



ESC Rose-Mary Center School



Educational Service Center
of Cuyahoga County

Fall, 2012

Calendar of Events

- **November 21-25—Thanksgiving Break**
- **December 22- January 6—Christmas/Holiday Break**
- **January 7—classes resume**
- **January 18—Early Release at 12:15**
- **January 21—Martin Luther King Day-no school**
- **February 15—Staff only (no students)**
- **February 18—President's Day (no school)**
- **March 22—Graduation 1:30 pm**



Colorful and beautiful baskets waiting for raffle tickets and 19 winners.

Fall Activities

On Friday, October 26th, the staff and students spent the morning doing fall and Halloween activities. Students had lots of fun as several classes set up activity tables for other classes to rotate around. There was pumpkin carving, Halloween mask making and printing using their hands as stencils to make trees, and other fall pictures. The movie, "ET" was playing and several students sat in comfy cozy chairs to watch. The morning was topped off with a lunch of sloppy joes and tater tots.

The 2012-13 school year

started off as smoothly as can be expected. After a long and hot summer, staff and students were eager to return and start a brand new year. Two new students, Dorian in Nickie's classroom (7) and Brandon C. (in Rob's classroom (3), started the school year at RMC School. Three new staff joined us, Ariel, in Room 3, Ginny in Room 8 and Melissa in Room 7. Curtis B. and Curtis C. were promoted to Crisis Mediators. These are new positions and as we say "a work in progress". Working with students independently and having additional staff

has produced positive outcomes. They provide a variety of behavioral, instructional and sensory activities to students throughout the day.



Kendall being helped by (Julie's) hands as he works on his pumpkin.

Open House and Basket Raffle another success...

The Rose-Mary Center School once again opened its hearts and doors to parents, districts, friends and staff at 4:00 on October 25th. This year, 19 baskets were donated by staff, friends and parents. The proceeds from the raffle continue to help offset costs for Community Activities and equipment for 38 students. Congratulations to Becca's, Josh's, Jimmy's and Carlos' families for winning baskets. Enjoy!

Again, this year, we hon-

ored two staff who have been with this program for 20 years. Julie McElroy, Teacher in Classroom 2 and Denise Wheeler, Assistant in Classroom 6 were honored with a certificate, flowers and a cake. Congratulations and all the best is wished for Julie and Denise! We are honored to work with such outstanding professionals!



20 years for Julie (left), Denise (right) celebrating with Lisa, Supervisor (center).



Spooky!!



Jackie, Micaiah, Sarah and Helen in a fall craft activity.



Nikki, Rocketta, Carlos and David



Rocketta



Stephen, is that pumpkin on its head?



Who is that wishing the office a Happy Halloween? (Micaiah)



Did you know it takes about 150 small unwanted apples to make 1 gallon of apple cider?



Bobbie, Micaiah, Brandon & Ariel.



Mark checking out new baby pigs.



Ginny helping Bill and Mali make a scary mask.

Room 3 Goes to Lake Farm Park

On a beautiful fall day, Room 3 went to Lake Metroparks Farmpark. They rode on a handicapped accessible hayride through the farm, checked out the newly born baby pigs and learned how to make fresh apple cider. The class learned how to plant and harvest potatoes. They brought their dug up treasures back to school to make mashed potatoes the

next day. Yum! They also milked some cows and ended the perfect day with a picnic lunch outside.

Weather and school cancellation

Our fall newsletter always includes a reminder to parents of our weather related school closing policy but it seems that "Sandy" beat us to it and our first school closing went without any problems.

For clarification purposes, Rose-Mary Center School's weather related closing policy is as follows:

If Cleveland Metropolitan Schools or Euclid City Schools close for weather reasons, we will also close. If Cleveland or Euclid schools close for reasons other than weather, we may or may not be open. Please watch WKYC Channel 3 iAlert System for "ESC-Rose Mary Ctr. School" – (open or closed).