



**Bobbie Noonan's Child Care  
Palos Hills  
Junior Journal  
Weeks of 11/9, 11/16, 11/23**

**Theme: Pilgrims, Native Americans & Thanksgiving**

- **Introduce - Numbers 7 & 8**
- **Manners - #5 "Talk with an empty mouth," #6 "Eat with your spoon or fork"**
- **Proverb - #1 Do unto others as you would have them do unto you**
- **Expressive Vocabulary: cooperate-work together  
kind-friendly, gentle, loving**

**Language Arts:** Well, the Mayflower has set sail and our preschoolers are getting ready to welcome the Pilgrims to our Native American village. We will be working on our Thanksgiving Celebration songs and costumes as we get ready to act out the First Thanksgiving. This week we will be talking about all the preparations needed for Thanksgiving, what this holiday means and learning about Native Americans - then and now. We will enjoy stories like, "The Very First Thanksgiving Day," and "Dancing With the Indians."

**Concept:** Let's all remember to be thankful for the little ones! The children will be at the water table learning to wash and rinse the dishes as well as practicing to set the table. (Remember the hectic and fast paced time of year is coming and the children all enjoy helping. No matter how big or how small the task is, be thankful for their willingness to help). The children and I will have fun discussing our theme! I will be adding a Thanksgiving matching job along with a seriation turkey job to the shelf. I will also be adding the numbers 7 & 8 to all the jobs on the shelf.

**Craft & Writing:** Our little Native Americans and Pilgrims will have an excellent two weeks getting ready for Thanksgiving. Keep your eyes open for some turkeys decorated with paint and feathers. We will also color some beautiful pictures of Pilgrims and Native Americans. In addition we will be constructing some Native American drums for our Thanksgiving Celebration. The children are working hard on their fine motor skills, please continue working with pencils at home- we will soon start tracing our names.

**Important Dates:**

November 25.....Thanksgiving Celebration  
November 26 & 27.....Happy Thanksgiving/**School closed-full tuition due**  
Parents: Please update your child's change of clothing for the winter. We will also continue to go outside, so make sure your child has a hat, gloves, and a warm jacket, and please label all your child's belongings. Thank you!