



Fall 2025

Dear Parents,

Fall Greetings from the Preschool! The cooler weather is finally beginning and there are many changes in our environment this time of the year. One thing that doesn't change is our commitment to your children and their education. Thank you so much for sharing them with our staff as we all play and learn together!!

Halloween Festivities

It's hard to believe that it's almost Halloween! Friday, October 31, is our Halloween Parade. The lower lot will be coned off for the safety of the children. All parents should park in the upper lot or near the playground and walk their child, dressed in costume, to the entry doors. Then, please grab a spot outside to watch the parade.

The parade will begin at 9:15 at the upper doors, and we will walk along the parking lot to the big rock. We will all sing a few holiday songs, and then there will be a photo op for each individual class. After the parade and photos are finished, the children will take off their costumes and have a regular school day. We will **NOT** have Friday Specials this day, so the kids can go home and rest up for the big night of Trick-or-Treat. Please see your teacher's emails or newsletters for specific party information. All treats that enter the preschool must be NUT-FREE.

Our 2 year old students do not parade outside the school. They will celebrate on Thursday, Oct 30, by wearing orange or a Halloween shirt and have a special snack during school. Please see your teacher's communications for further information.

Concordia Cares Events

We will once again collect extra/unwanted Halloween candy to donate to Stockings for Soldiers. There will be bins at each entrance from Halloween until Monday, Nov. 10.

We are asking that children in our 3 and 4 year old classes bring in canned goods for our chapel service on Wednesday, November 19. We will collect these and donate them to the local food pantry.

In December, we will collect new hats and mittens on our giving tree to donate to local children in need.

Fall Fundraisers

Thanks to all who attended our Trunk or Treat. It was very fun and festive! The event raised approximately \$800 for our school!!

We had 29 children participate in our Original Art Works fundraiser. Items you ordered should be sent to us before Thanksgiving break. Thank you for your participation!

Our next fall fundraiser **"Raise Craze"** will be starting on November 4th! During this fundraiser you will be able to set up a profile for your child where friends and family can donate to the school. A link will be provided to you and donations can be made online. Funds raised will be used for things such as playground maintenance and items for the classrooms. During this time the children will be participating in various "Acts of Kindness" (such as a canned food drive and making cards) at school. More info to come soon!

Scholastic Book Fair

The fall book fair will be held in the downstairs lobby area from November 6-14. You will be able to shop at drop off and pick up. If you would like to shop in the morning, please go through the regular car line and then park your car in a spot that doesn't interfere with car line traffic. A cashier will be present to help you shop and check out. You can also shop after school. Please pick up your child from the classroom before heading to the book fair. Look for a sign up genius to volunteer to help with check out.

School Photos

John Gallen will be here to take school portraits of the children on November 12 and 13. Envelopes describing the different packages and pricing will be coming home soon. Please indicate your choice on the envelope and place your check inside. Photos will be here before we close for Christmas break.

Fall Conferences

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Monday, Nov. 24 for both 3 Day 3 year old classes and the Readiness class; and Tuesday, Nov. 25 for both 2s classes, Mrs. Chandler's 5 day 3 year old class and Mrs. Doran's 5 Day 4s. School will not be held on either day. Your teacher will contact you with available time slots. Babysitting is available during your conference time.

Field Trip Fees

Field trip fee sheets will come home soon. The paper will list the programs in and away from school that your child will participate in this year along with the cost of each trip. A total is listed at the bottom, and that is the fee you should pay. Julie will send invoices to you or you can send in a check. Field trip fees are due by December 1.

Friday Specials

The last Friday Special for the fall session is Dec 12. Registration for the next session will take place on Monday, Dec. 8. It will be a 12 week session (2 weeks longer) and cost \$228. Registration forms will come home in mid-Nov. The offerings are soccer, dance, karate and yoga. The winter/spring session of Friday Specials will begin on January 9.

Weather

The weather is getting colder, but we still play outside as much as possible. Please dress your child appropriately. Also, please check the change of clothes you sent in for your child at the beginning of the year. Many are warm weather items. Please change them with the seasons

and as your child grows. Label as many of your child's items as possible including his/her coat, hat, back pack and lunch box.

It's shaping up to be a busy and fun-filled fall 🍁

Yours in candy corn and thankful feathers,
Helen Spillan

Upcoming dates:

10/31	Halloween Parade 9:15 am
11/6-14	Scholastic Book Fair in downstairs lobby
11/10	Advisory Board Meeting 7 pm
11/12 13	School Photos
11/19	Canned good donation at Chapel
11/24, 25	Parent/Teacher Conferences, NO Classes
11/26-28	Thanksgiving Break



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