## **Fall News**

We talked about our five senses during the month of September. In our small group time we would discuss what the five senses were, and the children were able to gain more knowledge of their body parts. The children love to sing head, shoulder, knees, and toes. We have been practicing our hand washing skills.

At the end of September, we discovered how yummy apples are. We read books about how apples grow.

We sampled green and red apples. We painted red and green apples.

We incorporate our themes into our center time. An example would be in our housekeeping the children would pretend to bake apples in the oven or make applesauce. We also have playdoh cutters that the children used to make apple shapes with. The children would pretend to feed their apples to each other.

In block area, the children would take out the school bus and pretend that they had people going to the apple orchard to pick apples. Before the bus would make its way to the orchard the children would put the people in the bus. We also practiced our fine motor skills by playing in our rice table. While playing in the rice table there are cups and bowls that the children can scoop and pour the rice into.

Even though it is not cold out right now the children are enjoying the fall season by blowing bubbles, using sidewalk chalk, riding bikes, kicking or throwing a ball, making sandcastles in the sandbox while outside. Our Fall Unit will start on October 9th and continue through December 1st. We will be learning about leaves, pumpkins, Halloween, spiders, turkeys, Thanksgiving, and squirrels. During our Fall Unit we will read special books, make crafts, and sing some new songs.

Thank you to the parents who have contributed to our monthly snacks. The children have been enjoying

the yummy snacks. Thank you to the parents who bought our class books from the bookfair.

## **Important Dates to Remember:**

Wednesday October 31st will be our Halloween Parade. Your child is welcome to wear a costume to school and either wear clothes under their costume or you can bring in clothes and we will change them once the parade is over with. Please bring in a pre-wrapped bag of candy for our class to pass out. We are a nut free center so please keep that in mind when you are purchasing the candy. I will have a signup sheet for the goodies we would like to have as a snack at our Halloween party for the afternoon.

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