

Discovering Me

MONTHLY TIDBITS

2021 OCTOBER



Dear Parents,

October is a calmer month now that the children have settled into the program and have become comfortable being here. This will just keep getting better and better.

The attached calendar outlines this month's lessons and activities. We will be concentrating on the **Fall Season**, **Fire Prevention Week**, begin **shapes and colors**, **five senses** and of course **Halloween**. This month also includes some **science and language activities**.

We will begin giving homework to all **Kindergarten Bound** and **Bridge Program** children this month. It is something the children look forward to doing, especially if they have older siblings doing homework. The homework reinforces the lessons of the day and will progress as the year goes on to include pre-handwriting skills. Please encourage your child to color all activity sheets and complete the homework assignments, but do not force them to do so.

This month is an especially busy month because of our Halloween crafts—black cats, spiders, bats, masks, jolly jack-o-lanterns, and trick or treat bags. We are planning a **Halloween Costume Party** for Friday, October 29th. Details will be sent home at a later date.

We are asking each family to donate a treat for the Halloween party as soon as possible. Bags of individual snack size pretzels, goldfish, etc., work great. All treats must be individually wrapped. Keep in mind that we are trying to keep some of the treats somewhat healthy. Each child will go home with a treat bag so you will be able to decide what your child can and cannot eat.



A Few Reminders:

- **“Meet the Teacher and Staff”** night is on Wednesday, October 6th. It will be held in your child's classroom in small groups to adhere to social distancing protocols. We hope to answer all your questions and give you a chance to meet some of the other families in the program. Details were sent home, so check your child's backpack if you haven't seen the note.
- Every child must have an up-to-date medical on file. If you have not returned the completed medical form with an up to date physical exam, please do so immediately. Your child will not be able to attend the program until we have these records on file.
- We do have outdoor play, so please dress your child appropriately. No party shoes or long dresses, as they are too dangerous when the children are climbing and running. Also check the clothes in your child's shoebox – the weather is getting cooler so the clothes may have to be changed and don't forget underwear and socks!
- If you are participating in the “Pizza on Fridays” lunch, please keep in mind that your child should not bring any lunch or snacks to school on Fridays because pizza, a drink, and a snack are provided. If you are not participating just send lunch as usual.

A Few More Reminders:

- Check the calendar to see your child's class date for Show-n-Tell.
- Scholastic Book orders must be returned by date listed on the form.
- School will be closed on Monday, October 11th in observance of Columbus Day.

Sincerely, Carol, Laurie, & Staff

at-a-glance

October Topics:

- Fall Season
- Fire Prevention Week
- Shapes & Colors
- Five Senses
- Science & Language
- Halloween

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Please donate an individually wrapped treat for Halloween treat bags!



It's time to update your child's shoebox with cold weather clothing!





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<p>1 Homemade Cookie Day</p>	<p>2 </p>
<p>3 Fire Prevention Week Begin Colors</p>	<p>4 Apple Pickin' Red National Taco Day</p>	<p>5 Apple Stamps Red</p>	<p>6 Fire 911 Fire Drill 10:00am</p>	<p>7 Fireman</p>	<p>8 Fire Truck</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10 Fall</p>	<p>11 Columbus Day School Closed</p>	<p>12 Pumpkin</p>	<p>13 Acorn</p>	<p>14 Leaf Wreath </p>	<p>15 Corn</p>	<p>16 </p>
<p>17 Halloween Fun</p>	<p>18 Halloween Treat Bags</p>	<p>19 Ghost</p>	<p>20 Candy Corn Rectangle</p>	<p>21 Bats</p>	<p>22 Witch Hats</p>	<p>23 </p>
<p>24 Our Five Senses Happy Halloween</p>	<p>25 Mask Sight</p>	<p>26 Corn Shakers Hear</p>	<p>27 Pumpkin Muffins Smell</p>	<p>28 Jack O' Lantern Touch</p>	<p>29 Halloween Party Taste</p>	<p>30 Candy Corn Day</p>
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	HALLOWEEN 				1 Homemade Cookie Day	2
3 Fire Prevention Week	4 Apple Pickin' Red National Taco Day	5 Fireman Red	6 Fire Truck Fire Drill 10:00am	7 Sink / Float Experiment Science	8 Christopher Columbus Project Blue	9
10 Fall Continue Colors & Begin Shapes	11 Columbus Day School Closed	12 Fall Wreath Circle / Yellow	13 Kindness Matters Bee Yellow	14 Leaves Are Changing Green	15 Oscar the Grouch Day Green	16
17 Halloween Fun	18 Skeleton White	19 Ghost White 	20 Treat Bags Rectangle	21 Witch Triangle / Black	22 Frankenstein Review Triangle / Black	23
24 Our Five Senses Happy Halloween	25 Monster Eyes	26 National Pumpkin Day	27 Egg Shakers	28 Jack O' Lantern	29 Halloween Party	30 Candy Corn Day
31	Sight	Smell	Hear	Touch	Taste	