In the classroom

We begin the month in outer space! Spaceships, stars, and astronauts will take us to the moon and beyond! We will create shining stars, figure out how to collect stars in jars, watch a rocket launch, and design our own space aliens! Our cooking day will find us making out of this world smoothies!

Next up, some seasonal fun! Our music day will be filled with the sounds of the Nutcracker. We’ll play games with some silly reindeer, explore tree branches, and practice wrapping packages. Our month ends with the Grinch!

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Winter Break Camps!
Ms. Larissa and Coach Jesse will be leading camps over the winter break for ages 3-6 and 6-9.

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More information can be found in the winter catalog (available in December).

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Mark Your Calendars!

Winter Break!

Friday, December 20, is the last day of class before the Winter Break begins. School will resume on Wednesday, January 8.

Have a wonderful winter break!

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Thanks for remembering coats and mittens for those cold Colorado days! Please label all belongings and help your child practice putting their coats on by themselves. Coats should be hung on the cubby hooks, boots can be left on the boot trays in the hallway, and hats/mittens should be stuffed into coat sleeves.
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November in Building Blocks!

I Have A Turkey
(Sung to the tune of ‘Happy Birthday’)
I have a turkey big and fat
He spreads his tail and walks like that
His daily corn he would not miss
And when he talks he sounds like this:
GOBBLE GOBBLE!

In music this month we
listened to Hayden’s
Surprise Symphony,
jumping up when the
music was loud and
dancing close to the
floor when it was quiet.
We also played a turkey
game, gobbling loud
and quiet as we
searched for hidden
turkeys!

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Corn Muffins!

You’ll need:
* 1/2 cup butter
* 2/3 cup sugar
* 1/4 cup honey
* 2 eggs
* 1/2 tsp salt
* 1 1/2 cups flour
* 3/4 cup cornmeal
* 1/2 tsp baking powder
* 1/2 cup milk
* 3/4 cup frozen corn

To make:
* Preheat oven to 400 de-
grees. Lightly grease a
muffin pan.
* In a large bowl, cream
butter and sugar. Add
honey, eggs, and salt.
* In another bowl, mix flour,
cornmeal, and baking
powder. Add to butter
and sugar mix.
* Pour in milk and stir until
smooth. Fold in corn.
* Bake for 20-25 minutes.
* Cool and enjoy!

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Stone Soup!

"Bring what you’ve got
Put it in the pot.
Every bit counts,
From largest to the least
Together we can celebrate
A Stone Soup feast!
From Stone Soup,
retold by Heather Forest

We chopped vegetables, stirred
them all together, put them in the
pot, and enjoyed our own Stone
Soup!

Some November books:
Big Red Barn by Margaret Wise Brown
10 Clean/10 Dirty Pigs by Carol Roth
Popcorn by Frank Asch
One of Each by Mary Ann Hoberman
This is the Turkey by Abby Levine
Where is Turkey Lurking by Stephanie St.
Pierre
Mouse Mess by Linnea Asplind Riley
Stone Soup retold by Heather Forest
The Bag I’m Taking to Grandma’s by Shirley
Neitzel