



Moody Stars Monthly



NOVEMBER

Welcome to the November Issue of the Moody
Schools' Newsletter.



Welcome to our first newsletter of the year! We are excited to share highlights from across our schools each month and let you, our families, get a glimpse of the learning and growing happening. The artwork we share will be by our Moody students and books we share will be connected to our themes. Enjoy!

-Kristi-Lynn Craig, ECC Director

Calendar reminders:

- November 11th - No School
- November 15th - Picture Retakes for Moody on Main and Moody on the River
- November 18th - Picture Retakes for Moody on the River
- November 24th - ½ day with dismissal at 11:30, NO PM SESSION at Moody on Main
- November 25th and 26th - No School, Thanksgiving Break
- December 7th - Report Cards will go home
- December 23rd - ½ day with dismissal at 11:30, NO PM SESSION on Moody on Main
- December 24th-January 2nd - No School, Winter Break



TOP STORIES



Small Hands Small Tools!

by [The Occupational Therapy Team](#)



No Big Markers please!!! Children's hands are small and therefore need small tools that are easier for them to manipulate and hold.

- Don't be surprised if your student comes home and starts **breaking** their crayons!
 - We are asking teachers, parents and caregivers to have their student(s) use small pieces of crayons (1" or less) for coloring, drawing or writing. This will help develop the small muscles of their hand needed for a proper pencil grasp.
- We are also asking that you encourage your student(s) to color, paint, use chalk on an **Easel or Vertical surface** (tape paper to the wall, refrigerator, /chalk on a brick wall). Working at a vertical surface has so many positive benefits! Just to name a few:
 - Core, Shoulder and Elbow Stability
 - Wrist Extension
 - Improved Visual Attention





Books We Love!

by **Teachers and Staff**

Teachers and students have explored the following books ...

- [The Big Red Barn](#) by Margaret Wise Brown
- [Pete the Cat](#) by Eric Litwin and James Dean
- [We Are Grateful](#) by Traci Sorell



Ways to support our schools ...

by **Moody on Main and Moody on the River**

You can support the Moody Schools by ...

- Sending in tissues and hand wipes
- Participating in our PTO!
- Becoming a substitute

Routine Recommendations ...

by **the Moody Team**

- Identify one part of your day where you have a regular routine - like bedtime - and name that routine to your child. This helps your child begin to internalize what a routine is and how to follow a multi-step process.
 - “Our bedtime routine is ...”
 - First we ..
 - Next we ..
 - Last we ...
- All children benefit from a regular and predictable schedule.
- Encourage your child to identify their name - on belongings, on papers, etc.

Don't Forget ...

by **the Main Office**

- Students should come to school with a mask every day
- Pool Testing has begun! If you have any questions, please call Moody on the River.
- Fridays are parent contact days! This is a great day to set up a meeting with your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns to review.

Read more on our Websites:

[Moody on Main](#)
[Moody on the River](#)

Read more on our Facebook Pages:

[Moody on Main](#)
[Moody on the River](#)



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