Highlights of the Month

PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST

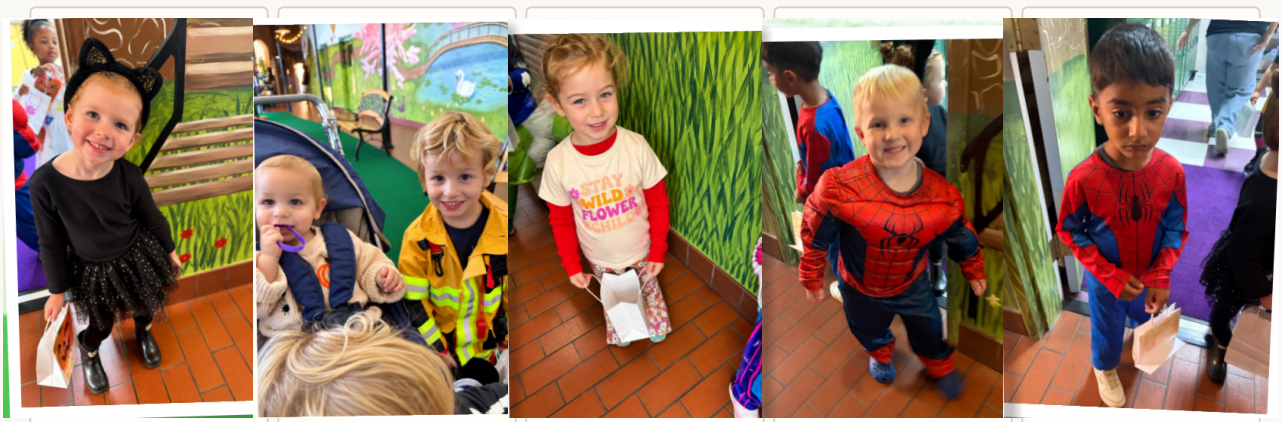
Congratulations, Voyagers 2!

Voyagers 2 won our Pumpkin Decorating Contest! Their creative pumpkin received the most votes from our parents and staff. As the grand prize winners, they will enjoy a special Ice Cream Party! Thank you to all the teachers and children who participated!



Trick or Treat at HCA

Our children had a wonderful time trick-or-treating around the school in their creative costumes. Thank you to our staff for making the day so memorable!



FALL FUN DAY / PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS

Fall Fun Day

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30 | A DAY OF CREATIVITY, DISCOVERY & PLAY

Our children enjoyed a wonderful Fall Fun Day at HCA! After trick-or-treating around the school, Adventurers, Voyagers, and Kindergarten explored four hands-on activity stations at the Outpost.



Face Painting

Our children enjoyed festive face-painting designs and creative self-expression.



Fall Cookies

At the Fall Cafe, children made and decorated delicious seasonal cookies.



Pumpkin Patch Game

In the gym, everyone got moving with the Pumpkin Patch Pick-Up game.



Bubble Brew Science

Mr. Aaron led a bubbling, foamy science experience that sparked curiosity.

FAMILY INVITATION

Pie Party

A Thanksgiving celebration at HCA

FRIDAY	TIME	CELEBRATION
NOV 20	3:00 - 3:30 PM	SNACK TIME

Each classroom will enjoy pies and milk for snack and share the Thanksgiving artwork they created. Parents are welcome to join us for this special celebration!



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20 • PARENTS WELCOME

November Menu 2026

Breakfast, lunch, vegetarian options & afternoon snacks

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Breakfast Waffles with syrup and fruit Lunch Butter Noodles Broccoli, fruit Veg Option: Same as Above PM Snack Pretzels and Ranch	3 Breakfast Bagels, cream cheese and fruit Lunch Baked chicken bites Sweet potatoes, fruit Veg Option: Veggie nuggets PM Snack Apple slices and crackers	4 Breakfast French toast with syrup and fruit Lunch Vegetable fried rice with scrambled eggs, fruit Veg Option: Vegetable fried rice PM Snack Fruit Bars and yogurt	5 Breakfast Oatmeal with chia seeds and bananas Lunch Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Green Beans, fruit Veg Option: Cheese Sandwich PM Snack Hummus with cucumbers	6 Breakfast Cranberry orange muffin and fruit Lunch Cheese Pizza Side salad, fruit Veg Option: Same as above PM Snack Bananas and vanilla wafers
9 Breakfast Apple cinnamon bread and fruit Lunch Three color fusilli with tomato sauce Peas, fruit Veg Option: Same as above PM Snack Mixed berries and yogurt	10 Breakfast Yogurt and berries Lunch Turkey taco bowl with rice Black beans, fruit Veg Option: Bean and rice bowl PM Snack Cheese sticks and baby carrots	11 Breakfast Biscuit with cheese Lunch Chickpeas sloppy joes Salad, fruit Veg Option: Same as above PM Snack Granola Bars and oranges	12 Breakfast Whole-grain cereal and fruit Lunch Chicken stir-fry with rice Green beans, fruit Veg Option: Veggie rice PM Snack Bananas and rice cakes	13 Breakfast Oatmeal with chia seeds and cinnamon apples Lunch Refried beans and cheese quesadilla Corn, fruit Veg Option: Same as above PM Snack Apples and crackers
16 Breakfast French toast with fruit Lunch Mac and cheese Carrots, fruit Veg Option: Same as above PM Snack Veggie Straws and Ranch	17 Breakfast Granola and yogurt Lunch Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes, fruit Veg Option: Baked Tofu PM Snack Cheese sticks and apples	18 Breakfast Wild blueberry muffin and fruit Lunch Grilled cheese sandwich Soup, fruit Veg Option: Same as above PM Snack Cucumbers and ranch	19 Breakfast Biscuit with cheese Lunch Baked chicken Quinoa and rice, fruit Veg Option: Baked tofu PM Snack Graham crackers and bananas	20 Breakfast Oatmeal with chia seeds and fruit Lunch Cheese pizza Side salad, fruit Veg Option: Same as above PM Snack Hummus and rice crackers
23 Breakfast Wheat toast with jelly and fruit Lunch Turkey Tacos Corn, fruit Veg Option: Beans taco PM Snack Granola Bar and bananas	24 Breakfast Oatmeal with chia and fruit Lunch Veggie Lasagna Carrots, fruit Veg Option: Same as above PM Snack Nachos and salsa	25 Breakfast Pumpkin bread and fruit Lunch Grilled salmon and rice Salad, fruit Veg Option: Rice and Chickpeas PM Snack Sunflower butter and apple slices	26 HCA is closed for Thanksgiving	27 HCA is closed for Thanksgiving
30 Breakfast Oatmeal with chia seeds and cinnamon apples Lunch Cheese tortellini Broccoli, fruit Veg Option: Same as above PM Snack Cucumbers and pretzels				

Menu details reproduced from the original HCA November calendar.

Camp Days

School-age program • November 2-3

MONDAY / NOVEMBER 2

Halloween Encore!

Campers are invited to wear their costumes one more time for a day of festive activities!

MORNING ACTIVITIES

Costume Parade & Voting

Campers vote for their favorite costumes; winners receive a special prize.

Halloween Science Project

with Mr. Aaron

Halloween Cafe Project

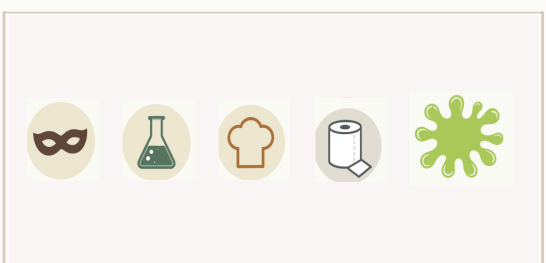
with Ms. Amaya

Mummy Wrap Relay

with Ms. Aisha

AFTERNOON ACTIVITY

Green Slime Making!



TUESDAY / NOVEMBER 3

Election Day

Camp & Field Trip

FIELD TRIP

Frying Pan Farm Park
Herndon, Virginia

Outdoor adventures include a wagon ride, playground time, wooded trails along a creek, and learning about farm animals: horses, cows, pigs, goats, sheep, chickens, peacocks and rabbits.

MORNING TRIP

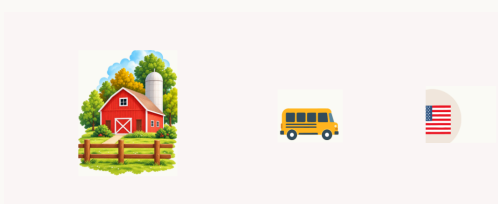
Kindergarten-2nd Grade; departing at 9:30 AM.

AFTERNOON TRIP

2nd-5th Grade; leaving after lunch and returning by 5:00 PM.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES AT HCA

Fall Science Fun with Mr. Aaron
American Flag activity with Ms. Aisha
Patriotic Face Painting with Ms. Amaya



FARM INFORMATION: fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/frying-pan-park

More November Camp Days

WEDNESDAY / NOVEMBER 11

Veterans Day

HCA is open and will offer a camp day for school-age children.



SCHOOL OPEN • CAMP DAY AVAILABLE

WEDNESDAY / NOVEMBER 25

Thanksgiving Celebration

Cooking Project

- Making Rice Krispies
- Popcorn/Goldfish turkey hands



FALL FUN • HANDS-ON LEARNING

Dates to Remember

Mark your family calendar

NOV 11	**Veterans Day** HCA is open	
NOV 26-27	**Thanksgiving Break** HCA is closed	
DEC 24	**Christmas Eve** HCA closes at 12:00 PM	
DEC 25	**Christmas Day** HCA is closed	
DEC 31	**New Year's Eve** HCA closes at 3:00 PM	
JAN 1	**New Year's Day** HCA is closed	

November Community Project

GIVING BACK / DECEMBER 1–15

During November, Haymarket Children's Academy is focusing on kindness, thankfulness and helping others. We are organizing a donation drive for Northern Virginia Family Services to support infants and children from December 1–15.

Please place donations in the boxes at the Train Station or Outpost. Our Voyagers and Kindergarten children will deliver the collected items.



Items We Are Collecting



Children's hygiene products



New baby bottles & sippy cups



New t-shirts, sweatshirts & pants

All sizes; boys and girls



New children's underwear

All sizes; boys and girls

Thank you for supporting local children and families.

WELCOME TO HCA

Please join us in welcoming our new lead teacher, Ms. Fifi



Ms. Fifi

A Warm Welcome

Meet Ms. Fifi

We are excited to welcome Ms. Fifi to the Haymarket Children's Academy team. She is bringing over 24 years of experience in early childhood education, along with warmth, creativity, and strong leadership.

"Her experience, joyful spirit, and love for children will be a wonderful addition to our school community."

Teacher Bio

Hi, my name is Fifi! I have been working in early childhood education for over 24 years. Throughout my career, I have worked with children of different ages, and for the past few years, I had the pleasure of owning and operating my own home-based preschool. I also have a two-year college degree in Information Processing. I am a proud mother of two wonderful sons, ages 27 and 18. Family is a big part of my life, and I enjoy spending time with them, listening to music, and being creative. I would describe myself as outgoing, energetic, and someone who loves to laugh and make others laugh.