

Imagination Inn Celebrates Autumn, Welcomes Winter

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November was a month filled with seasonal excitement, frosty mornings, and warm winter jackets. We collected acorns, made leaf creations, and jumped in piles and piles of leaves.

It was a busy month at the Inn! We were proud to be a part of a Toys for Tots vendor fair hosted and organized by Lisa Braley. It was wonderful to see so many local vendors and craftspeople.



On November 14, children visited local businesses and searched the town for hidden feathers. After three hours and lots of exploring they collected 1270 feathers. Front: Sawyer Drummond, Sawyer Ilg, Kessa Jennotte, Aidan Duchesne, Talia Hardie, and Paige Orcutt; Middle: Anna Warzocha, Daniel Shedd, Damien Jenifer, Jack Parris, and Cilla Abrahamson; Back: Lukas Siemans, Issac Norris, Ella Labrie, Delana Adams, Indira McIntyre, and Ociee Ilg.

On November 14, the children enjoyed a Turkey Trot. Together, we explored the town in search of turkey feathers for our first fall fundraiser. The children visited many local businesses and explored the campus in search of feathers. It was a busy morning searching for a turkey and finding only clues that led us to our next stop.

We found feathers on the football field, by the pond, on a bench, and throughout the entire town. Together, the children found over 50 stations and collected 1,270 feathers. The collected feathers helped decorate a huge classroom turkey.

It never ceases to amaze me how wonderful the town and community are to the children here in Andover. Special thanks to our friends at the Andover Town Library, Pizza Chef, Jake's, Lake Sunapee Bank, New Horizons, and all the wonderful ladies at the Town Offices. The children were so excited to search for the feathers, and your smiling faces and welcoming arms made the day quite a memorable event.

The final numbers are still out, but it appears our little



Heidi Murphy visited the Inn to talk to the preschoolers about her job as a Conservation Officer. Pictured: Colin Murphy, Damien Jenifer, Sawyer Ilg, Talia Hardie, Parker Sweeney, Pippa Bartlett, Kessa Jennotte, Cilla Abrahamson, DeLana Adams, Anya Chadbourne, Indira McIntyre, Ella Labrie, Anna Warzocha, Issac Norris, and Ociee Ilg.
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hunters raised roughly \$1,200. We are looking forward to adding many new toys, crafts, and activities to our classrooms.

On November 20, children invited their grandparents to our second annual Grandparent Pie Social. Parents donated pies, and families came together as we welcomed the beginning of the holiday season.

The Preschool Pandas and Terrific Tigers shared a few of their favorite songs, and we all enjoyed the chance to meet and share our morning with these very special people. Some of the grandparents traveled hours to attend. We had lots of smiling faces and happy children.

Welcoming December

December had Jack Frost nipping at our noses. Winter mittens and hats joined our winter coats, and visions of snow falling danced in our heads.

During the month of December, we will be enjoying a Winter Wonderland Pajama Family Night. Families will wear their Christmas pajamas to the Inn and enjoy hot cocoa and cookies. The children will follow the snowflakes through the school and explore different fun hands-on stations. They will be making reindeer food, tossing marshmallows, and writing letters to our

friends at the North Pole. I expect Santa will stop by and check on our busy little elves here at Imagination Inn. It is sure to be a fun-filled holiday event.

When we return from the winter break, we will be welcoming 2013. Jan-



After lots of hard work, Indira McIntyre, Delana Adams, Lukas Siemans, Issac Norris, and Jack Parris glue their hard-earned feathers on our Turkey after completing our Turkey Trot Scavenger Hunt.

uary will bring snowball fights, angel making, and snow painting as well. We will be walking the rail trails and leaving our footprints in the snow.

With any luck, Mother Nature will be dropping some wonderful white fluffy snow our way. After all, what

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