

Hello Fall

Newsletter



Autumn is a magical time: nights get longer, leaves change colors, and school begins again. This unit teaches students to notice and appreciate seasonal changes and autumnal activities. Students learn life skills needed to dress appropriately in changing weather conditions and seamlessly transition into fall activities.

Fun, creative, learning-standard-based group activities, independent work, art, social studies, cooking, science, social emotional, movement, and life skills lessons strengthen math and English language arts skills. All lessons throughout the theme address a wide range of student skill levels. With so much to explore, the Hello Fall theme unit will take students on a hay-filled wagon ride through the wonders of fall, enjoying all the sights and sounds along the way. No matter what fall brings, we are excited to dive in!

Caregiver Connection Corner

Environmental walk

 Go for a short walk through a park or other outdoor area to notice how the landscape has changed. Point out turning or falling leaves, temperature changes, and flowers and plants that bloom in the fall.

Grocery store themes

 Help your child notice the change in seasons by pointing out autumn-related foods (e.g. apples, apple cider, pumpkins) and items (e.g. pumpkin carving kits) at the grocery store or local market.

Life skills: Change it out

 When it is time to put away the shorts and tank tops, have your child take them out of their drawer and replace them with warmer pants and sweaters.

Theme Unit Vocabulary

Outdoors: Fall, Tree, Leaf Pile, Leaf, Pinecone, Acorn, Rain, Sun, Weather, Cool, Warm, Leaves Falling Down, Playing in the Leaves, Harvest

Moon, Wind

Colors: Red, Yellow, Orange, Green, Blue, Purple, Brown, Black **Clothes**: Jacket, Sweatshirt, Hat, Scarf, Raincoat, Boots

Fall Harvest: Farm, Corn, Apple, Pumpkin, Squash, Sunflower, Crops, Field, Hay Bale, Hayride, Wheelbarrow, Scarecrow, Wagon, Rake,

Farmer

Fall Animals: Squirrel, Deer, Owl, Crow, Turkey, Bat

What We Are Learning About Hello Fall

- Turn-taking practice: Tic-tac-toe
- Fall-themed arts and crafts
- Movement: Fall relay race
- Community games
- Social studies: Apple variety voting
- Math games: Find the shape

Note From the Teacher

- Academics: Reading and sequencing books
- Science: Pumpkin experiment
- Fall-themed cooking recipes