PRESCHOOL FOR ALL NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2021

I can't believe it is October already! The first month of school has certainly flown by! It is so wonderful to be back in the classroom five days a week this year! The children are doing a great job wearing their masks, as well as learning the routines and expectations in the classroom. We've had a great start to the school year!



OCTOBER EVENTS

October will be a very busy month! We will finish working on our Beginning of the Year study. So far, we have become familiar with the routines and materials in our classroom, learned our daily schedule and developed our classroom rules. As we head into October, we will explore the following questions: "How do we make and keep friends?" and "What sounds do we hear at school?". We will spend some time talking about fall and pumpkins and end the month with a celebration of Halloween.

We are so excited to bring back field trips this year! Our first trip will be to the Palos Children's Farm on Tuesday, October 19. Due to the bus driver shortage, both AM and PM sessions will attend the trip together from 11:15-1:30. The students will have the opportunity to explore the farm and see some animals up close, as well as pick a pumpkin. We are also excited to welcome parents/guardians into our school for our pumpkin decorating event on Friday, October 22 from 1:15-2:15. Each student is invited to bring one adult to help decorate the pumpkins we pick at the farm. Due to COVID restrictions, only one adult is allowed per child and no siblings will be allowed at either event. Thank you for understanding!

HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

Preschool For All will celebrate Halloween on Thursday, October 28. Children may dress up in costume and we will parade in front of the school at 12:05. Students may bring an individually wrapped treat to distribute to their classmates.

There will be no preschool classes on Friday, October 29 due to the District Early Dismissal Day.

SEESAW

While we hope that our remote learning days are behind us, we have learned over the past few years that it is best to be prepared for the worst! In the case of remote learning, we will be using an app called Seesaw Class. I will post assignments on Seesaw that your child can complete from home. This app is to be installed on the device that your child would use to complete school work, such as an iPad, tablet or computer. Each child will be receiving a unique code that will act as their login on Seesaw Class.

Please take a few minutes to set up Seesaw Class for your child and keep your code in a safe place. This app is different from the Seesaw Family app. Seesaw Family should be installed on a parent's phone to receive communications about the class. Seesaw Class is the app that the children would use to complete their assignments in the case of remote learning. I know this can be very confusing so please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions or concerns you may have! I am happy to assist in any way possible!

THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone for your support during these first few weeks of school! We have a wonderful class and I am so grateful that you are sharing your children with me this year!

SAVE THE DATE

- Thursday, October 7 Lawn Manor Picture Day
- Monday, October 11 No School Columbus Day
- Tuesday, October 19 Field Trip to Palos Children's Farm (all students attend school 11:15-1:30)
- Friday, October 22 Pumpkin Decorating: 1:15-2:15
- Thursday, October 28 Halloween Parade: 12:05
- Friday, October 29 Early Dismissal NO PRESCHOOL CLASSES

As always, if you ever have any questions or concerns, please contact me via Seesaw, call me at (708) 423-3078 or email me at <u>cbrychel@ahsd125.org</u>.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Colleen Brychel

