



October 2021 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

September was a month of transition and making new friends! All our new children did their best adjusting to the new environment thanks to the support of the families and teachers.

Topics for October

In October we are looking forward to exploring the autumn season. We will talk about the rippling fruits, changing leaves and the weather. Thanksgiving and Halloween stories will be read during circle time. Finger play songs, carving pumpkins, counting acorns and other different activities will be also included in group time activities.

Halloween

The Halloween celebration for our class will be held on **Friday, October 29**. We invite children to wear costumes on that day. It is optional for your child to be dressed up, but we look forward to this celebration and seeing all the different costumes. It is important to mention that the child's costume should be comfortable but also easy to remove for last minute washroom trips. We would also like to emphasize that your child does **not wear any masks or carry any weapons to school as this may frighten some children**. If you are planning to prepare goodie bags, please have them ready in advance and send them to school by Wednesday, October 27. We will "quarantine" them here for a few days.

If your child is in the 3 days program and he is not attending school on the day when we have a party/event you are welcome to switch the days on that week. Please let the teachers know about the change.

Pumpkin Patch

We will organize this event in a walking distance place, close to our school, or in our playground.

Show and Tell

Every Friday we encourage children to bring an item from home (something related to the theme/topic of the week/month) for the Show and Tell activity. This group activity is an opportunity to teach young children the skills of public speaking, to share their ideas, thoughts, and knowledge.

Scholastic orders

Orders are not mandatory. If you decide to place an order you can do it online. Our class code is RC204519.

Reminders

- 1) Please put your child's name on all items including disposable yogurt containers, plastic bags containing food, spoon, fork, water bottle, etc. Clothing can be labeled with your child's name on the white tags (eg. the one which has the washing instructions). If you child brings home an items that doesn't belongs to him, please send an email to let us know so we can inform the other parents.
- 2) Please do not send food for your child which contains nuts. It will be sent home. We are a nut free environment.
- 3) Dress your child accordingly to the weather. If it seems as though it may rain, please have your child come to school with rain boots and a rain jacket. Please be advised that our school heater is on during the cold weather, therefore the classrooms are quite warm.
- 4) Send a non-medical mask in your child backpack in case it needs to be used (we always ask the child if he feels comfortable wearing one).
- 5) Drop off time should be before 9:00 am. We understand that for some families it could be a challenge especially for those also having school age children. Please make sure the latest time you drop off your child is not later than 9:10 – 9:15. It is causing disruption to our both classes.
- 6) No school on Monday, October 11 – Thanksgiving Day

Do not hesitate to approach us with any questions you may have any time of the year. We will be happy to address these questions after class hours or over the phone.

Sincerely,

Ms. Farah, Ms. Josie, and Ms. Sahar