

BLUE JAY NEWS

November 2014

What We're Interested in This Autumn



Farms & Farm Animals

Leah's recent introduction of "Old McDonald Had a Farm" to our morning meeting songs has piqued the children's interests. The children love to make farm animal noises, play with our animal figurines, & read farm-themed books.



Pumpkins, Leaves, & Fall Ephemera

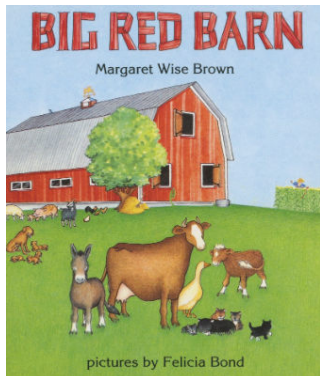
After noticing the children incorporating the fallen leaves into their outdoor play, educators have brought leaves (plus pumpkins & gourds) indoors too!



Babies

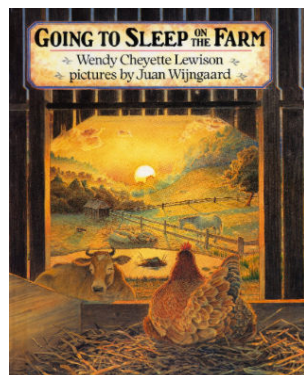
After an increase in dramatic play with babies, educators were inspired to put up the children's (& the educators'!) baby photos up on the wall. Please bring in a baby photo of your child if you have not already!

Blue Jay Books



Big Red Barn
by
Margaret W.
Brown

*Going To Sleep
on the Farm*
by
Wendy C. Lewison



If your family has any farm-themed books at home, we invite you to send them with your child to school so we can read them at morning meeting. Thanks!

Cold Weather Clothing



The Blue Jays, all lovers of the great outdoors, will continue to play outside at our usual times (early morning drop-off, before lunchtime, & following afternoon snack) whenever the weather meets the state requirements & faculty deem it appropriate. Please be sure to dress your child in warm layers & accessories so they can enjoy the playground & field trips comfortably through the winter. You may need to replace the summer clothes in your child's cubby as well. As the Scandinavians say: "There is no bad weather, only bad gear!"