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Washington University Nursery School 2019-2020

October 20, 2019

What we've been up to...

What a fun couple of weeks we have had, starting with a visit from the Clayton Fire Department! The children enjoyed meeting the firefighters and their dog, Sparky. We spent the week talking about fire safety and dressing up like firefighters. A highlight was making delicious pumpkin bread to give to the firefighters when they visited!

We spent last week talking all about shapes. Ask your child to find shapes around your home or outside! We made a giant sun catcher using contact paper and pieces of tissue paper to hang in the classroom. The children came up with three possible shapes for our sun catcher: oval, heart or rectangle. Each child voted on the shape of their choice and we graphed the results...the heart shape won with seven votes! The children also painted using different sizes of circles, played shape games and made shape outlines with pom poms and stickers.

We introduced the correct scissor grip to the children last week. Using scissors with oval and circle openings, children should place their thumb in the circle and their index, middle and possibly their ring fingers through the oval opening (these are also the same fingers they use when writing!). Remember to have thumbs up, point scissors away from the body and use the non-dominant "helper hand" to hold the paper. This is a great skill to practice at home!

We look forward to meeting with you at conferences and thank you for all your support!

Marsha and Miriam

Looking Ahead

- October 21--Spanish
- October 22--Music
- October 30--Halloween Celebration at 10:45
- October 31 & November 1--Conferences

Learning Centers

At the light table and magnetic board last week, the children used various shapes to create pictures. It was such fun to realize that most objects we see are really made up of different shapes put together! This concept helps children as they begin to attempt drawing pictures in the next year or so.

Friendly Reminders

- We look forward to seeing you at conferences on 10/31 or 11/1
- Please make sure your child has a warm change of clothes at school
- If you have any extra shoe boxes at home, please send them in for a project we are working on this week
- We look forward to seeing you at the Halloween Parade and celebration on 10/30 at 10:45

Photos









