

2025 NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER VALLEY BAPTIST PRESCHOOL



A Message from Melissa

I can't believe November is here already! All the warm feelings of thankfulness and gratitude are upon us. I am truly blessed to call Valley Preschool my community. I love walking into our preschool door each day knowing that I will be surrounded by caring families and our fantastic staff team. As an added bonus, God has blessed us with a beautiful fall season. The trees are so colorful and the landscaping looks gorgeous.

Thank you for all your love and support as we grow these kids up God's way. Stay well and rested,

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- Now through 11/13: Thanksgiving Food Drive (See flyer)
- Now through 11/14: Parent Connection Used Toy and Book Sale (See flyer)
- Tuesday, 11/11: Chick fil A spirit night, 3 to 7 pm (See flyer)
- Wednesday, 11/26 - Friday, 11/28: **Thanksgiving Break - Preschool Closed**
- Monday, 12/1: Preschool reopens



Enrollment Opportunities

There are some limited, preschool day openings in our Infants, Ones, Twos, and PreK classrooms for new families or for those wishing to increase days of care. Please contact the office as soon as possible for more information.

We also have limited spots in Extended Care:

- Infants/Ones Before Care and After Care until 3:30 pm
- Twos After Care until 3:30 pm on Monday/Wed/Friday
- Twos and Older After Care until 5 pm on Tues - Friday



Changing Seasons, Changing Wardrobe

Please help us keep your child comfortable during the colder months.

- Dress your child in layers - temps can fluctuate in the classrooms. We try to go outside even on colder days, so we like to be prepared for these weather ranges.
- Please make sure **all clothing (especially jackets and sweatshirts) are labeled** with your child's name.
- Please remember to replenish and/or switch out extra clothes for the cooler weather, especially for potty training children.

Healthy School, Happy School

- If your child was given any OTC medication in the morning, including throat or cough drops, to treat cold symptoms, please keep them home from school for monitoring.
- A fever is considered 100.4 F and above. Children must remain home until the fever has been gone for 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medication.
- Nasal discharge should be clear and not thick and colored.
- Necessary allergy meds and antibiotics should be given at home. However, if needed, the preschool can administer medications with approved paperwork signed by the doctor.

CLASSROOM UPDATES

HAPPENINGS IN NOVEMBER



Miss Jessy & Miss Naomi's Infants

Our Munchkins have come a long way since the beginning of the year! We are entering November, which inspires us to think about the things which we are thankful for. I would like to share that I am thankful for my role as your child's teacher and caregiver at Valley Baptist Preschool. We are also thankful for supportive families like you, as well as, for the opportunity to know and work with your children. We really appreciate our amazing families for working with us to maintain a healthy environment, which will ultimately keep us in school!

Our November themes are the Fall Harvest, Being Thankful, and Thanksgiving! When we come back from the Thanksgiving break full and rested, we will jump into the Christmas season! Once again, thank you for a great school year so far and we look forward to the days ahead.

Miss Maria's Infants

We are excited to start another month in the infant room with your babies. I've truly been enjoying your babies during this fall time. I am thankful for supportive families like you.

Friendly reminders:

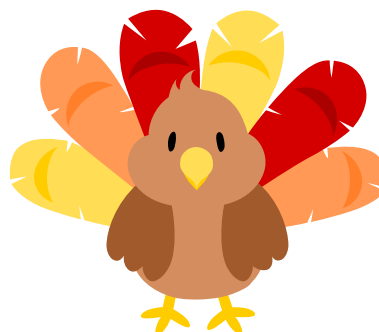
- Please make sure to sign your child in and out every day.
- Please pack appropriate extra clothes for the changing weather.
- Please make sure all items are labeled.

Miss Tiffany & Miss Michelle's Ones

It's hard to believe that November is already here! The children have grown so much over the past few months – becoming more confident, curious, and engaged in all of our classroom activities. We are so proud of their progress and love seeing their personalities shine each day!

November Themes

Fall Harvest
Weather
Thanksgiving



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Miss Angie & Miss Maya's Twos

The past few weeks have been filled with growth and many exciting celebrations. As we welcome November, we will focus on our feelings and emotions, especially gratitude and thankfulness. For personal and social development this month, we will continue to encourage the practice of good manners, supporting our classmates, and providing each other personal space.

During November, we will have many engaging activities and art opportunities such as painting stones and adding to our classroom collaborative thankfulness tree. We will continue to talk about a letter, shape, number, and color each week. The children are truly learning a lot !

We look forward to more fun fall days with our kiddos.

Miss Molly & Miss Dara's Twos

Happy November!

Our class had such a fun October, getting excited for Halloween. We LOVED seeing and hearing about everyone's costumes! This month, we're focusing on following simple directions, discussing things we are thankful for, (or things we love), and we are looking forward to celebrating Thanksgiving with our families. We'll keep working on fine motor skills with fun sensory bins and activities, as well as our letters, shapes, numbers and colors!

We continue to be thankful for all of our amazing little friends and we love seeing their smiling faces every day!

November Themes

Fruits and Veggies
Dinosaurs
Transportation
Thankfulness/Thanksgiving



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Miss Laura and Miss Kate's Threes

We sang:
Good-bye to October
Adios! It's been fun!
Hello to November
Here we come!

Our class is very busy! We are learning about Thanksgiving. We are also sharing our family traditions for this wonderful holiday and all that we thank God for. Our art projects will include painting the Mayflower and making dream catchers.

We are already learning some fun Thanksgiving poems and songs. Poetry, rhyme, and memorization are such important pre-reading skills. Our new letters are D & E, and we continue to review A, B, & C. We have learned to write letter A and will start learning to spell and write our names.

The math skills that we are focusing on are number recognition for 4 & 5, while we review 1, 2, & 3. We are also recognizing basic shapes and the AABBAABB pattern on the calendar with acorns and leaves.

As Thanksgiving approaches we hope to share some treats with Miss Betz & Miss Mandy's class and pretend we are having a feast together-- celebrating with music !

Miss Betz & Miss Amanda's Threes

We have been blessed with such beautiful fall weather and we have been enjoying our time outside on the playground. We are having a wonderful time discovering all things Fall. We continue to work on our math skills by counting and learning our shapes.

During November, we will be learning about the different types of transportation, community helpers, and Thanksgiving. We have started to discuss what we are thankful for. We started practicing for our Christmas program along with learning new Thanksgiving songs along with music and movement. We are very busy!

We will be giving each child a "Thankful Feather" on Monday, 11/10. This is an activity the whole family can get involved with! On the feather we ask you to put down what your child is thankful for. You can be as creative as you want to be. You can use pom-poms, glitter, markers, crayons, or anything your heart desires! Please return your child's feather no later than Monday, 11/17. We will place him on our Tom Turkey who will be hanging in our classroom. It has been a blessing having the opportunity to teach your children. We are looking forward to a fun holiday season together.

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Miss Emily, Miss Maniya, and Miss Celina's PreK

We've had a wonderful fall so far! The children are growing in confidence, friendship, and curiosity. This month we're focusing on thankfulness, family, and God's blessings as we enjoy the beauty of autumn and prepare for Thanksgiving.

Math/Science: Exploring patterns in nature, counting numbers, and even practicing left and right directions.

Christian Education: Focusing on gratitude—thanking God for our families, friends, and blessings through Bible stories and songs.

Language Arts/Literacy: Practicing letters E–H and letter sounds with stories, rhymes, and songs.

Creative Arts: Creating letter artwork, fall activities, and Thanksgiving crafts to express creativeness.

Active/Physical: Building coordination, balance, and teamwork through games, movement, and play.

We're so thankful for each child and family; we look forward to a joyful month of learning and gratitude!



Miss Cindy, Miss Maniya, and Miss Celina's PreK

We are giving thanks this month in so many ways!

Language Arts: We will be reading stories about families, friends, and other special blessings that we have. Our letter focus will be Hh, Ii, Jj, Kk and Ll and we will be listing blessings for each letter.

Fine Motor Skills: We will practice our writing skills by listing some of our blessings on a cornucopia.

Math: We will begin learning how to order numbers and also begin working with odd and even numbers. Big Book Math will help us continue with patterns and using shapes in our daily lives.

STEM: We will build structures from Magna Tiles according to the designated shape.

We will begin the month studying bears, learning about their habitats and how some bears are endangered. Then we will explore the night sky, learning about the moon, its climate, and its phases, along with stars and galaxies.

Social Studies: We will discuss Thanksgiving and its traditions.

Bible Lesson: We are thankful.

We hope everyone has a blessed November!

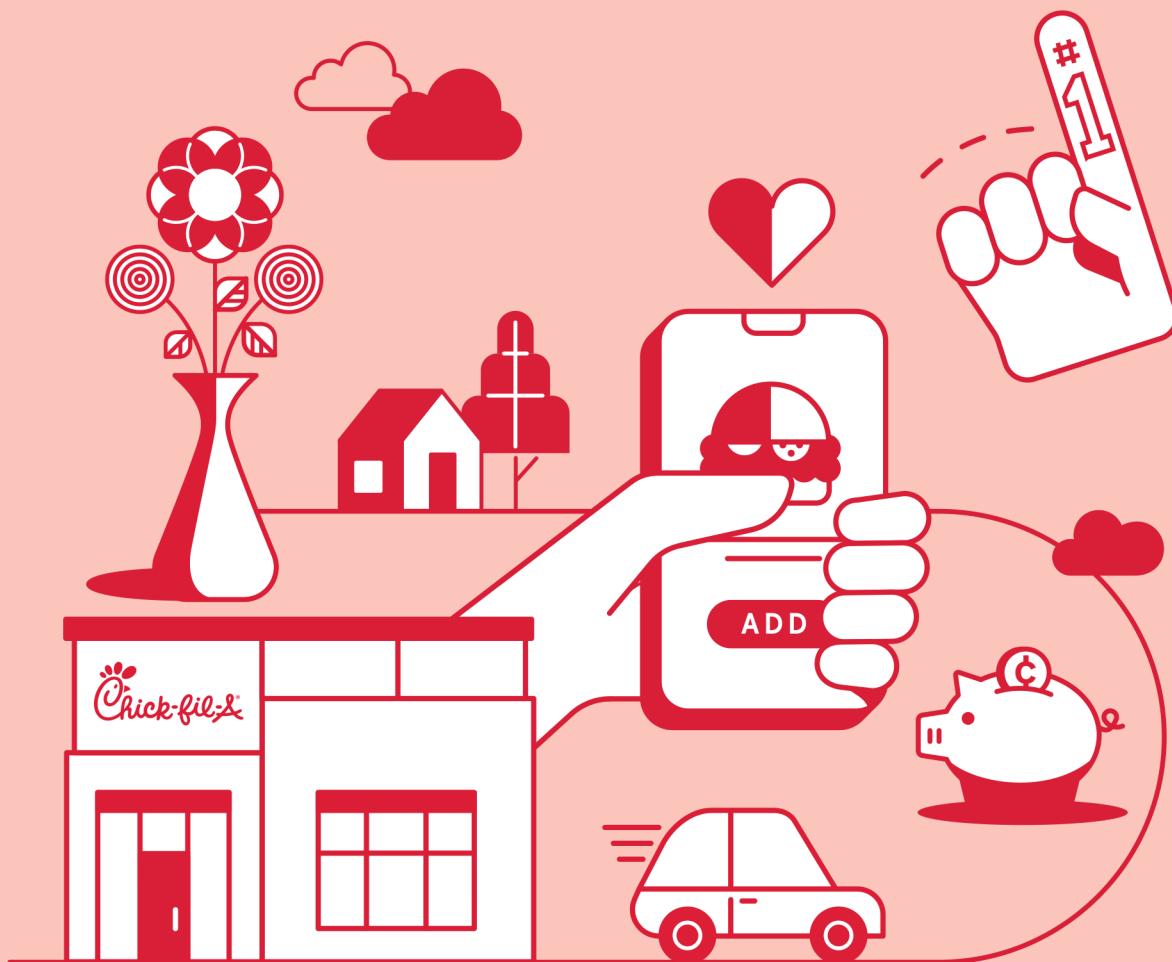


Community Care Event

Tuesday, November 11th, 2025

3:00 PM- 7:00 PM

Join Valley Baptist Preschool for food and fun!
Support your local organization and a portion of the night's sales will be donated accordingly. The mobile order code is "valley" (case sensitive).



HUNT VALLEY TOWNE CENTRE
YORK ROAD, COCKEYSVILLE



PARENT CONNECTION

GENTLY USED TOY & BOOK SALE

**Clear out your space by donating
gently used toys and books!**

**Drop off to the office
November 3-7**



**Shop the sale
November 10-14 in the
STEM Room**

**Proceeds to benefit
Parent Connection
goals and events.**





THANKS GIVING

Food Drive

Join us in collecting food for the
ACTC (Assistance Center of Towson Churches)
Thanksgiving Food Baskets.

Food Will Be Collected in a box outside
of the Preschool Office between November 3 and November 13

ACTC Suggested Donations

Infants and Ones: canned fruit (20-30 oz) or canned
sweet potato/yam (23-29 oz)

Twos: canned vegetables (15 oz) or canned cranberry
sauce

Threes: packaged mac & cheese, instant mashed potato
(13 oz), or packaged cake/brownie mix

PreK: stuffing mix or rice (16 oz)



'THE 2nd ANNUAL MARYLAND HOLIDAY LIGHT SPECTACULAR'
MARYLAND STATE FAIRGROUNDS INFIELD - DECEMBER 5th - 30th

mdholidaylights.com



Get discounted tickets and earn money back for Valley Baptist Preschool!

HOW IT WORKS:

- Valley Baptist Preschool has its own **SPECIAL COUPON CODE: VALLEY10**
- You save 10% off the ADVANCED PURCHASE of tickets and ticket add-ons by going to the ticket link: mdholidaylights.com and using the coupon code: VALLEY10
- Valley Baptist Preschool also earns 10% back from purchases made by using the coupon code: VALLEY10.
- Each ticket purchased is discounted and there are NO Blackout dates or restrictions. There is NO minimum number of tickets that must be purchased. The only thing you can't do is combine this discount with any other discounts.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Over a million illuminated lights and larger-than-life holiday scenes, including Maryland-themed displays like Mistletoe Marina, Jingle Bell Junction Farm, and Symphony of Illumination.
- A Holiday Village with boutiques, shops, rotating food trucks, and seasonal treats.
- Fun activities for kids, including a Moon Bounce, Holiday Carnival rides, and visits from Santa through December 23.
- Select evenings feature live performances from ballerinas and entertainers (check website for schedule).
- Event hours: 5:30 PM - 10 PM (varies on select dates; see website for details). The walk-thru experience is safe and accessible for strollers, scooters, and wheelchairs.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

2 - Miss Jessy
12 - James F
17 - Charlie O
24 - Miss Celina
25 - Sully
25 - Whit

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - Luther
14 - Slade
16 - Lawson
17 - Maggie
19 - Harper
27 - James N
30 - Miss Lisa