

# MVM Newsletter

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## Reminders:



## Building

### Hours:

7:30am-6:00pm

## Afternoon

### Enrichments

Monday- Dance

Tuesday- Cooking

Wednesday- Music

Thursday- P.E.

Friday- Free Play

Juniper and Pinon  
Pine Classrooms

\*2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday  
of the month  
storyteller from  
Hillerman Library .

Desert Willow  
Classroom

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the  
month, storyteller  
from Cherry Hills  
Library.

## Office News

What a wonderful time this fall season brings. From hot air balloons to pumpkin patch visits, the celebration of Halloween and the harvest of crops.

We hope that our families are enjoying the season as much as we are. Lately, our students are taking advantage of the cooler weather days and spending time outdoors. It seems it is that time of the year to start pulling out those long sleeves and jackets.



*Ella and Gayatri with Ms. Wendy, dissecting a pumpkin to see what's inside.*

We want to take this opportunity to thank our parent volunteers for making our International Children's Day event beautiful. We could not have done it without your help!

## WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT MONTH

### NOVEMBER

Important Dates to Remember:

- Veteran's Day/  
No School 11<sup>th</sup>
- 3-6 Student  
Presentations  
21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>
- 2-4 Parent  
Observations  
21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>
- Parent/Teacher  
Conferences/  
No School 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>
- Thanksgiving Break/  
No School 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>

### DECEMBER

Important Dates to Remember:

- Holiday Concert  
20<sup>th</sup>
- Winter Break/  
No School  
23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>  
30<sup>th</sup>-Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>

### JANUARY

Important Dates to Remember:

- Teacher Inservice/  
No School 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>
- School Resumes  
8<sup>th</sup>
- MLK Jr Day/  
No School 20<sup>th</sup>

# CLASSROOM NEWS

OCTOBER 2024

MS. TAMMY & MS. LISA

## PINON PINE CLASSROOM

In **November**, we will be learning about birds, the different seasons, and ways to continue caring for our environment. Our class will have discussions on Thanksgiving and why we celebrate the holiday. We will also read books about harvest and learn ways we can keep our bodies healthy.



*Rhys holding a ladybug prop during morning songs.*



*Madeline, Bryce, Lawrence and Prerana learning how to ride a tricycle.*

The students will have an opportunity to make bird houses and binoculars and do some bird watching this month. They will also be taking turns in watering our classroom plants.

The students have been learning how to be gentle and kind to one another. We are also practicing using our words, please and thank you, and are continuing to learn how to follow directions and be good listeners in the classroom.

To celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday, our class will be making turkeys and thankful trees out of feathers.

Our daily routine of morning circle, sharing, calendar, weather, attendance and morning songs has been a crucial part of our day.

A class of new friends plus a new school year equals a great start in the Pinon Pine class. In the month of October, our class has been working on many fun units of study.

In **Science**, we have been learning about the bones in our body and the life cycle of a pumpkin. We are looking forward to cutting open a pumpkin and learning about what is inside. Students have been creating art projects to go with this unit of study as well.

*Lawrence, Prerana, Akoya and Rhys creating apple trees.*



Thank you to all our families for your continued support in our school year events. We appreciate you!

PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO  
BE INDEPENDENT IN ACTIVITIES AT  
HOME!

# JUNIPER CLASSROOM

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MS. RENEE & MS. RAVEN



Archie creating his continent map.



Marcel creating mosaic apple art.

It's hard to believe that we are already in October and approaching the holidays!

It's been a great time for our class to learn about **Botany**. We have been talking about harvest and this month we are learning about the parts of a pumpkin and their life cycle. We will be cutting into one and exploring it.

The students have also started the study of the leaf, discussing why they change colors and fall from the trees. They have enjoyed using watercolors to paint leaves.

This month in **Zoology**, we continued our unit of study on mammals. In our class, we focused on different mammals that live on a farm. The children enjoyed working with the farm materials and learning how important farms are to us.

We have also been learning about the human body and why it's important to eat healthy food and get plenty of rest and exercise. This brought us to the focus on our skeleton and having healthy bones. We will end our Zoology unit learning about bats.

In **Geography**, we have been learning about the continents and oceans of the world, along with learning our directions. We also discussed how a compass works.

This month, we started our unit on North America and will continue our study through Thanksgiving, with a focus on New Mexico.

The children continue to amaze us with the work they are doing. We are excited for student presentations and conferences in November.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO ALL  
OUR UPCOMING EVENTS AND  
HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES!

Violet G. concentrating on her bead stair work.



# CLASSROOM NEWS

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MS. WENDY AND MS. ROSALBA

## DESERT WILLOW CLASSROOM

### HIGHLIGHT:

*We would like to acknowledge LuAna this semester. She started in the summer program and has blossomed in the world of academics. She has a love for learning and is striving in Language and Math. Way to go LuAna!*



*LuAna using the bead stairs to complete her math work.*

In our classroom, the children have adjusted to their class schedule and have been eager to receive new lessons. Kindergartners have started on their contracts and homework packets for the semester.

In the **Cultural** unit of study, we learned about hot air balloons and their parts. Fun art projects were done as well! The continent of North America was what we studied next. We learned what countries make up the land and looked at their environments. There was discussions on how we are the same and different and how children around the world live.

In **Botany**, we studied parts of a leaf and learned about the process of how leaves change color. The magic words that we used were chlorophyll and photosynthesis. We also learned about the parts of an apple and pumpkin.

In **Science**, we have been studying the skeleton and learned the number of bones we have in our bodies, 206. Our class also enjoyed being apart of fun activities that helped us learn the names of some of our bones.



*Miles working with the sandpaper letters.*

In **Zoology**, we continued our studies on mammals. We explored parts of a horse, the life cycle of a squirrel and learned bat facts! The kindergartners even choose an animal to do a report/project on and they presented their work to the class. They did a great job practicing their public speaking skills.

In the month of November, we will be focusing on the First Thanksgiving and talking about how and why it came about. We will also be looking at some of the Indigenous people of our state. There will be discussions on what we are thankful for as well.

The month will also bring us to studying our inner bodies and learning their functions. We will also explore the layers of the Earth and will dive into learning about the parts of a feather.

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THE HOLIDAYS WILL SOON BE UPON US. WE HOPE EVERYONE STAYS SAFE AND HEALTHY!

"Early childhood education is the key to the betterment of society."  
-Maria Montessori

## Birthdays



### Pinon Pine

10/6 Ethan  
12/21 Maddie  
12/27 Prerana

### Juniper

10/4 Violet M.  
10/23 Gavriel  
11/30 Marcel  
12/4 Violet G.

### Desert Willow

10/13 Kai  
10/27 Dylan  
12/2 Ava  
12/12 Gayatri



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MS. EMMA

## 3-6 AFTERCARE CLASSROOM



*Mariana showing off the class decoration for International Children's Day.*



*LuAna, Ella, Mariana and Kai creating hot air balloons out of tissue paper.*

I can't believe it's the end of October! The students have been working on a variety of crafts & activities this month.

We made a Group Poster for Childhood Cancer Awareness and participated in making a few decorations for International Children's Day. We are going to continue with fall themed projects for the rest of the month.

We also enjoyed participating in our bouncy ball competition. The students had a blast making their own bouncy balls by creating their own unique colors, shapes and patterns. The competition was to see which ball had the most, bounce.

In November we will be focusing on kindness and being thankful.

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