

Halloween Party Fun!

Thanks to all who joined in the festivities of our Halloween party. We had a really great time! The cookies and apple cider were delicious and the costumes were outstanding. We can't wait for next year!

Yoga Wednesdays

Our Yoga teacher Carissa is so fun and wonderful! She will be continuing yoga with the children on **Wednesdays** through November and December. We are so happy she is willing to share her time and talent with us!

Little Green Grocer!

Scott and Nancy, Livvy's parents, just opened an awesome, beautiful, and healthful grocery store in the Pearl District named **Little Green Grocer**. Little Green Grocer, located at 1101 NW Northrup Street, is full of fresh organic and local produce, cheese, and gourmet prepared food. It is also right across from the street from a park. We encourage you all to go

support them and have a picnic at the park on one of the last few sunny fall days! Congratulations Scott, Nancy, Liv and Roma. We are so proud of you!

Class Picture Day

Cameron Hill, Oliver's photographer-mom, will be coming to Iris House on **Wednesday November 12th** to take a group photo of the kids! If your child does not come on Wednesday but you would like him/her to be included in the photo please arrive at school promptly at 10:20am. We will take the photo outside, weather permitting, and the whole process should be done by 10:40am!

Parent Teacher Conferences

We will be holding parent-teacher conferences in early **December** to talk about how the year is going for your child individually and our group as a whole! Please look for a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board above the cubbies!

Chinook Book Fundraiser

Thank you so much to the families who participated in our Chinook Book Fundraiser! Because the families who participated went above and beyond the call, we will be able to have a beautiful wooden sandbox with a fancy waterproof (and animal-proof) lid! We really appreciate your hard work and

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know your children will love their new sandbox. However, we were disappointed with the number of families who did not participate at all. 10 families, about half of you, did not sell or buy a single book. We hope in the future all parents will help us when we fundraise to improve our program for your children. Look for the sand box and sand toys coming soon!

The Nag Note

Please make sure to pick all of your child's things during school hours. After 4:00pm and on weekends Wild Lilac Preschool transforms into a regular old house where Katie lives. Thanks for honoring this policy!

Calendar

November 10- No school- Teacher Planning Day

November 11- No school- Veteran's Day

November 12- Class Picture Day, 10:20am

November 26-28- No school- Thanksgiving Break