



October Newsletter

Infant One

October will be full of Spooktacular fun. We will be working on our fall and Halloween art. In our sensory table, we will explore leaves and pinecones. Also, with Halloween approaching, we will paint our pumpkin and explore what's inside the pumpkin.

This month's Mighty Minute is: "Creepy Crawly Spiders"

Move your hands like creepy crawly spiders as you read the poem.

- One, two spiders crawling on the ground,
- One two spiders, where can they be found?
- One, two spiders, hide behind my back,
- One two spiders, I see them coming back.

With this poem, we will use our spider puppets while reciting to the infants.

Please be sure to check your child's bin for weather appropriate clothing and please be sure that they are the correct size.

We hope everyone has a safe and fun Halloween.

Infant Two

Fall is here! We are still enjoying the weather, taking walks, and playing in the grassy field. Please be sure your little one has a jacket for the cooler days that are headed our way.

We would like to wish Paige and Brayden a very Happy Birthday. They are both turning one on October 25!

Our Mighty Minute of the month is “Sounds on the Farm.”

What you do:

1. Recite the chant using a lively voice
 - Rooster greets the morning with a “Cock-a-doodle-doo.”
 - Cow joins the chorus with a “Moo, moo, moo.”
 - Sheep says “Baa” when it’s time to play.
 - Horse fills the air with “Neigh, neigh, neigh.”
 - Pig squeals “Oink” as she wallows in the muck.
 - And hen in the henhouse cackles “Cluck, cluck, cluck!”
2. Repeat the chant and encourage your child to join you as you make the animal sounds.

Halloween is right around the corner. Please bring a costume for your little one. We will dress them here and take pictures.

Have a great month.

Younger Toddlers

Welcome fall!

We love the fall weather, but please have a light jacket or sweatshirt here daily. We go outside twice a day and it is starting to get chilly.

Last month, we learned so much about letters, shapes, and colors. We really enjoyed all of our classroom activities!

The theme for this month is Fall/Pumpkins/Halloween. We will talk about the weather and how it has changed from hot to cool weather. We will also look at the fall colors. We will look at pumpkins of different sizes, colors, and shapes. We will look at what is inside of a pumpkin in the sensory table.

We are planning to have a Halloween Party, so please feel free to bring in costumes so that your child can share in the fun (you can bring a treat as well, if you would like).

Please check your child’s folder and drawer daily.

Older Toddlers

During October, we will still be continuing the Farm unit. We are having so much fun, so we are going to love learning about it a bit longer. I think making all the animal noises is the

children's favorite part. They are getting great at remembering what makes each animal so important and especially the farmer's jobs.

Also, thank you for all the wonderful tree pictures. We had a lot of fun talking about what our favorite trees are and why.

At the end of this month, we will shift our focus to some hocus pocus holiday fun. We will be doing awesome Halloween crafts, reading some not so spooky books, and signing some songs about pumpkins. We will have a signup sheet out in the room for anyone who would like to bring in a special treat to share for the Halloween/ fall party. Also, each child will be decorating their own treat bags to take goodies home in, so if you would like to bring in something for the trick-or-treat bags that would be great.

We will be talking to the children about all of the decorations they are seeing around the neighborhood and how they are not so scary. They are not real and are supposed to be silly and fun. We are going to practice saying trick or treat and discuss what types of goodies we hope to take home on Halloween night. We hope this will make it more of an exciting event rather than a new and scary one. On the day of our Halloween party, you may send your child in a comfortable costume or send one in for them to change into for the parade and party.

We are still going outside on a regular basis as long as we can, so please be sure your child has weather appropriate clothing for going outdoors, thank you.

Please be safe and have fun this holiday, we wish you a fa-boo-lous Halloween!



Preschool

October is here and Preschool is so excited to see what changes autumn will bring! We are really enjoying our time outside, so please be sure that your child has at least two complete changes of clothing that is weather appropriate.

Last month, we reviewed our colors and shapes. This month, we will be focusing on letters and numbers. Every Monday, you will find homework in your child's folder that you can work on together at home to help reinforce the concepts that we are working on during the week at school. Completed homework is encouraged to be back at school on Thursdays. Please feel free to send in items related to the weekly topic, especially on Friday's for Show-n-Tell.

Reminder: toys from home should only be brought in on Friday's for Show-n-Tell. Toys to sleep with are welcome everyday.

This month we will be focusing on the following topics:

- October 2-6 – Fire Prevention/Safety First
- October 9-13 – My Feelings – Letter A, Number 1
- October 16-20 – Health and Nutrition – Letter B, Number 2
- October 23-27 – Halloween Fun – Letter C, Number 3

We will read books, have activities, and make art projects that go with the theme of the week. Please check your child's folder daily for activities and homework that you and your child can do together that relate to the weekly themes.

Please join us in wishing a very Happy Birthday to:

- Colin – October 5
- Max – October 23

Please be sure to have a complete change of weather appropriate clothing for your child.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

The Preschool teachers

Pre-K

September brought the start of autumn, Grahams with Gram, and our new friend, Blake. We have been enjoying the beautiful weather and have already started practicing some fun autumn songs.

We are still continuing our "All About Me" unit. Currently, we are talking about our 5 senses and then we are going to jump into healthy habits. We will be tying the themes of kindness and sharing in with Halloween.

As a group, the children have been very interested in letter sounds and how words start. Please keep encouraging your child to talk about our "letter of the week" and to participate in our show and tell challenges that go with our weekly letter and theme.

Lastly, we are starting to learn how to use the computer in our classroom. We are learning that a mouse works a lot differently than a tablet. The children are excited about learning new skills and have been very patient with taking turns.

Office

*Breakfast is from 7:30-8:30 in all classrooms. Please be sure that your child is here on time if you wish for them to eat breakfast at the center.

*Please be sure that your child has at least two complete changes of weather appropriate clothing.

*We will have a Parents Meeting on Thursday, October 19 from 6:15-7:30. Sign-up sheets are in your child's classroom. Childcare will be provided, as well as pizza and beverages for the parents and the children.

*If you order from Amazon, please consider ordering through Amazon Smile. It is the same as ordering through Amazon, it just gives a donation to a charitable organization of your choice. So, go to Amazon Smile and select Lakewood Community Care Center and you can support us with every purchase!

*Remember to get your labels from Mabel's Labels. This is a great way to label school supplies and clothing. Be sure to look for LCCC when you order.

*Pumpkin Palooza will be on Saturday, October 28, 2017 from 1:00-4:00pm at Garfield Elementary School. Please come join us for some Halloween fun! Please see the attached form for more information.

*Thank you for all that you do!



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6 Cleveland Indian's Day	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 Disney Day	14
15	16	17	18 Black and White Day	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Pumpkin Day Dress like a pumpkin or wear orange	27	28
29	30	31 Fall Costume Party				