

# October 2018 Newsletter

## Preschool

September was an exciting month, making new friends and learning new routines! The children are adjusting well to the new school year and their new teachers. We are looking forward to many activities during the month of October.

This month, the curriculum theme for Preschool 1 and Preschool 2 is "Orchard Harvest" and for Pre-Kindergarten and Mixed Age is "Helpers."

## Monthly Happenings



**Please remember that A Child's Place will be closed on Monday, October 8th in observance of Columbus Day.**

- On **Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**, we will have Blue Sky Puppets perform their "Bananas!" show at 10:30 am.
- On **Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>**, the Senior Center is hosting a "Mega Bazaar" in the building. If you have a moment, stop by and take a look. It is a good opportunity to buy some holiday gifts and knick-knacks for the home! A flyer is attached with more information.
- We have scheduled a pumpkin patch visit for Preschool 2 and Mixed Age on **Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>** and Pre-Kindergarten on **Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**. These field trips are to the Burke Nursery and Garden Center in Burke, VA. Your child will need to be here no later than 9:00 am that day,

and we will be returning to the center at approximately 12 noon in time for lunch. Parents are welcome to join us, however, we cannot transport you on our buses. You may meet us at the pumpkin patch (or follow the bus) if you are interested. Parents will need to pay the \$10 admission charge upon arrival at Burke Nursery. More information will be provided on Friday, October 12th.

- On **Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>** and **Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**, Usborne books will have a book fair in our lobby. On Wednesday, the book fair will be in the afternoon only, but on Thursday, it will be available during the morning drop-off as well as during the afternoon pick-up times! A portion of all sales will go toward purchasing new books for the center.
- The Preschool 1 class will be going on a "mini-field trip" to the pumpkin patch just down the road from the center at St. Luke's Church. More information will be provided when it is finalized.

- On **Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>**, we will be having a party at 4:30 pm to celebrate Halloween. The children may come to school in a simple costume in the morning. They will parade in the morning through the school and the Senior Center. Once again this year, we ask that parents do not send masks as they impair vision and could cause a child to fall and become injured. Also, the children are not permitted to bring accessories such as toy guns or toy knives with their costumes. Please pack a change of clothes for the child. They will be in "regular clothes" until after nap time when we change them back into their costumes. There will be sign-up sheets available on October 19th for you to contribute some goodies to the Halloween party, and please remember to send an ingredient list so that we may double check for any food allergies.



# UPCOMING!

On **Tuesday, November 6th**, Southern Smiles Photographers will be here to take holiday photos of the children. More information to come! There will also be times available for families to come in and have their pictures taken with the children. To have a family portrait taken, please email the office at [acphollinh@aol.com](mailto:acphollinh@aol.com) to reserve a time.

There is never any obligation to purchase any photos once they arrive if you do not like the outcome. Also, you will be able to order holiday cards and other photo items once you view the portraits.

## Extra Programs

- Mondays:
  - Power Tots with Ms. Jamie (am)
- Tuesdays:
  - Spanish with Seniorita Samantha (am)
- Wednesdays:
  - Art with Ms. Stephanie (am)
- Thursdays:
  - Music with Ms. Mercedes (am)
  - Dance class with Ms. Raven (am)
- Fridays:
  - PE class with Mr. Nick (am)
  - Excite Soccer with Coach Kieran (am)

**You can still sign up for Power Tots Gymnastics or Dance class because these are year-round activities!**

## Reminder:

As the weather gets cooler, please send in a light jacket or sweater for your student. The children really enjoy their outdoor time even though it has gotten a bit chilly in the mornings. Also, please check their spare clothes box and make sure there is properly-fitting, seasonally appropriate clothing and extra shoes in there in case of spills or accidents.



Thank you, as always, for your continued support and cooperation.

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