



October 2023 Newsletter

FALL IS HERE!!!

So much that we can do!!!

Dear Parents,



September was the month for getting acquainted, getting to know the classroom routine, our classrooms rules and each other. We made new friends, and we are learning to follow directions as we communicate with our peers. As the sun sets earlier, the days get shorter, and the weather gets cooler, it's time to welcome fall. Time to watch the beautiful green leaves turn different shades of red, yellow, orange, and brown. Let's get ready for some fun fall activities!

Our Halloween Parade and Trunk-or-Treat will be held on Tuesday October 31st at 2:30pm. We are looking for 4 families to volunteer and decorate their vehicle trunks and give out candy to the children. Please let us know by Monday October 23th if you would like to participate. We would also like to remind our families that during the parade children are to remain with their classroom teachers during the parade. Please do not approach the children during the parade. This is to maintain the safety of our children and staff.

Please look for more information to follow in November as we will be scheduling our Parent/ Teacher Conferences.



Happy
Halloween



Dates to Remember

- Oct 2nd – National Fire Pup Day
- Oct 5th – Smokey the Bear Presentation
- Oct 6th – Fire Dept Visit
- Oct 9th – Columbus Day & Indigenous Peoples Day. **Stroud Schools Closed.**
- Oct 12th – Dancing Corn Science Experiment
- Oct 17th – Vehicle Show & Tell
- Oct 23rd – Marble Run Construction
- Oct 30th – Pumpkin Carving Contest
- Oct 31st – Halloween Parade @ 2:30pm

October Birthdays

- Oct 6th – Mackenzie H
- Oct 19th – Karter W



CLASSROOM NEWS!!!

Infant Room News:

September was full of movement in the Infant Room. Nearly every baby is mobile now! They went from being stationary to pulling themselves up on everything in the blink of an eye. It's incredible how much influence peers can have on a child's development, and not just on a psycho-social level. Their little brains are hard-wired for connection and learning, and each classroom is like its own ecosystem, with each participant acting in symbiosis. Witnessing other children play, learn, & grow opens doors of possibilities in their brains. Imagine, if we as adults all observed our colleagues with the intent to learn and grow from them. On a different note, with the seasons changing, we'd like to ask parents to dress your child in layers. The afternoon sun hits our classroom windows, so although it's chilly in the morning it tends to get quite warm in the afternoons. Dressing your child in layers allows us to keep them comfortable throughout the day! We can't wait to see what adventures October will bring to us!



- Ms. Stacey & Ms. Peggy

Waddler Room News:

Even though the month of September has gone by quickly we were able to have lots of fun exploring apples. The children talked about the different colors of apples. They played Hot Apple as they passed the apple to one another like the game Hot Potato. Ms. Dina bought apples for us to eat, and Max enjoyed them sooo much he kept asking for more! We also focused on emotions by using puppets. We showed our Happy, Sad, Excited, and Scared emotions with the puppets. We would like to say goodbye to our friends Eliana and Max as they transition to the Toddler class. Good luck!

- Ms. Laura & Ms. Devin

WELCOME OUR NEW STUDENTS & STAFF!!!

We would like to welcome the new students that started this past month. Let's please welcome Joel P and Noah L to the Waddler Room, Grayson L to Preschool, and James H to the Toddler Room.

We are happy to have you join our Bright Beginnings family!



OCT WEEKLY THEMES

Week 1: Fire Safety



Week 2: Fall

Week 3: Transportation

Week 4: Construction



Week 5: Halloween



SCHOLASTIC BOOKS ORDERS!!!

We will be doing our monthly Scholastic Book orders again!

This is a great way to get some children's books for your child's collection and help us earn free books for the school! Orders are due the 15th of the month and shipped right to the school for easy pick up. You can order using the order forms or online. Our classroom code is V9WKW.



CLASSROOM NEWS!!!

Toddler Room News:

Hello Toddler Parents, Unfortunately, the warmer days of summer are officially over. We welcome fall as we gear up for cooler weather. But that means it's time to prepare ourselves for the fall festivities. Our friends can't wait to decorate, paint, carve pumpkins and dress up for the Halloween Parade.

But let's first recap September, we enjoyed making apples during art. Mrs. Dina brought the center apples, and we ate them for a special snack. They were delicious! We got to know our friends' families and pets. During emotions week we concentrated on getting along with our peers and showing kindness, which has really taught us to use our listening skills to help to improve our communication skills, not only with our peers, but with our teachers. It's still a work in progress but we're getting there.

Our class would like to welcome our new friends Max, Eliana, and James. We will be saying goodbye to Abby, Avery, and Milo. Have fun in Preschool friends. Ms. Emily has joined me in the toddler room. She is now our Assistant Teacher. Our class is so excited to have her here.

As our older toddlers prepare for preschool, we've been practicing recognizing and spelling our names. As we develop our fine motor skills, we have also been working on writing our names and practicing cutting with scissors. We really enjoy doing these skills and our teacher is also showing us how to recognize the letters and numbers of the month. Who knew learning was so much fun. We can't wait to see what the rest of the school year will bring.



- Ms. Danielle & Ms. Emily

Preschool Room News:

Hello Preschool Parents, Most of you know us, but for the ones that don't, we are Ms. Amanda and Ms. Karlyn. We are the new preschool teachers, and we are very excited to be spending time with our new friends. We are going to be working very hard on following our classroom schedule and rules.

There are so many different things that we will be learning. The class will be working on tracing, cutting, name recognition, learning to stay in centers when playing with friends and so much more. This month we will be working on learning the color orange, the shape triangle, the letters A, T, & F and the numbers 5 & 8. We want to welcome Mylo, Abby, and Avery to our class as they make their transition from the Toddler class. We are very happy to have you. We are looking forward to the fun fall activities this month.



- Ms. Amanda & Ms. Karlyn

REFERRAL PLAN

Invite family or friends to visit our center.
When they enroll with us you earn \$50 in cash
or a \$50 credit towards your next invoice.



CLASSROOM NEWS CONTINUED!!!

Pre-K Room News:

Happy Fall Y'all

September has been a BLAST! The new school year transition went smoothly, and everyone has settled very nicely in our Pre-K classroom.

The month started out with our students telling us about themselves and the things they are fond of. We are definitely going to have an exciting year because we found out that there is so much talent in this classroom.

Then we had a fun and COLORFUL day with our old crayons. We made a beautiful art melting crayons project. As a group, we used the hot sun to make a stream of colors run down the cardboard that we glued crayons to. We even made our own crayons. The children broke up old crayons and mixed up the colors in different molds, creative juices were flowing.

We had a "Bring Your Favorite Book to School Day". Let me tell you, we have a lot of little readers here! We had so many children bring in their favorite book that we were still reading them the following week. We also had a very special treat, Delaney and Eleni chose to read their own books to the class and they did absolutely AMAZING!!!

Family and pets week was so much fun. We shared with each other pictures of our families and pets and we learned all about the special people in our lives. All pictures were placed on our family wall. We even took a class picture to add to the wall. We are family too!

Feelings and emotion week was a very productive week. We talked about our feelings and how important it is to use our words to express ourselves to each other and how to respect each other's feelings. We also added an affirmation wall to our classroom. The children love saying the affirmations on a daily basis... Reminds them how special each and every one of them is.

The children are doing FANTASTIC, learning the alphabet, numbers, days of week, and months of the year in both English and Spanish. This year we added learning colors in Spanish. The color of the month was RED. We Love hearing them roll their R's!

This is going to be an amazing year. Can't wait to see what October brings.

- Ms. Carrie & Ms. Lisa



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the best investment you will
make in their education.**



CLASSROOM NEWS CONTINUED!!!

School Age News:

Hello and welcome to October!!!

The first month of school was a tough one, but we got through it. The children are doing a good job making sure that we get outside for the buses on time. They even have a little time to play outside before their day starts. Marcus loves school and the children have been helping each other with homework. Let's keep it going!!!

Last month, on their days off, they came prepared to have a good time. They watched movies and created their own apple trees with red, green, and yellow pom poms. They also made and painted clay houses for Family & Pets Week. They were awesome!

We ask parents to speak to their children about the bus. After school, when we are getting the children off the bus, it takes a little longer because they have their laptops and other things out on the bus. Can we please encourage them to keep all their belongings in their bookbags until we get inside the center? That way we get them off in a timely fashion and they don't accidentally leave anything on the bus. Thank you so much.

- Ms. Crystal, Ms. Gail, & Ms. Meghan



HALLOWEEN PARADE – TUESDAY, OCT 31ST AT 2:30PM



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Halloween Safety Tips

Halloween is lots of fun! Children enjoy getting dressed up and trick or treating. Parents should use the following tips to keep Halloween safe:

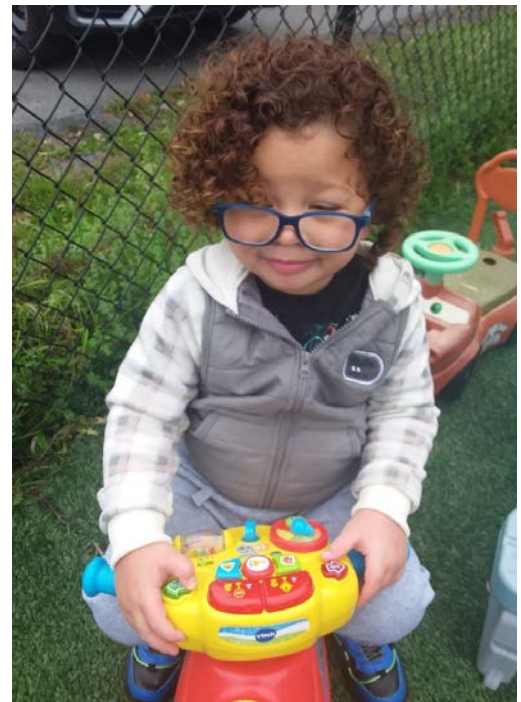
1. Choose a light-colored costume because these are easily seen at night.
2. Add reflective tape or glow in the dark tape to the front and back of the costume and the trick-or-treat bag.
3. Only buy costumes that are labeled “flamed-retardant”. This means that the material won’t burn.
4. Make sure wigs and beards don’t cover the children’s faces.
5. If using costume make-up, test the make up on your child’s arm first to make sure they are not allergic.
6. Avoid oversized and high-heeled shoes as well as large costumes that can cause children to trip and fall.
7. Make sure that any props your children carry, such as wands or swords are short and flexible. Do not bring swords or toy firearms to school.
8. Limit trick-or-treating to your neighborhood and the homes of people you and your children know.
9. When the children get home, check all treats and make sure they are sealed. Throw out candy with torn packages or holes in the packages, spoiled items, and any homemade treats that haven’t been made by someone you know.
10. Don’t allow children to have hard candy or gum that could cause choking.



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A LOOK BACK AT SEPTEMBER



YOUR FEEDBACK

We appreciate the wonderful feedback we have received so far! Thank you so much! Please support us by sharing that great feedback with others by giving us a 5-star review on our [website](#) or on our [Facebook](#) page. Thank you for your help and for being a part of our Bright Beginnings family!