Dear Families, October 30, 2008

Fall is in the air! Our classroom is alive with an array of beautiful fall objects, many of which we collected last week during our trip to the Farmers' Market. As you may have heard, our trip was a great success! We are looking forward to one more fall trip, to collect leaves in November.

The fall continues to be full of new experiences for the EKs. Just last week, we each had a turn to paint in the art room with Ann (the art teacher for grades 1-4). Children were given the primary colors and black and white paint. The EKs had to decide how to turn their paper (vertically or horizontally) before they started. Any new colors, shapes, and designs were up to each child. We hung the paintings in the room, so please take a look! We were also very thankful to Ann for taking time to work with us, so we wrote her a letter as a group. In our letter, we let her know that, "We had a really extra fun time. We liked the time there and making pictures. We liked using the paintbrushes." We also asked her, "Did you like all of our paintings that we painted?" and "Please can you come in our room one day to see our paintings on the wall?"

On another note, we are just beginning our School Community Curriculum. For the next few months, the children will learn about the grown-ups, other than teachers, that help to take care of us at LREI. Through this study, we hope the children will deepen their understanding of how their many needs are met here at school. More to come about this exciting study as it unfolds...

Happy Fall,

Diane and Charles

Upcoming Events:

November 7th— Parent Teacher Conferences—School Closed

November 11th— Trip to Collect Leaves

November 14th—Parent teacher Conferences—School Closed

November 19th—Assembly for the EKs and Fours (Parents are Welcome)