



TINY RAMS TIMES

NOVEMBER 2020

Hello!

Gobble, gobble it's turkey month! Time to put away our Halloween costumes and get ready to spend some time with our families. The month of October was so much fun; we got to do some fun and spooky Halloween activities and we even got to paint pumpkins. We spent the beginning of the month learning all about fire safety and what firefighters do to help the community! We are looking forward to all our family activities and some exciting Thanksgiving activities.

Did you know that the second week in November is National Young Readers Week? National Young Readers Week challenges literacy to grow throughout schools everywhere. Reading supports language and literacy skills. The earlier parents read out loud to their children, the more it strengthens their brain development, too. Reading empowers children and allows them to explore, learn, and answer questions. This week promotes improving literacy for children of all ages and demonstrates to children the importance of reading. Leave a variety of books, magazines, etc around the house and encourage your young readers to look at them at any time. Let them catch YOU reading, too! The benefits of literacy carry with us all through our lives.

- Your Tiny Rams Team

THEMES:

"Thanksgiving, Family & Manners"

SAVE THE DATE:

Nov. 25-27th - CLOSED

HEALTH & SAFETY:

Each child will have their temperature taken before entering the site. Temperature threshold will be set at 100.0'f or lower for daily attendance

Evidence of any outbreak of disease among staff, children, or children's relatives who they are living with or seeing frequently will prompt Ralston Schools Foundation administration to promptly close the facility

REMINDERS:

Please continue to follow our COVID health and safety practices by monitoring yourself and your child for any symptoms!

MISC:

Tiny Rams is excited to share we are using the Procure App to log your child's daily activities! Our teachers are familiarizing themselves with the various features and will share more information soon!

Infant/Toddler & Toddler Rooms have NEW phone numbers! Please review the "Ways to Connect" section for more info.

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CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS

Infants

Teachers: Megan, Shelby

How is it almost the end of the year already!? November is the month for family and lots of food. This month we will do fun activities that incorporate Thanksgiving, family, and our manners. The month of November will be used to get outside even more than we usually do and feel the change of the weather and maybe even do some fun arts and crafts out there. We also will count how many family members we have in our family, read and look at pictures in the books Families and Guess How much I Love You, and do a fun art project that involves everyone in our family! We are over the moon to do all things related to Thanksgiving, family, and manners!

Early Learning Guidelines Goals: Our older friends will work on using sippy cups, sitting up at the table, and standing at the sink (assisted) to wash their hands (HP.01). Everyone will also get to experience finding themselves in the mirrors, and be shown the sign language for “more” and “thank you” (M.01). Our younger friends will work on exploring ways to create a result. For example, swinging at a mobile and watching the toys move, pressing a button on our music cube and watching the lights, etc.



Babies LOVED exploring the fall leaves!

Infant/Toddlers

Teachers: Heather & Anesa

This month we will be working on our manners by looking at different Thanksgiving food and practicing saying “Yes, please” and “No, thank you” either with our words or by using sign language. We will also talk about our families and our traditions during the holiday. We will explore science by doing a magical corn experiment! We will also celebrate “Football Fridays” in our room! Let’s celebrate college football coming back to the heartland! Wear your favorite college or professional sport team. It doesn't have to be a football team; feel free to support any team you wish! Something very exciting will be happening for our classroom as well, we will be getting a new friend! Thanks to the Pets in the Classroom grant we will be getting a Glofish for our classroom! We are very excited to teach the children about having a pet!

Favorite Book and Song from this past month: “Row, Row, Row Your Boat” book and song! This has been a go to favorite for the class. “One Little, Two Little, Three Little Witches” song

Early Learning Guidelines Goals: (M.01) Demonstrates awareness of quantity, counting, and numeric competencies. (fills and dumps containers and uses “more” and “all gone”) (SE.05) Develops a sense of belonging to family, community, and groups. (Seeks attention from trusted adults and points to familiar people in pictures.



Infant/Toddlers enjoying the FALL weather on the playground!

CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS

Toddlers

Teachers: Kalli & Amber

We love thanksgiving! This month we will talk about what it means to be thankful and the things for which we are thankful. Of course we will also be making a ton of silly turkey crafts to go with it! We're also going to make some nice keepsakes for our families, as well as a family tree.

Early Learning Guidelines Goals: This month we will be focusing on creative expression through movement, and developing foundational skills that will support initiative, self direction, and curiosity. We will practice fun movements such as 'wobble like a turkey', 'flop like a fish', 'fly like an eagle', and so on. We will make our own pumpkin play dough and kinetic sand! Our teachers will also be reminding us to use our manners, such as saying please and thank you when necessary.



Toddler "Halloween Science" Fun!

Preschool

Teachers: Emily (Miss E) & Shannon



"Preschool friends enjoying outdoor story time!"

This month our class will discuss what it means to be thankful and the things and people for which we are thankful. We will read stories about the history of Thanksgiving and learn about how the Pilgrims and Native Americans worked together to make Thanksgiving dinner. We will have fun creating our own turkeys using a variety of art supplies. Math activities include learning about different patterns and what it means to use the words more, less, or the same. We will also learn how to make and read different charts. As a class, we are practicing scissor skills and holding a pencil the correct way to write our name. Children will use a variety of classroom materials to develop fine motor skills. We will learn about healthy foods and discuss the different food groups!

Early Learning Guidelines Goals:

Children will practice using their strong, respectful voice to communicate their thoughts and ideas by raising their hands to ask questions during group times. We will also be working on our table manners and how to say please and thank you.

STAFF BIO OF THE MONTH

Katie

"My favorite part of working at Tiny Rams is building strong relationships with the children, parents, and my coworkers. We are like a big family!"



Hello, I'm Katie! I am Tiny Ram's Center Director! I have been working for Tiny Rams **FOREVER!** I began working at Lil' Rams in 2003 and Tiny Rams in 2005. I have an Associates in Photography from Metro and a Preschool CDA (Child Dev. Associate) credential.

I have a son, Clark who is 4 years old. I am the youngest of **5 kids**, 3 brothers and 1 sister. They have blessed me with 9 nephews and 2 nieces. My hobbies include being Clark's mom, reading, working out, being outside, organizing, spending time with my big, crazy family!

SOME OF MY FAVORITE THINGS:

Season: Fall Vacation: the Beach or Mountains Movie: "Wizard of Oz"
Holiday: Thanksgiving & Christmas Color: Purple Drink: Coffee & Water
Food: Mexican, Chinese, sushi, Italian, sweets. I LOVE food!
Book: I love to read, it's impossible to have a favorite!
T.V. Show: "Dexter, The Office, How I met Your Mother"

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