The staff at Loving Hands Preschool is thankful that we have such a wonderful group of children and parents in our program! We are blessed to have each one of you in our lives! We hope you and your family have a Happy & Healthy Thanksgiving!

It is almost time for Daylight Savings Time to end. Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 2.

It is almost time for the Halloween Party, Wednesday, October 29 & Thursday, October 30. The parade will begin as soon as all children have arrived to school. All families are welcome to stay for the parade. You may also pass out treats to the students if you would like! Just a reminder: all treats should be <u>nut-free</u>! Since we have children in our program with other dietary restrictions as well, small toys are also a great idea!! It is always so fun to see the kids dressed in their costumes (please remember, no weapons or "scary" costumes)! If you are not planning to stay for the paradel party, please note that classes end 1/2 hour early on your child's party day.

Please note the number of students in the parade:

Wednesday AM: 26 Wednesday PM: 25

Thursday AM: 49 (this number has increased since the October newsletter)

Thursday PM: 52

There will be NO ENRICHMENT for any students <u>either</u> of these party days. <u>FOR OUR FULL DAY CHILDREN</u>: please pack your child's costume (or bring it with you at 12:15 if you plan to help your child get dressed before the parade). Please let Miss Jessica and Miss Renee know if you are planning to help your child, so they will know who will still need assistance!

Our T-K and Pre-K classes had a great time on their field trips! Thank you to all the family members who participated in the field trip! The kids (and teachers) had so much fun!

The Thanksgiving Feasts will be on Wednesday, November 19 for the Green Room and Orange Room MW3 classes, and on Thursday, November 20 for the Yellow, Purple, Pink, Orange TTH and Blue Rooms. Children should pack snack as they normally would. On the day of the feast, we will all come together in the Fellowship Hall for Chapel time with Miss Shannon and eat snack as a group. It is a great way to thank God for all that he has given us!! This month for chapel time, we will be learning about when Jesus fed 5000 men! To help Miss Shannon tell the story, we are requesting that everyone bring at least one non-perishable food item to donate to Green Good Neighbors. We will show how when everyone gives a little, we can help a lot!!

We will also be working on a Christmas donation project for Green Good Neighbors (to help local kids in need for Christmas). In the month of November, we will have our giving trees in the gathering area. Each class will have ornaments in their class color with items for each child in their adopted family needed for purchase/donation. If you or anyone you know would be interested in adopting a family on your own, as well, please see Miss Shannon and I can get you in touch with GGN. Donated items will be due back to school by November 21. We will be looking for volunteers to help with wrapping on Monday, November 24 & Tuesday, November 25.

Pre-K and TK classes...Interested in trying out our Enrichment class? There are still some openings for November. Or sign up for December and receive a discount. For the month of December, Enrichment will be discounted to \$60 for students attending 2 days per week and \$120 for children attending 4 days per week. The class meets with Miss Kate and Miss Brittney on Monday/Wednesday in the Yellow Room and with Miss Libby and Miss Jess in the Green Room on Tuesday/Thursday. Payment is due by November 16. There are limited spots still open for month-month basis. This is a great opportunity to help prepare your child for the longer day of school, while still allowing them fun activities with their friends!

Mark your calendars: Our Christmas Programs are just around the corner! Family members are invited to these performances. Doors will open 10 minutes before the performance. Here is the tentative schedule:

Wednesday, December 10			Thursday, December 11	
Orange Room MWam	10:30	<(early dismissal)>	Orange Room TTHam	10:30
Orange Room MWpm	2:00	<(early dismissal)>	Orange Room TTHpm/	Pink Room PM 2:00
Green Room AM	4:30		Yellow Room AM	4:30
Green Room PM	5:30		Yellow Room PM	5:30
Purple Room AMPM	6:30		Blue Room/Pink Room A	AM 6:30

Thank you to everyone who has been turning in Acme Receipts! Loving Hands will earn 5% of the community cashback amount on the bottom of the receipt. The program has been extended to February 15, 2026 for this school year. It will start back up again in August 2026. Please be sure to turn in all receipts to the bucket at the Information Station, outside of the PRESCHOOL OFFICE. Our last day to turn in receipts will be on Friday, February 20.

If you haven't "liked" our Facebook page yet, you may want to check us out! We post event reminders and pictures of happenings at school! We would also love if you would consider telling others what you think of us by writing a review on our page, or writing a review for our testimonial page on our website. A form is attached to this month's newsletter, or can be found in the folder labeled "Testimonial Forms" outside of the preschool office, if interested. Most of our families hear about us through word of mouth, so your opinion matters to us!! Thank you to all who have already done this!!

November Dates

- 3: Daylight savings time-turn your clocks back one hour
- 4: Election day- NO SCHOOL
- 5: Happy Birthday Haddie B
- 6: Happy Birthday Nico E
- 12: Storytime with Miss Brandie from the Green Library 10:00/Preschool Board Meeting 9:00
- 13: Happy Birthday Logan A
- 15: Happy Birthday Anthony D
- 16: December Tuition due/Happy Birthday Libby S/Kennedy A/Camila A
- 19: Thanksgiving Feast/Chapel time for Orange MW and Green Rooms/Happy Birthday Elijah J
- 20: Thanksgiving Feast/Chapel time for all other classes
- 21: Christmas gifts due back
- 22: Happy Birthday Bodhi B & Kolson L
- 24/25: Wrapping volunteers needed
- 26-28: Thanksgiving Break-NO SCHOOL
- 29: Happy Birthday Gigi D

Preschool 3's- Orange Room Miss Tara & Miss Shannon

OrangeRoomMW@loving-hands.org OrangeRoomTTH@loving-hands.org

It is amazing how quickly the 3's classes are learning our classroom routines! We are very proud of all their accomplishments during the past few months! At the beginning of October, we began our daily routine of recognizing and writing the first letter in our name. In the beginning, we practice H.O.H (Hand Over Hand) to form the letters correctly and then they try it independently with verbal cues. We are really working on developing fine motor skills - having your child color, make lines and use stickers, play with play-doh at home are several great ways to do this. We also introduced glue sticks and how to use them! We practice a saying when applying glue "1, 2, 3 is enough for me". Pushing and moving the glue stick around is tricky — this is another fun way they can develop their fine motor skills.

Some classroom reminders: Please be sure to have your child use the restroom right before coming to school. Also, thank you for continuing to pack your child's water bottles inside their snack bag - this is helpful for them practicing independence when getting their snack and cleaning up.

During the month of November we will be introducing

Letters: H, A, K

Color: Brown

Numbers: 6 and 7

Shape: Square

November's nursery rhyme is Hickety Pickety Bumblebee - this is a fun way to learn our friends' names! October's nursery rhyme was 5 Little Pumpkins.

As the end of October is near, we wrap up our Halloween celebrations and move into talking about apples, fall and our families! At the end of the month, we will have our Thanksgiving Feast and Chapel time this month celebrating with all our other Loving Hands friends!

May you and your family find many blessings to celebrate this November. Happy Thanksgiving!

Preschool 3's W/TH- Pink Room Miss Leanne & Miss Terri PinkRoom3s@loving-hands.org

Can you believe we've already been in school for two months? Time is flying by! I'm sure you've already heard about (or maybe even seen!) some of the songs, skills, and activities we've been working on together. I truly hope your child is enjoying school as much as I've enjoyed having them in class — we've had such a fun fall!

As we move into the "-ber months" (my favorite time of year!), we have lots of exciting seasonal activities planned. One highlight will be our Thanksgiving Feast, where Miss Shannon shares the story of Jesus feeding the 5,000 — one of my very favorite lessons. We'll also be focusing on daily name-writing practice, helping each child build confidence and independence. You can support this at home by encouraging your child to write their name on days we aren't in school.

Pre-Kindergarten MWF- Green Room Miss Libby & Miss Jess GreenRoom@loving-hands.org

The green room had so much fun learning all about farms last month! We especially loved reading many different versions of The Three Little Pigs. Our learning centers included different activities in which the kids could recreate the story using figures, and try building a house of sticks, straw and bricks! We also discovered facts about bats and were a little surprised to learn that bats aren't birds, rather they are mammals like us! The end of October was a little "spooky," as we made "witches brew" in the sensory table, and the centers transformed into Halloween themed stations, including

tracing letters using a witch finger in green sand, counting skeletons and Frankensteins, and making letters using pretend spiders!! A giant thank you to EVERYONE who helped plan and donate for our class party!

November will bring the story of the first Thanksgiving. We will talk about the Pilgrims on the Mayflower meeting the Native Americans and how they shared a meal together. We will celebrate this special day with our very own feast during snack time! Our friends will talk about being thankful and what friendship means. We will also share in a special day making Stone soup and reading this teachable story in which we learn that when everyone contributes just a little, we can accomplish a whole lot!

We will continue our weekly letter focus, bringing us to the letters G, H, I and J, as well as number recognition and counting practice. Thank you for sharing your sweet children with us!

Pre-Kindergarten TTHF- Yellow Room
Miss Kate & Miss Tina
YellowRoom@loving-hands.org

Hello Yellow Room families! We had such a busy October! We had a blast learning about different nocturnal animals and even more fun with all of our fun Fall activities. From fizzy apple painting to hedgehog sculptures - we learned a lot and had such a wonderful time doing it!

We will move into November doing some fun activities to prepare us for the Christmas season. It seems odd to start December and Christmas prep before Thanksgiving, but we want to make sure we are fully prepared for the Advent season! As we approach Thanksgiving though, we will switch gears and discuss what it means to be "thankful." We will talk about how and why we celebrate this holiday.

Our letters for November are I, J, and K. Our numbers are 8, 9, and 10. Our shape is the Square and our color is Blue. Don't forget to practice writing and recognizing letters and numbers at home! As we constantly tell the children, it takes a lot of "trying" to get good at anything!

Hello Enrichment families! We had a great October getting to know each other and getting used to the longer school day. Everyone is doing great and we are having so much fun! Our Fall themed crafts utilized some creative painting techniques and our spooky transition into Halloween was a blast! In November, we will work on a fun Advent project to prepare us for December. Can't wait to get started!

Pre-Kindergarten W-F- Pink Room Miss Terri & Miss Leanne PinkRoom4s@loving-hands.org

The pink room is hoping everyone enjoyed our field trip to Kingsway. And you are looking forward to the upcoming holiday season. We will be highlighting many celebrations throughout the month of November. Our first holiday will start with Veteran's Day. We will introduce the letter's G, S, J, D, P and B, the shape square, the number 6, and the color brown. We will also begin patterning, rhyming, and some will start writing their name independently. There will be three new Nursery Rhymes, and many more phonic lessons with our Heggerty program.

We will have our Thanksgiving Feast on Thursday November 20th. The children will have snack in the Muscle room and learn about "Thankfulness". They will also be asked to bring in a non-perishable item to give to Green Good Neighbors. The pink room has also started new songs for the Christmas program, Hopefully you will hear them at home. Hoping you ALL have a BLESSED and THANKFUL Thanksgiving.











Transitional Kindergarten (Half Day)-Purple Room Miss Courtney & Miss Stacey PurpleRoom@loving-hands.org

I want to thank everyone who has volunteered and helped with our Halloween party! We appreciate all of you for making it fun and memorable for everyone. Both classes have been doing amazing with practicing letters, numbers, and shapes. They really enjoy a game we play during snack time called "Ape behind the Shape". Every day I hide a small picture of an ape behind a shape on a board and then they try to guess which shape he is behind. We will begin November with our fire safety theme. We will talk about what to do in the event of a fire and demonstrate the rule of STOP, DROP, and ROLL. We will then introduce our hibernation theme. We will talk about which animals hibernate and which animals migrate during the winter. This month we will still concentrate on letters and letter sounds; we will finish reviewing the entire alphabet by mid-November. At the end of the month we will talk about Thanksgiving and what we are all thankful for this year. Miss Stacey and I have so much to be thankful for this November and we cannot wait to celebrate Thanksgiving with our wonderful Purple Room family!

Transitional Kindergarten (Full Day)- Blue Room
Miss Jessica & Miss Renee
BlueRoom@lovina-hands.ora

Can't believe it's November already!!! We have had a great couple months of school getting to know all of your children. Thank you to the parents who helped plan our Halloween Party. We had so much fun and couldn't have done it without you! We have been working on recognizing and writing our first names and have mastered it. We are now going to work on last names. We have done letters A through N and are going to continue working on the rest of the alphabet. We have done numbers 0 to 5 and are going to keep doing a new number every week. The children have been working so hard and we are so proud of them!

This month we will focus on writing and recognizing last names. We are going to begin working on rhyming, opposites along with patterns and sorting. We will enjoy a Fairy Tale theme. We will talk about Thanksgiving and how it started and what it means to be thankful. We will enjoy listening to the children tell us what they are thankful for.

We hope you all have a wonderful Thanksgiving and don't eat

too much!! We are thankful for all 14 of our friends and their families!!!!!

Enrichment Class

Miss Kate(MW) & Miss Libby (TTH)

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MW: Hello Enrichment families! We had a great October getting to know each other and getting used to the longer school day. Everyone is doing great and we are having so much fun! Our Fall themed crafts utilized some creative painting techniques and our spooky transition into Halloween was a blast! In November, we will work on a fun Advent project to prepare us for December. Can't wait to get started!

TTH: October was a little spooky in enrichment as we practiced some math by adding Frankenstein candies! We also learned about bats and made some bat crafts!

November will bring lots of fun and learning as we talk about the first Thanksgiving. We will look at a map of the world and see the differences of the oceans and the land.

Lastly, we will talk about being thankful and all the things we are thankful for! Happy Thanksgiving!

