



October Newsletter

The weeks are flying by and it's starting to feel like fall outside! We have been doing lots of fall things in our classroom, with lots more to come! The children are all enjoying the autumn projects, songs and stories. We continue to talk about a different letter each week, as well as work on name, shape and number recognition. The check-in board is now names only on pumpkins. The children's names are also on placemats which the children need to find at snack time. With cooler weather on the way, it is really helpful to have your child practice getting on and off his or her jacket independently. It really helps get us to the playground faster!

We will start our Estimating Jar later this month and continue to do this every Friday. The jar has a small number of items in it and the children estimate how many items are in it before we count them. Sometimes we make a pattern out of what is inside. We are also learning about the changing seasons, leaves and pumpkins - and we'll have some Halloween fun, too.

The children have settled quickly into our routines. We will continue to work on listening in circle, taking turns talking, and using kind words and friendly hands. The children love getting their jobs, are learning new songs and rhymes and really look forward each day to the Surprise Bag. They are getting better and better at listening to the clues and really *thinking* about what could be in the bag, as well as raising his/her hand to take a guess without calling out the answer. It also appears that Digby the Dog has been having a lot of fun!

Later in the month we will be doing a special Halloween craft. Your child will need an empty, clean jar (pickle, salsa, spaghetti sauce, etc) for this project. Please clean off any labels, but we do not need the lids. If you haven't already, please send one in by the 19th.

We will use Sign-up Genius for our Halloween party on the 30th. That will be put up soon. Additional information about the parade is also being sent home soon.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Upcoming Dates

10/12 No School

10/21 - Fall Festival – The 3 year old classes will have fun with pumpkins, games and Halloween songs on the playground, as well as a special snack. NO Lunch Bunch this day!

10/26 – Original Works orders due

10/28 –Orange Day – Wear orange and bring in some pictures for our orange collage.

10/30 - Halloween Parade at 9:15 and class party later that morning - More information will come home about the parade and a sign- up for party donations will be put on Sign-up Genius. NO Friday specials this day!

11/4 – School Pictures

And mark your calendars – our Christmas show will be Monday 12/14 at 11:15!

