The Spotted Zebra Learning Center

November 2026

Reminders:

The Center is closed on Wednesday 11/11 in observance of Veteran's Day
The Center is closed on Thursday and Friday 11/26 and 27 for Thanksgiving Break



Admin News

Happy November! We hope everyone had a fun and safe Halloween! Getting to see all the different creatures and characters in the school was a highlight for us!
As we move into November, we would like to take a moment to reflect on what we are thankful for at Spotted Zebra. We are thankful for the opportunity to learn and grow alongside the children we get to see every day. We are thankful for our incredible staff who work hard to create an environment that supports, challenges, and stimulates our students. Last and certainly not least, we are thankful for all of YOU, our families, who make up the heart and soul of our school. Without all of these pieces our community would not be what it is, and we are so grateful they have come together as they have.

A quick reminder to please send your children in with labeled weather-appropriate clothing – we want to spend as much time outside as we can before it gets too cold but also want to make sure everyone is warm enough!

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Ms. Sheri, Mr. Matt, Ms. Shannon, Ms. Rachael, Ms. Jenna, and Mr. Derek

What is Happening in the Classrooms…

Teal Room News

Hello Families,

We had such a wonderful month of October! It's been so exciting to watch the children continue to grow, build relationships with friends and teachers, and become more confident and comfortable with our classroom routines. We are looking forward to another wonderful month of learning and growing together!

Throughout November, we will explore Forest Animals, Family, and Thanksgiving! We'll learn about different animals that live in the forest, their habitats, and how they prepare for the colder months. We'll also spend time learning about families, celebrating the people who are special to us, and exploring the importance of kindness, friendship, sharing, and gratitude as we prepare for Thanksgiving.

As we explore these themes, we will continue practicing communication, making choices, participating in classroom activities, building independence, and strengthening our relationships with friends and teachers. We'll also continue learning what helps each child feel comfortable, supported, and successful at school. We can't wait for a November filled with learning, laughter, exploration, and fun together!

Best,

Ms. Heather, Ms. Sara, Ms. Celine, Ms. Kaitlin, Ms. Kelly, & Ms. Alli

Violet Room News

Autumn has been absolutely amazing so far in the Violet Room! Fall is flying by and it's hard to believe that November is already here. October was filled with fun seasonal activities and experiences like pumpkin dissection, leaf hunting, apple stamping, and many other seasonal surprises. We explored fall themes such as leaves, pumpkins, apples, and Halloween! Many discoveries were made surrounding all of the changes the seasons bring, like the unique colors, smells, and sounds that the leaves display. It was so much fun trick-or-treating through the school on Halloween, and very exciting to see everyone's fun and interesting costumes! Thank you to those of you who extended your generosity; A Haunted Halloween party was the perfect way to close out our month!

Violet Room friends have been learning so much this season as we continue to add more topics into our circle time routine, better our self-help skills, and engage in numerous discovery-based play activities. We've been enjoying new sensory activities, building upon routines, and navigating novel experiences with rules and steps. We're ready to dive into fall themes in November as we explore nocturnal animals, farms, family, and Thanksgiving! We will continue activities that develop our pre-writing and fine motor skills, and also explore shape, number, and letter concepts. Responsibility and working on social skills will be bigger themes as we are accustomed to school routines and rules. As we dive into more fall fun, we're excited to partake in more complex crafts, enjoy the last of our outside time for a while, and continue to learn new things every day this upcoming month.

Cold weather has crept in on us already, so please ensure your child has weather appropriate clothing in their cubby, including hats, gloves, oats, and mittens. Morning time is getting chilly and we will continue to go outside daily, weather permitting. Please also ensure that children are wearing appropriate footwear each day, i.e. sneakers. Thank you for your cooperation in labeling all items to avoid lost belongings or mix-ups.

Lastly, we'd like to wish a Happy Birthday to Kinsley (3rd) and Jimmy (9th)!

Ms. Brittany, Ms. Terry, Ms. Laura, and Ms. Allison

Blue Room News

Dear Blue Room Families,

It is hard to believe that it is already November! We had such a fun October learning about Fall and of course, Halloween! It has been wonderful to see how much progress everyone has made both as individuals and as a classroom.

Here are the themes we will be learning about this month:

- **Forest Animals**
- **Bugs and Insects**
- **Thanksgiving**

We are hoping to get outside as much as possible before it gets too cold out, so please send your child in with appropriate clothing (jackets, gloves, hats, etc.). As a reminder, The Spotted Zebra will be **closed 11/11** for Veterans Day, and **11/26-11/27** for Thanksgiving.

We look forward to another month of learning and growing together!

Happy 4th birthday to Brody (11/6)! We hope you have an amazing day!

Warmly,
Ms. Daphne, Ms. Meghan & Ms. Jillian

Green Room News

It's hard to believe November is already here! We've been having so much fun embracing the beauty of fall in the Green Room. The children have loved exploring all the exciting changes this season brings. We became little scientists as we observed the leaves changing into beautiful, vibrant colors and listened to the satisfying crunch they made beneath our feet while playing in the side yard. We also had a wonderful time exploring pumpkins, collecting seeds, scooping out the insides, and making exciting discoveries together!

We wrapped up October with a spook-tacular Halloween celebration! The children had a fantastic time dressing up in their costumes, parading through the school, and collecting special treats. It was a fun-filled day full of smiles and memorable moments!

As we welcome November, we're looking forward to exploring lots of exciting new themes. This month, we'll be learning about corn and scarecrows, leaves, community helpers, and Thanksgiving. These topics will give us wonderful opportunities to explore the world around us, learn about the people in our community, and celebrate the friendships we're building in the classroom. As we approach Thanksgiving, we'll also take time to talk about gratitude and the things we're thankful for.

A Friendly Reminder: As the temperatures continue to drop, please remember to send your child to school with a jacket and other warm clothing each day. We'll continue to enjoy outdoor play and walks whenever the weather allows. Please be sure to label all belongings with your child's name to help us keep track of everyone's items.

Important Date: We will be closed on Wednesday, November 11th, in observance of Veterans Day.

Finally, we'd like to wish Carter a very happy birthday this month!

We're looking forward to another month filled with learning, laughter, and fall fun!

Warmly, Ms. Michelle, Ms. Elle, and Ms. Jennifer

Orange Room News

Happy November! As we move into this cozy time of year, we're continuing to be amazed by the growth and joy we see in the Orange Room each day. The children have truly settled into our classroom community! They're collaborating, sharing ideas, and expressing themselves with growing confidence. It's been wonderful to see how much they've learned since the start of the year!

This month, our curriculum will take us into the imaginative world of fairytales! We'll be exploring some beloved classic stories that invite children to think about problem-solving, character traits, and storytelling all through play, art, and hands-on activities.

Here are some of the themes and stories we'll be focusing on in November:

The Three Billy Goats Gruff – We'll build bridges, explore concepts of size, and practice retelling the story through dramatic play.

The Three Little Pigs – We'll experiment with building houses from different materials to see which one is the strongest, tying in some early STEM learning and teamwork.

Goldilocks and the Three Bears – We'll talk about opposites like big/small and hot/cold, practice counting to three, and create cozy bear-themed crafts.

The Gingerbread Man – As we move closer to the holiday season, we'll bring this story to life through baking, storytelling, and sensory play. We'll also explore patterns, movement games, and kindness as a theme.

As the weather cools down, we'll continue to spend time outdoors, enjoying the crisp fall air. Please remember to send your child in layers and make sure they have a warm jacket, hat, and extra clothes in their cubby.

We're so excited for a month filled with imagination, creativity, and wonder. Thank you for being such an important part of our classroom community. We couldn't do it without your support!

Warmly,

Ms. Katie, Ms. Tami, and Ms. Sade

The Orange Room Team

Yellow Room News

October was full of fun! During choice play, the children enjoyed many arts and crafts, as well as playing firefighter/firehouse. A pumpkin patch and apple orchard in Dramatic Play was another favorite. It was so much fun to scrape and scoop out pumpkin innards and then play with the seeds and strands! They felt cold, wet, squishy, slippery, and slimy! During the week of Halloween, we enjoyed a Trick-or-Treating Dramatic Play, many Halloween arts and crafts, listening to Halloween books read aloud, and playing with all things creepy-crawly.

As we move further into fall, we will learn about nocturnal animals and hibernation. Scarecrows, fall harvest, Veteran's Day, thankfulness, manners, and family will also be topics for November learning activities.

We hope to get outside as much as possible before the colder weather comes. Please send in clearly labeled warm coats, hats and gloves each day. One of our classroom goals for November, is to practice putting on our own coats. Some are ready to work on zipping as well!

Official classroom jobs will also be introduced in November. The kiddos will feel so proud to take on a helper job and take care of their classroom and community. With that will come practice in being flexible and waiting for a preferred/favorite job. Everyone needs a "day off" sometimes, right?

Before we close, we would like to announce three birthdays for November. Happy Birthday to Ms. Jackie (20th), Giuliano (28th), and Paxton (30th)!

Ms. Carol, Ms. Jackie, and Ms. Chris

Meet the Spotted Zebra Herd!

Therapists and Special Educators

Ms. Juli	Psychology
Ms. Marlis	OT
Ms. Kaylyn	Speech (Yellow)
Ms. Caitlin	OT (V, B, O)
Ms. Rachel C	Speech (Orange)
Ms. Rachel M	Music
Ms. Carla	OT (Y, G)
Ms. Allison S	Speech (Violet)
Ms. Wendy	Speech
Ms. Cindy	PT (B, G, O)
Ms. Allison R	PT (Y, V, Teal)
Ms. Olivia	Speech (Green)
Ms. Kelly	OT (Teal)
Ms. Kaitlin	Speech (Teal)
Ms. Claire	Speech (Blue)

Offsite Therapists

Ms. Nicole G	Speech
Ms. Kathi	PT
Mr. Peter	OT
Ms. Nicole S	SEIT
Ms. Sarah	PT
Ms. Wendy	Speech
Ms. Laura D	Speech
Ms. Debbie	PT
Ms. Kaitlin	Speech
Ms. Christy	SEIT
Ms. Carolyn	SEIT
Ms. Katina	SEIT
Mr. Will	Speech

Floating Teachers

Ms. Karen
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Ms. Kiley
Ms. Mollie
Ms. Maeghan
Ms. Alaina
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