

October 2020

Shasta College ECE Lab Preschool

Attendance/Front Office phone & message center: (530) 242-7601

Dear Families,

Autumn is here with its crisp mornings, crunchy leaves and pumpkin spice in the air! In keeping with our seasonal theme, our classrooms are planning an “on-site” Pumpkin Patch! The children will select their own pumpkins to decorate, if they wish. Teachers will extend the learning with studies of the pumpkin life cycle, roasting of pumpkin seeds and baking pumpkin pie!

In late October/early November, Parent/Family-Teacher VIRTUAL Conferences will be offered. Your child’s teacher will contact you to schedule a day/time and preferred option—phone, FaceTime, Skype or Messenger Video Chat.

As you all know, our Outdoor Classroom option is open for play, **rain-or-shine!** With this in mind, your child will need to keep extra clothing in his/her cubbie!

Thank you for your ongoing support of our program. We truly appreciate you 😊

~Tami, ECE Center Director



Upcoming Dates

OCTOBER 2

Minimum Day for All Children

NOVEMBER 6

Minimum Day for All Children

NOVEMBER 11

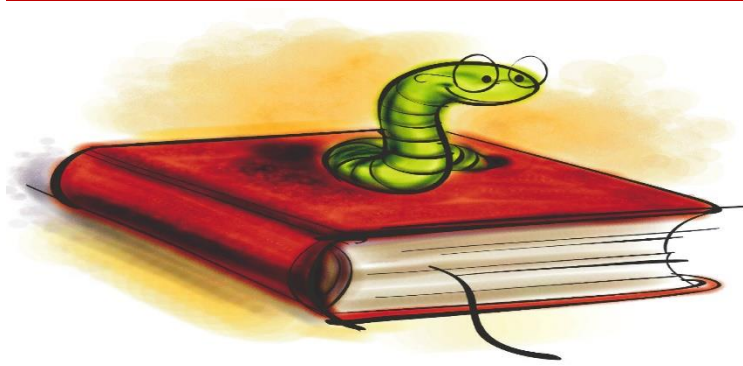
No School – Veterans Day



[Purpleair.com](https://purpleair.com)

Each day we monitor the air quality using the Purpleair.com website. Shasta College has a sensor installed so we keep the Outdoor Classroom option open when the reading is 150 or below. 😊

RAISING A READER PROGRAM IS ON HIATUS!



BUT, KEEP READING WITH YOUR CHILD EACH DAY--AN IMPORTANT PART OF THEIR HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT! 😊

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT

Supporting children to grow and develop at their own healthy pace is truly a team effort. Our teachers and your family make up your child's early childhood educational team—with the shared goal to provide an optimal environment for learning and healthy development. Sometimes, even with an enriched, intentional learning environment, a child needs (or could benefit from) additional developmental support—usually from specialty services (e.g., speech, social-emotional/behavioral or other developmental support professionals). We depend on you, the parents/family, to complete the ASQ (Ages and Stages Questionnaire) assessment tool in order to provide information about your child's development. (Thank you for completing this through our new online method.) This enables our teachers to use the information while they complete their classroom developmental assessments (i.e., DRDP and Developmental Domains) during the semester/year. By working together, any areas needing extra support can be identified and addressed early on. The earlier the developmental need is supported, the more likely developmental growth success is realized for the child. Please speak with your child's teacher if you believe your child might need extra support. Speech and developmental assessments are available for children ages 3+ through our school district. Parent/Guardian permission is required before we can arrange this. Also, check out the First 5 Shasta resource, website "Help Me Grow" at: <http://www.helpmegrowshasta.com/> for LOTS more info. 😊



IN OUR NORCAL COMMUNITY:

Watch for community Autumn and Harvest events for families. We will email info as we receive it...



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