



GIDNEY AVENUE MEMORIAL SCHOOL PRE-K PROGRAM NEWS LETTER

November 2025



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

As we step into November, our classrooms are full of excitement, curiosity, and gratitude! This time of year gives us a wonderful opportunity to reflect on all we have to be thankful for—our amazing students, supportive families, and dedicated teachers who make every day special.

What's Happening in November

Our Pre-K learners are exploring themes of thankfulness, fall changes, and friendship. Teachers are incorporating fun hands-on activities like leaf sorting, nature walks, and gratitude crafts to help children understand the season and its values.

We're also focusing on important early learning skills:

Language: Building vocabulary through seasonal stories and songs

Math: Counting, comparing sizes, and identifying shapes in nature

Social-Emotional Growth: Practicing kindness, sharing, and expressing gratitude

Family Connection

Ask your child:

“What are you thankful for today?”

“What colors do you see in the leaves?”

“Who is a good friend in your class?”

These small conversations build language skills and help children connect classroom learning to home.

I want to take a moment to thank you for your partnership. Watching our Pre-K students grow more independent, curious, and confident each week is such a joy. Your support—reading at home, encouraging routines, and sharing in special events—makes a world of difference.

Wishing your family a warm, safe, and joyful Thanksgiving season!

Janavette Urena
Co-Principal
Gidney Avenue Memorial School

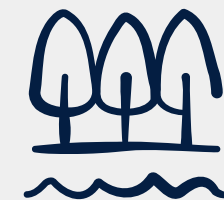
UPCOMING EVENTS



HALF DAY STUDENTS

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Students will have a ½ day and teacher's will have professional development. Only Tier 2 and Tier 3 schools.



VETERANS DAY

11/11/25

The District is closed as we honor all who have served in the U.S. armed forces, celebrating their patriotism, courage, and sacrifice in times of war and peace.



THANKSGIVING BREAK

11/26/25-11/28/25

District Closed

WE WISH YOU A WONDERFUL
BREAK WITH YOUR LOVED ONES.



DISTRICT NEWS

SUPERINTENDENT'S
CONVERSATIONS SERIES

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WALL CALENDARS

Wall calendars will be distributed to the youngest and only child of each family soon. You will find it in your child's backpack. Families can always add letter days and school/district events to their Google calendar for the most up to date information.

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE CONTINUED

☀️ Tips for Pre-K Parents

🏠 **1. Build Routines at Home**

Children thrive on consistency. Create simple morning and bedtime routines—like brushing teeth, reading a short story, and setting out clothes for the next day. Predictable routines help kids feel secure and ready to learn.

📖 **2. Read Together Every Day**

Even 10 minutes a day makes a big difference! Read aloud, talk about the pictures, and ask questions ("What do you think will happen next?"). This builds vocabulary, comprehension, and a lifelong love of books.

💡 **3. Encourage Conversation**

Talk with your child throughout the day—during meals, car rides, or while shopping. Ask open-ended questions ("What did you build at school today?").

🎨 **4. Let Them Be Creative**

Provide crayons, blocks, playdough, or cardboard boxes and let their imaginations soar. Open-ended play builds problem-solving and fine motor skills—plus, it's fun!

🧸 **5. Practice Independence**

Allow your child to try things on their own—zipping their coat, pouring water, or cleaning up toys. It might take longer, but it builds confidence and responsibility.

❤️ **6. Praise Effort, Not Just Results**

Celebrate trying, not just "getting it right." Say things like, "I love how hard you worked on that puzzle!" This teaches perseverance and a growth mindset.

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ACTUALIZACIÓN DE LA DIRECTORA

Al comenzar noviembre, nuestras aulas rebosan de emoción, curiosidad y gratitud. Esta época del año nos brinda una maravillosa oportunidad para reflexionar sobre todo lo que agradecemos: nuestros increíbles estudiantes, nuestras familias que nos apoyan y nuestros dedicados maestros que hacen que cada día sea especial.

Qué está pasando en noviembre

Nuestros alumnos de Preescolar están explorando temas como la gratitud, los cambios otoñales y la amistad. Los maestros están incorporando divertidas actividades prácticas como clasificar hojas, paseos por la naturaleza y manualidades de gratitud para ayudar a los niños a comprender la estación y sus valores. También nos estamos enfocando en importantes habilidades de aprendizaje temprano:

Lenguaje: Desarrollar vocabulario a través de cuentos y canciones.

Matemáticas: Contar, comparar tamaños e identificar formas en la naturaleza.

Crecimiento socioemocional: Practicar la amabilidad, compartir y expresar gratitud.

Conexión familiar

Pregúntale a tu hijo:

"¿De qué estás agradecido hoy?"

"¿Qué colores ves en las hojas?"

"¿Quién es un buen amigo en tu clase?"

Estas breves conversaciones desarrollan las habilidades lingüísticas y ayudan a los niños a conectar el aprendizaje en el aula con el hogar.

Quiero tomarme un momento para agradecerles su colaboración. Ver a nuestros alumnos crecer más independientes, curiosos y seguros cada semana es una gran alegría. Su apoyo —leyendo en casa, fomentando rutinas y compartiendo eventos especiales— marca la diferencia.

¡Les deseo a todos una cálida, segura y feliz temporada de Acción de Gracias!

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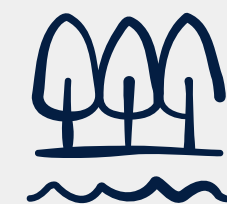
PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS



MEDIO DÍA PARA LOS ESTUDIANTES

11/5/25

Los estudiantes tendrán medio día
Solo escuelas de nivel 2 y 3.



DÍA DE LOS VETERANOS

11/11/2025

El Distrito permanecerá cerrado para honrar a todos los que sirvieron en las Fuerzas Armadas de los Estados Unidos, celebrando su patriotismo, valentía y sacrificio en tiempos de guerra y de paz.



ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS

11/26/25-11/28/25

¡Les deseamos unas vacaciones maravillosas con sus seres queridos!



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(CONTINUACIÓN)

☀️ Consejos para padres de niños en edad preescolar

🏠 1. **Crea rutinas en casa**

Los niños prosperan con la constancia. Crea rutinas sencillas para la mañana y la hora de dormir, cómo cepillarse los dientes, leer un cuento y preparar la ropa para el día siguiente. Las rutinas predecibles ayudan a los niños a sentirse seguros y listos para aprender.

📖 2. **Lean juntos todos los días**

¡Incluso 10 minutos al día marcan una gran diferencia! Lean en voz alta, hablen sobre las imágenes y hagan preguntas ("¿Qué crees que pasará después?"). Esto desarrolla vocabulario, comprensión y un amor por los libros para toda la vida.

💡 3. **Fomenta la conversación**

Habla con tu hijo a lo largo del día: durante las comidas, los viajes en coche o mientras hacen compras. Haz preguntas abiertas ("¿Qué construiste hoy en la escuela?").

🎨 4. **Déjalos ser creativos**

Dales crayones, bloques, plastilina o cajas de cartón y deja volar su imaginación. El juego libre desarrolla la resolución de problemas y la motricidad fina; además, ¡es divertido!

🧸 5. **Cultiva la independencia**

Permite que tu hijo intente cosas por sí solo: subirse abrigo, echar agua o recoger los juguetes. Puede que tarde más, pero desarrolla confianza y responsabilidad.

❤️ 6. **Elogia el esfuerzo, no solo los resultados**

Celebra el intento, no solo "hacerlo bien". Di cosas como: "¡Me encanta lo mucho que te esforzaste en ese rompecabezas!". Esto enseña perseverancia y una mentalidad de crecimiento.