



## October 2023 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 changes we see around us. Thanksgiving and Halloween stories will be read during circle time. Songs, carving pumpkins, and other different activities will be also included in group time activities.

### Halloween

The Halloween celebration for our class will be held on **Tuesday, October 31**. 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 make sure everyone gets one. There will be 23 children in our daycare class.

### 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.

<https://bookclubs.scholastic.ca/s/cec-ca/en/digital-catalogues>

## **Reminders**

- 1) It looks like the cold & flu season started earlier this year. Please follow the school's sick policy as described in the September newsletter and keep your child home if he is displaying any symptoms. It's important to protect the other children and teachers.
- 2) 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 your child brings home an item that doesn't belong to him, please send an email to let us know so we can inform the other parents.
- 3) Please do not send food for your child which contains nuts. It will be sent home. We are a nut free environment.
- 4) 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. Avoid sending muddy buddies. Rain pants preferred.
- 5) Just a reminder. Children should arrive by 9:00 am. School doors will be closed after 9:10 am. You are welcome to drop off your child between 11:30 am – 12:00 pm.
- 6) No school on Monday, October 2 – Truth & Reconciliation Day to be observed.
- 7) No school on Monday, October 9 – 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. Serena, and Ms. Shukria**