**THREES**

**Fall Outdoor Classroom Ideas**

1. Mathematics: Create fall patterns out of leaves or collected outdoor nature materials
2. Mathematics: Count colored leaves on a tray outside
3. Understanding their world/Science: Scientific concepts such as using our five senses to examine pumpkins, or different collected nature items with magnify glasses. Discussing our five senses as a group with the items
4. Understanding their world/Science: Scientific concepts such as creating ramps with blocks to roll pumpkins or acorns on. Building ramps or structures out of the large deck blocks and using pumpkins to roll down.
5. Early Literacy: Listen to short stories outdoors about the different seasons. Compare the characteristics of the current season to other seasons.
6. Early Literacy: Story dramatization: act out familiar finger plays and stories like the five little pumpkins outdoors, using nature as our backdrop and props
7. Social Emotional: Engage in imaginary play using blocks and fall materials on the outdoor deck: Build with magnatiles outdoors. Bring different styles of blocks from your Indoor Classroom, to the Outdoor classroom along with other items to build with.
8. Fine arts: Observational artwork - sketching what we see outdoors with paper and clipboards
9. Fine arts: Create leaf prints or rubbings on paper, cardboard, poster board

10.Emergent writing skills: Drawing to communicate meaning: drawing what we observe prompting with open ended questions, such as *What do we hear? See? Smell?*