

LPB Parents E-Newsletter November 2016

Coming Soon PBS Kids 24/7!

LPB and PBS will launch a new 24/7 children's on-air channel and an online livestream beginning in January 2017. The all-day-long PBS KIDS channel will be available over-the-air on LPB 2 (27.2) and through cable providers across the state. Throughout the day children will be able to enjoy their favorite series like **Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood**, **Odd Squad**, **Wild Kratts** and **Dinosaur Train**, as well as **Nature Cat** and **Ready Jet Go!** Watch for the URL for the online stream.

Wild Kratts Movie and Splash and Bubbles Are Almost Here!

On **November 23rd at 8:00 to 8:45 a.m. on LPB HD** catch the hour-long **WILD KRATTS: Creatures of the Deep Sea** as they check out ocean trenches, the most unexplored habitat on Earth. Martin and Chris must choose between either pursuing their life-long discovery dream or saving their friends from harm. Hmmm. What will they do? Repeating at 3:00 p.m. Check out the <u>online resources</u>.

Following at **8:45 to 9:30 a.m.**, dive into the premiere of the new, color-splashed, ocean-themed series: **Splash and Bubbles**. Through three stories meet the delightful and beautiful characters that will teach children about the ocean and the life teeming beneath the surface. Using groundbreaking digital puppetry technology, the animated series will help children learn marine biology and ocean science concepts while building social-emotional skills. **Repeating at 3:45 p.m. Check the schedules at lpb.org for additional times and channels for both shows.** Watch the <u>preview</u> now. Related resources will be available on November 23rd.

Kids Get to Vote This Election!

<u>PBS Kids You Choose</u> is a new site that introduces kids to non-partisan, democracy-related topics through interactive exploration and videos. Kids can create their own campaign posters, collect presidential trading cards of past U.S. Presidents and First Ladies and watch videos that focus on important issues relevant to them!

Spirit of Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is the time to focus on teaching your children about sharing, caring about others, and being grateful for all they have. PBS Parents has suggestions for how to raise a grateful child, how to honor Thanksgiving during difficult times, and how to start your own family Thanksgiving traditions. You can also find some good books suggestions, ideas for community service, fun crafts, and delicious Thanksgiving recipes.

Thanksgiving Table Crafts

You can involve your child in making <u>decorations</u> for the Thanksgiving table. Some of the decorations make great snacks, and some promote gratitude. Still didn't find what you want? Check out all the <u>Thanksgiving crafts</u> ideas.

New Children's Weekday Schedule after Thanksgiving

Be sure to check the schedule at lpb.org for the new times for your favorite children's programs.

PBS Kids Pad

PBS has just launched its first tablet, the **Playtime Pad,** which contains more than 25 games, 120 video clips and music videos, and an additional 100+ videos on the PBS Kids Video app. The pad also is KidSAFE® and has parental controls. The pad includes a front and back camera, a Paint Box Coloring app, and is WiFi ready. The pad will be available in November at Best Buy stores, bestbuy.com, Walmart.com or shop.pbskids.org for \$79.99. All PBS sales proceeds will support the PBS Kids' mission to help children succeed in school. Might be an idea for Christmas.

Anne of Green Gables is back!

The new **Anne of Green Gables** is a great family viewing opportunity on Thanksgiving Day, **Thursday**, **November 24**th **at 7:00 p.m. and 11:30 p.m.** on LPB HD. This new adaptation of the classic novel about orphaned Anne, who is placed in the care of uptight Marilla and her brother Matthew, shows the unpredictable effect they have on each other's lives.

I hope you enjoy some of these ideas. Happy Thanksgiving!

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