

Preschool Traditions

HALLOWEEN FESTIVITES

Pumpkins in the pool! The preschooler's faces say it all when they see real pumpkins floating in the pool! The spooky music and disco ball set the mood as we enjoyed a Halloween pool party. The gourd hunt is not only a preschool tradition but a whole school favorite of Bixby. With a howl, the children hunt for the gourd that speaks just to them! Another favorite Halloween tradition is making costumes that represent our group names. We have to get creative as the children have named the groups themselves! We parade to Morning Star to say a spooky Halloween hello then return to Bixby to parade around the upper grades! I

GIFT-MAKING

In December we make special gifts to surprise our families. The children put lots of effort into their colorful and unique creations! Shhh....it's a surprise!

VALENTINE BAG DECORATING

At preschool, we encourage friendship and love. We show our affection to friends with specially made Valentines brought from home. At school, we decorate Valentine bags to take home our Valentines that were made with love.

WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD

The Week of the Young Child is a special week to focus on and celebrate our youngest learners. Each day there is an activity that highlights Early Childhood Education!

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

The last week of school is a fun week full of special activities! Special meals, lunch at the park, and dance parties mark the end of the school year. And of course, it wouldn't be the last day of school if we didn't have a countdown to the last minute!

GRADUATING PRESCHOOLERS' END-OF-THE-YEAR FIELD TRIP/TIE-DYE T-SHIRTS

It is always bittersweet saying goodbye to friends to support their next adventure and let them know how special they are.

At Bixby, we embrace all cultures and family traditions. Some of our favorite times are when family members come in to share celebrations and special traditions from their homes. We welcome all families to reach out to the teachers to set up a time to share about your families and special traditions.



BIRTHDAYS (CROWN MAKING AND SINGING)

It is always a special day celebrating a birthday at Bixby. The birthday child starts their day by making their very own birthday crown! This birthday crown draws special attention throughout the day! During our lunchtime, we light candles and sing Happy Birthday making it a true celebration. Families are welcome to bring in a special treat which is always a favorite among the children.

EARTH DAY CLEANUP

We are nature protectors at Bixby. The children care for their surroundings when we go on our walking field trips. In honor of Earth Day, we head out into the community to clean up trash! We talk about the importance of keeping the Earth clean! Community clean-up doesn't end on Earth Day—we venture out into the community several times throughout the year to clean up the neighborhood. We are community helpers!

ART SHOW

We are real artists at Bixby School! The Art Show is a collaboration of special artwork created by Bixby preschoolers. Look for details in the Spring!

INTERNATIONAL DOT DAY

International Dot Day is a celebration of courage! It is a great day to connect and collaborate, and also to celebrate self-expression.

READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY ACTIVITIES

Preschoolers bring in their favorite books to share with the class. We celebrate a wonderful day of literacy!