

November

Things that we did the week of November 1

Another **new month** and several **changes** too: new seats (ask me what color my table is now!), new morning routine (finding our *first* names again on the board but also writing 4 letters each day under our name, tracing/writing our *first* names each day at our tables, graphing, new calendar song/routine, new shape, new number, new colors, new goodbye song, and practicing *writing* numbers, letters, shapes, etc. on the big marker board too!

Owls were on our minds this week and we learned many interesting owl facts. Seeing how long different owls' wingspans can be was especially fun! We got to look at many different kinds of owls, make several owl projects like... an owl puppet and an owl out of our hands too! The highlight of owl week though was our Owl Sleepover Party!!! We introduced our animal friends, taught them how to act like an owl, played "Owl Charades" (acted like an animal that an owl would eat), "Owl Owl Whooo" and "Owl I Spy." We then actually made an OWL TO EAT for our midnight snack – ask me how! Next, we read our animal friends some bedtime stories, did an owl packet with them, and had free play! Finally, we sang them a goodnight song and tucked them in their sleeping bags for their overnight sleepover. We knew we would miss them, but we know they had lots of fun because the next morning we caught them playing hide-and-seek when we came into the room!!!

The letter **Oo** was introduced. We traced and practiced writing Oo, saw Mrs. Schaefer's Secret Oo Box, learned the sound and signs for Oo, and did our Oo page for our alphabet book as well.

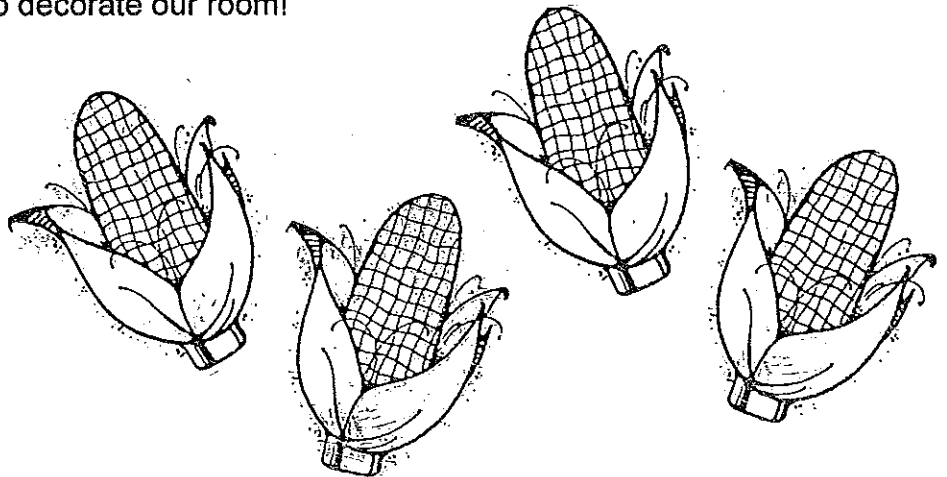
The **number 4** was introduced as well for this new month. We all thought number 4 was pretty easy to make if we remember to make a number 1, turn it into the letter L, and then CRASH right through!!!

The **rectangle** was presented this week too. We sang a song for rectangles that has the tune to "BINGO". We searched the room for rectangles (and found out that they're all around us!), practiced cutting and drawing rectangles, and made our own human rectangle too!

Next week we'll get a start on our new theme: **Thanksgiving/Turkey** and begin a few turkey art projects to decorate our room!

OUR PROJECTS

My Owl (traced hands)
Owl puppet
Owl w/moon
Owl packet



OUR BOOKS

Owls

Discovering Owls

The Littlest Owl

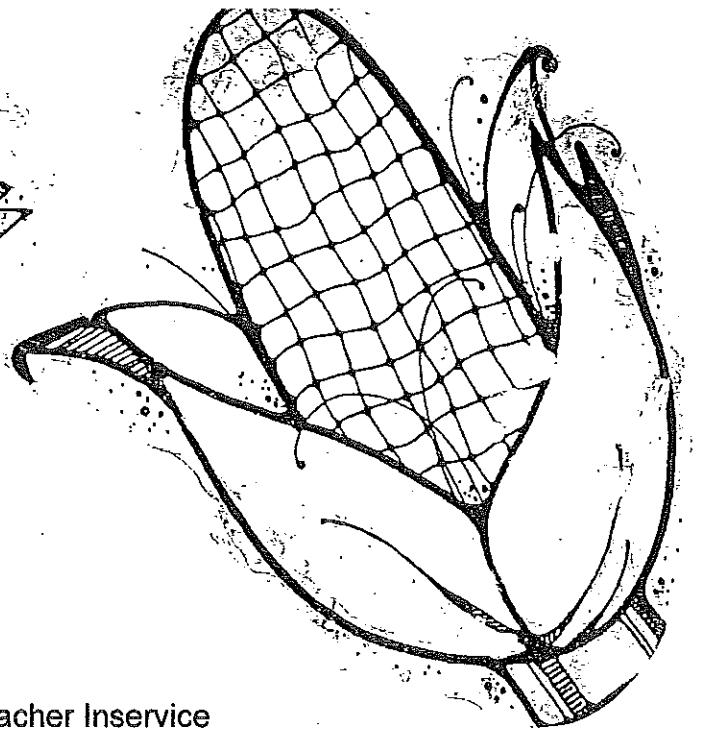
Owls Night Creatures

Incredible Owls

The Best Owl Nest

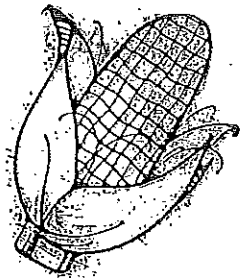
Hello Ocean

Sea Otters



DATES TO REMEMBER

- November 7 **NO SCHOOL 4K-8** Teacher Inservice
- November 8 **PTG Meeting 6:30 PM PLEASE JOIN US!**
- November 16 **School Board Meeting 6:00 PM**
- November 10 **Early Release 11:30 AM NO SCHOOL 4K PM CLASS**
- November 10 **Parent/Teacher Conferences 5K-8 ONLY**
1:00-4:00 PM and 5:00-8:00 PM
- November 10 **Reading Night in the Library**
- November 23 **4K Thanksgiving Program – Stone Soup!**
- November 24&25 **NO SCHOOL** Thanksgiving Vacation

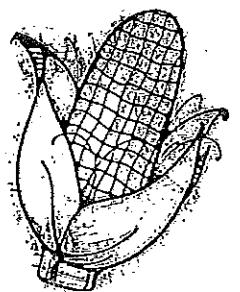
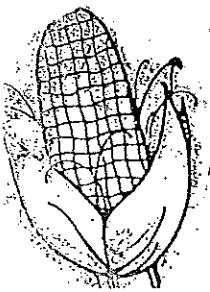


THANKS to Audra (AM class) and Aly (PM class) for bringing in Wednesday's Special Snack! It also happened to be Audra's birthday! A big THANKS also to Aubry, Samantha, and Tristan (AM class) and Christian and Kloe (PM class) for bringing everyone a midnight snack for our Owl Sleepover Party!

Our parent helpers this week were: **Nicole Hill, Carrie Peterson, Carrie Smithyman, and Lisa Venn**. Your time, effort, and energy are truly appreciated! THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

SPECIAL NOTES

Once again, **THANK YOU** to everyone who donated supplies/treats for our Halloween party last week. Your willing to help is much appreciated!!! Another **SPECIAL THANK YOU** also goes to **Becky**



Uhlman, Traci Walter, Amy Zwiag (AM class) and Chrissy Bardo, Nicole Hill, Carrie Peterson (PM class) for helping and keeping "control" at the party.

THANK YOU also to **Carrie Smithyman** for making our new playdoh for the month – Yellow!

Reminder: 4K will be receiving reports cards in January and June. 4K will have Parent/Teacher Conferences in February after their first report card comes out.

The **Scholastic Family Book Fair** is underway. If you would like your 4K child to purchase a book please send the money in an envelope to school and we will help him/her choose a book. Books usually range between \$4.00 and UP. Don't forget to return your 4K 15 minute reading slips each day too!

CONGRATULATIONS BIG BROTHER Isaac & Family (AM class)!
The White's welcome a new **BABY BOY** to their family! **HOORAY!**

Also, **Annabelle (AM class)** will be a big sister again soon and her family has asked if anyone has 0 months & up BOY clothing they'd like to get rid of they'd be happy and grateful to accept them!

Have a FANTASTIC "CRISP" FALL WEEKEND everyone!!!

