

# OCTOBER PRESCHOOL NEWS



Oct. 1, 2024

Hello Parents,

October is one of my favorite months of year! Crisp mornings, cooler days, clear blue skies and thoughts of pumpkins, Halloween and the upcoming holidays. The children are already excited about Halloween and I do love hearing about their plans for costumes and then seeing the costumes at Trunk or Treat!! October is Fire Safety Month. We are expecting a visit from the Roswell Fire Dept. On Wednesday, Oct. 2nd and Thursday, Oct. 10th. The fire department will bring one of their trucks to school & a fire fighter will talk to us about fire safety. As a family, be sure to talk about these tips too:

- Have a plan for how to escape from your home & decide on a safe meeting place, like your mailbox, where the whole family would meet, in case of a fire. Then practice!
- Talk to your children about what to do if their clothing catches on fire: STOP DROP and ROLL.
- 911 is the number you call for emergencies!

And don't forget to check your smoke detectors this month to see if they are in working order - put new batteries in them if needed!

There is so much going on in October!

Please read on for more information about what's happening at preschool!



Here are some upcoming dates to note:

- **Tuesday, Oct. 8: Playdate at the Park!**  
Mabry Park at 1:15pm, right after dismissal. Come join other families at the park for fun & socializing!
- **Friday, Oct. 11th - Monday, Oct. 14th: SPCP Closed.** Preschool is closed for our Fall Break!
- **Thursday, Oct. 17: School Spirit Day!** Wear your school spirit shirt and don't forget, we dismiss at 12:30pm!

## Music & Movement

The children will attend Music & Movement on Wednesday, Oct. 9th or Tuesday, Oct. 29th



## Catholic Seeds

Ms. Suzanne says, "In October, our Scripture story will be the story of Noah and the Ark! Together we will talk about how Noah was obedient to God, and how God took care of Noah and his family. We will discuss God's faithfulness in always keeping His promises, and how He shows us the rainbow to remind us that He is with us in the world."

Our sanctuary items this month are **Holy Water** and the **Baptismal Font**. The children will learn about the sacrament of Baptism and how the water washes us clean from original sin. We will also practice blessing ourselves with holy water as a way to make us clean when entering God's house.

Look for a note from Ms. Suzanne on either October 15th or 16th!

Please remember to: Wash your child's tote bag! Clean your car door handles! Clean your child's lunchbox! We are grateful to all of you as you continue to monitor your child's health & appreciative that you are keeping your child home when he or she exhibits symptoms of an illness. Thank you!!



## Fall School Pictures

Atlanta School Portraits will be coming to take individual pictures of the children! The pictures will be taken outside by class. We will also take sibling pictures together on the day of the youngest child.

We will have pictures on the following days:

**Tuesday, 10/22:** TTh 2s, TThF 2s, TThF 3s, M-Th 3s, M-Th 4s

**Wednesday, 10/23:** MW 18s, MWF 2s, MWF 3s, M-F 4s, PreK Plus



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### Parent Council Info

**Care & Share Committee:** This Committee coordinates meals for Preschool families who have had a baby, is experiencing illness or a difficult event or other need. It takes many volunteers who are willing to make part of a meal, or to donate a gift card to families in our preschool community. Can you help out? Look for a Sign-Up coming out very soon from your room parent!! Thank you so much for your help!

**Scholastic Book Orders:** Once the orders are finalized & the books arrive, we will distribute them by placing them in your child's tote bag. You can always order online! Follow the prompts to find out school. Sept. book orders have gone out. October orders are due by Oct. 18th

**Teacher Appreciation Week Donation Envelopes:** Thank you for returning your envelope! If you have not returned, you may still do so! We appreciate the \$10/student or \$15/family. This money assists us when we buy gifts, decorations and food for the week we celebrate the Preschool staff!

**Moms Mingle:** We've had our first event and what fun!! Thank you Lauren Macklin & Isa Stula for a fun trivia night!

Be sure to check out PhotoCircle for pictures from the teachers!

## Upcoming Events! Mark your calendar!!

October is full of cooler weather & fun events! We hope you can join us for one two or all three them!

**Playdate at the Park:** Tuesday, Oct. 8th after carpool! We will meet at Mabry Park for some outdoor fun. Wear your SPC Preschool shirt so we can spot each other!



**Daddy, Jack & Me:** Sunday, Oct. 20th at 3pm. Dads, bring a hollowed out pumpkin & some carving tools to make a jack o'lantern with your child! Best Pumpkin wins a prize, contest at 3:45pm



**Trunk or Treat:** Sunday, Oct. 27th from 2-4pm. This is the most fun of the Fall! Children dress up in costumes and trick or treat from car trunk to car trunk! Prizes for best trunk and best costumes! Bring about 200 pieces of candy!



## October Phone Calls



In the beginning of October, your child's teacher will be making a special effort to call each parent in their class to touch base and answer any questions you might have about how your child is doing. Look for more information from your child's teacher about when they may be calling you!



## Speech Screenings

On Tuesday, 10/22 & Wednesday, 10/23, we will be offering OPTIONAL Preschool Speech and Language Screenings for children in the 3s, 4s and PreK Plus classes. Younger children who turn 3 before December 1, 2024 may also be considered for screening. {Please reach out to Ms. Rebecca for a form if your child is in the 2s}

The screenings will be conducted by Kristen Ethridge, M.Ed., CCC-SLP. Screenings are a process that help to determine if there are any red flags that may warrant a full, comprehensive evaluation. Your child will enjoy engaging with a licensed SLP in a 1 on 1 setting, through play and formal assessment. Kristen is trained to make this screening process FUN for your child. The assessment includes a brief screening of basic concepts, articulation, receptive and expressive language skills, pragmatics and fluency.

A flyer was sent home in all 3s, 4s & PreK Plus tote bags. If your child is in a 2s class & turns 3 before December 1, 2024, please reach out to Ms. Rebecca for a form.

If you are interested in having your child screened, please return the permission form and payment to Kristen no later Oct. 17th.

Communication will be coming out soon with a few changes to morning & afternoon carpool!

Enjoy the beautiful weather! As always, contact me if you have any questions!

Blessing to you and your families,  
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