

ABSORBENT OBSERVER

December 2021

Another Fun, Fall Semester!

Our community of students, teachers, and families has truly blossomed this semester! It has been such a joy to welcome so many new friends and siblings into the array of ways we encourage our students curiosity and creativity. From motor skills to social skills, group activities to independent work, we strive to provide every child in our care with a multitude of ways to learn about themselves, others, and the world around them.

If this semester is any indication, we are confident that the efforts and hard work of our staff are achieving these goals and we thank everyone involved! We look forward to continuing this work in 2022.



- 1 Friends of all ages keep our garden growing and beautiful.
- 2 Our students love to take a break with independent activities. happiness.
- 3 We enjoyed many mindfulness and movement classes.
- **4** Our story times are plentiful and spontaneously inspired by the children.
- **5** Our students' creativity displays itself in both open ended, as well as directed crafts.
- **6** There's nothing tastier than food you've grown yourself!
- **7** Even our youngest students are driven to explore and learn.
- **8** Free time to play outside with their friends is key to our students' happiness.
- **9** Puzzles keep the children busy and challenged.
- **10** A key benefit of outdoor play is how broadly it inspires our imaginations.
- 11 Our students are integral in taking care of our space.
- 12 Mud! Mud! Mud is so fun!
- 13 Cooperative games are an important way to practice social skills.
- 14 Music time is such a great way to celebrate and learn!

THANK YOU SO MUCH

We would like to take the time to say a HUGE thank you to Diane, the parent group, and all of our families for the generous teacher gifts this season. Our staff is blown away by how appreciated you have all made us feel, and on behalf of everyone we thank you so much.

Being an outdoor, early childhood educator is a rewarding but uniquely challenging calling. Pisgah Collective and our families are so very fortunate to have such a substantial group of dedicated educators.

It means so much to everyone on staff to know how much our families understand and appreciate the very important work that we feel so lucky to do each day. Thank you!

friends SECOND ANNUAL SUPPORTING OUTDOOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

We only have 3 more days of this year's Holiday Hoopla! We want to thank everyone who has donated and helped spread the word so far. As we wrap up the final week, we want to remind everyone how much of a difference every dollar makes. We have been able to improve and grow our program, and offer more and more scholarships thanks to the generous donations over the years.

Week 3: 12/12 - 12/17

\$25+ Postcard pack/stickers

\$50+ \$25 Pisgah Collective merch gift card

100+ Handmade crayon initials (you pick 3 + surprise symbol!)

\$250+ Personalized video or song from child or teacher

The person who gives the highest donation this week gets:

Hand drawn portrait of your student by a local artist

Our fundraising goal this week is \$3,500: to go towards our scholarship program. If we reach this week's goal, we will host a float trip and family picnic for students and their families!

DONATE ONLINE: "Amounts over these goals will go into the general fund for support of Pisgah Collective" "These are tax deductible donations!"

FRIENDSOFPISGAHCOLLECTIVE.ORG

REMINDER:

FOR SCHOOL CLOSURES, DELAYS, AND OTHER IMPORTANT UPDATES. WE USE THIS METHOD AND SEND AN EMAIL TO COMMUNICATE. PLEASE SHARE WITH THOSE HELPING WITH DROP OFF AND PICK UP.

Mornings:

Send a text to

Scholarships

81010

Text this message

@sproutmo

Afternoons:

Send a text to

81010

Text this message

@seedlingaf

PARENT INFO

Reminder that we have a parent page on our website with quick access to important info as well as a O & A form for families!

https://www.pisgahcollective. com/parent-page

PHOTO

For those of you that may not know, we post program info and updates on Instagram and Facebook. If you do not have an account, you can still access and enjoy photos through our website! Also, if you ever see a photo posted of your child that you would like access to, shoot

us an email!

Important Dates

- Last Day of Fall Semester Mornings: December 17
- CLOSED: Winter Break December 20 - January 7
- First Day of Spring Semester Mornings: January 10 Afternoons: January 24
- CLOSED: MLK Day January 17
- CLOSED: President's Day February 21
- **CLOSED: Spring Break** April 11-18
- Save the Date: Field Day Saturday, April 23
- Last Day of Spring Semester Afternoons: Thursday, May 12 Mornings: Friday, May 20

Spring Payment #1 Due: Wednesday, Jan 12

(morning sprouts & afternoon seedlings)