

October

Ms. Anna's Classroom Newsletter Specials

Animal Enrichment



We celebrated Heritage Farm Week with our friends Ruby the Cow and Candy Ann the Mule. The Kids even got to watch, along with their book buddies, Ms. Ellen training the sheep!

As a special treat the kids decorated bags and boxes of hay and carrots

for a delicious enrichment for Candy Ann. She enjoyed it A LOT! Candy Ann then showed the kids how she can paint! The kiddies were able to choose what colors Candy Ann used when painting.

So much fun to watch!



We got to visit our elephant friends, Jothi and Surapa, one last time before their big move. They showed us their artistic side by painting with a paint brush using their big trunks. They even dipped their HUGE feet into paint to make an impression on a canvas for us to keep.

How cool is that?



Animal Ambassador Visit

The book buddies have been reading Halloween books to us and saw animals like snakes, owl, and wolf looked so scary. So, we brought in the experts to show us that these animals are not scary at all. Ms. Kat, who is the Herpetology Keeper, visited us with a very interesting friend named Amelia. She is a 5-year old, Eastern Indigo Snake. The kids had a chance to touch Amelia! They learned that her skin was rough and bumpy, not slimy. Ms. Jane brought in a snake skin for biofact presentation and explained how snakes change skin when they get bigger just like how we buy new clothes when we get bigger or taller to fit into our new clothes.



Ms. Sarah, Animal Program Specialist came in our classroom with "Bobby," a three-year old, Great horned owl. We loved her big yellow eyes, wings, and claws. We learned a new word, "nocturnal" as Ms. Sarah explained how she likes staying up late at night. She was interested with the big spider decoration we have up. But she was very good staying with her teacher, Ms. Sarah and didn't leave her side.



Wolves were included in one of the Halloween animals we read in the classroom and so we visited the Maned wolf here in the Zoo. We saw only one wolf sleeping on a rock and noticed that his ears were turning in a different direction like Tashi, the Rhino!



Visiting Experts



We did so many fun art activities this month with Ms. Lindsay! She helped us with making our puppets that we used to put on a puppet show. She helped us with adding our own hand and foot prints to the elephants. Ms. Lindsay even helped us with Candy Ann's painting.

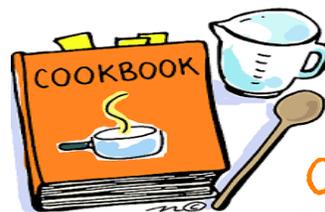
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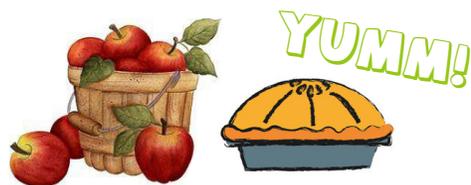
Our first celebration as a class was a HIT! Trick or Treating throughout the Zoo with our friends and family was a blast! Playing games, doing crafts and having snacks with everyone was such fun. It was such a great day! The kids loved sharing this celebration with everyone.

Plus, how awesome were all the costumes?!



Cooking with Ms. Anna

This month we embraced a Fall favorite...APPLES! We made delicious applesauce and apple pie. Both were so fun to make and even better to taste.



Shout Outs

Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday to Ms. Barb!!



Thank you to Mystery readers, Caitlin, Charlene, and Diane for coming in and reading great books to us!



Thank you to, Ethan, for helping decorate for our Make Believe Day!

