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## DURANT ROAD

## PRESCHOOL

November 2021

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Shep and Kendall sorting tree parts

### *Preschool Investigative Study: Trees*

We are discovering so much about trees! Trees help us breathe. They give us food like fruits and nuts. Trees are a home to different animals and sometimes people. Their roots help keep the soil in place after a hard rain. People use materials from trees to make many things like paper, furniture, tools and buildings. And, in warm months, they give us shade to help keep our homes cool.

We are also learning different “tree words” like roots, trunk, bark, branches, leaves, photosynthesis, conifers, and broadleaf. We’re discovering which trees grow the tallest, where the biggest tree in the world is, why leaves change color, and what happens to trees when it doesn’t rain for a long time.

Please take a look at all the interest centers in our classroom so you can see what we are investigating! Be sure to look at our class book.



### Mark Your Calendars

- 1 Canned Food Drive Begins
- 5 Picture Day-all classes
- 9 Hallway Dance Party-Preschoolers
- 16 Nature Program Visitor-Preschoolers
- 18 Toddler/Two’s Gobbler Trot
- 18 Thanksgiving Lunch
- 22 Canned Food Drive Ends
- 24 Thanksgiving Parade-Preschoolers
- 25, 26 Thanksgiving Holiday-Closed
- 30 Holiday Quilt Begins-all classes

### *Fitness Fridays*

- 5 Obstacle Course
- 12 Punting
- 19 Hopping

### *Our Specials*

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Math Lesson	Literacy Lesson	Music Class	Spanish Class	Math Lesson

### **Canned Food Drive**

We are resuming our annual canned food drive this year! If you remember, we didn’t have it last year due to the pandemic and we are thrilled to be able to do it this year! The dates of the food drive are shortened this month so please be sure to bring in canned items before **November 22<sup>nd</sup>**. The items will be donated to Wake County BackPack Buddies and an area Food Bank.

and a texture walk.



## Book Of The Month

This month our preschoolers will read, *Bear Says Thanks* by Karma Wilson. “Bear has come up with the perfect way to say thanks—a nice big dinner! When Bear decides to throw a feast, his friends show up one by one with different platters of delicious food to share. There’s just one problem: Bear’s cupboards are bare! What is he to do?” Check it out



The 2s class exploring different textures to paint

## *Infants and Toddlers*

Putting Quality Into Action: Routines  
Day By Day For Infants and Toddlers

The best thing about routines, as seen through the eyes of infants and toddlers, is that they happen day after day. They are predictable, enabling children to learn what to expect.

As children participate in daily routines, they learn to think, collect new information about their world, and develop skills. Routines like *hellos and good-byes, diapering and toileting, eating and mealtimes, and sleeping and naptime*, offer opportunities to shape children’s learning. A lot of learning takes place during routines.

*But, they are on the move!* During November, we will continue our fall activities. We’ll explore different textures in our sensory tables like acorns, straw, and shredded paper. We’ll dabble in art as we finger paint and experiment with crayons on different surfaces like cookie sheets, tile, and cardboard. Watch out for butcher paper scribble on table tops, digging for farm animals in straw, texture bags, texture boards,

## Children’s Birthdays

Finn Sam Ava Sophia Kymya  
Christopher Eliyana Chris  
Liam Wyatt Graham



## Spanish Class

Hola, hola a ti! This month, we will be learning the months of the year – meses del ano as well as Thanksgiving – Dia de Accion de gracias words

## Music Class

*“We’re musical movers!”*

Our children will use gross-motor skills, their sense of hearing, and wrist bells as they combine movement and music to express themselves creatively.

