



November 2017



## Message from the Director

Dear Grosvenor Families,

With the start of cold and flu season, we want to make sure we are being proactive in preventing the spread of illnesses. It is also important for children who are sick to stay home and rest and recover before returning to school. If your child is sent home, they will need to remain at home for at least 24 hours, or submit a written statement from the health care provider approving the earlier return to the program. Please notify the office within 24 hours if your child has developed a known communicable disease. Please take some time to review our Illness Policy found in the resource link below. Let's work together to have a safe and healthy fall season!

Thank you

Karen Fajardo

## What's New

### CURRICULUM CORNER



Teachers help children learn specific skills related to letters and words. Using the book, *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*, children are able to demonstrate their ability to recognize letters through song and visual arts. The Jaguars listened to the story and identified letters from their own names. Children often recognize letters in their own names first, because these are words most important to them. After children learn letters in their own names, they often learn the letters of other words that are significant to them, such as the names of family members and pets. The Jaguars incorporate literacy in a variety of ways that will foster pre-writing and pre-reading development in fun creative ways.

Adapted from Creative Curriculum © Volume 3: Literacy: Letters and Words



## Important Reminders

**Birthdays:** We want each child to enjoy their special day with friends. If you wish to bring in a special treat, we ask that it be store bought with ingredients label and be free of any nuts. We also ask that you bring in a healthy alternative such as fresh fruit if you choose a “sweet treat” option such as cupcakes.

**Clothing:** As the weather cools down, please check in your children’s cubbies to make sure that their extra change of clothes are weather appropriate.

**Child Art Work:** Please check your child’s cubbies for artwork to take home.

**Signing In/Out:** Please remember to sign your child in and out of the program each day.

## Upcoming Dates

**MCCA will be CLOSED:**

**Thursday November 23rd– Thanksgiving Holiday**

**Friday November 24th –Thanksgiving Holiday**

## Suggested Resources and Reading

### Resources:

[http://www.mccaedu.org/family\\_resources.html](http://www.mccaedu.org/family_resources.html)

### Books:

*Chicka Chicka Boom Boom* by Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault

*Eating the Alphabet* by Lois Ehlert

*Dr. Seuss's ABC* by Dr. Seuss

*Alphabet Under Construction* by Denise Fleming

*Alphabet Adventure* by Audrey Wood

*Alphabet Mystery and Alphabet Rescue* by Audrey Wood and Bruce Wood