

October 2011

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am excited to say that fall is well underway and October is here!!! I love FALL-it is one of my favorite seasons, however it is a very busy season, at that! I would like to first of all say thank you to everyone that was able to attend and/or help out with Aley's Fall Festival, which was held on, Saturday, September 24th! If you got the chance to join us, then you also got to see myself, as well as, Ms. Abby battling over the game of "Dangling Donuts!!!" It was quite amusing and I am sure there are some great photos swarming around that could be used to your advantage, later on, if needed! ☺

Reminders:

As usual, just a few reminders with the upcoming weather changes that are anticipated during this time of year, please be sure that your child's extra set of clothes is not only appropriate in size, but is warm enough to wear, should it be needed. It is also very important that you label everything your child wears/brings in with their name, including their bags and jackets.

Lastly, we do realize that we are coming into the cold and flu season, with that we are trying to prevent the spread of illness by sending bedding home to be washed weekly. So it is very important that you bring your child's sleeping materials back, cleaned and in their bedding bag, that is also labeled, with their name.

Updates:

We have two very exciting bits of information, to share with you and that is, number one, you should have already received an email from Ms. Abby in regards to **Aley going GREENER!** We will begin to send our newsletters via email from now, until the end of the year and then in, January we will only be sending them via email! We hope this will be easier for each of our families, as far as communication, however if you feel that you still would like a hard copy of the newsletter, then please feel free to let us know and we will be happy, to send it home, in your child's cubby! ☺

Secondly, we have, reached full capacity each day in many of our classrooms, and we are so thankful to be in this position, with that Church Council, has just recently approved for us to use a second room upstairs! We are so blessed to have this opportunity and are happy to share, that this room will be opening up for children between the ages of 2 ½ to 3 years, beginning the week of November 7th! If your child is expected to move up you will be receiving a transition letter soon that will need to be completed and returned! If you have any questions or concerns, with this room set up, please feel stop in and ask us anytime!

Upcoming Events:

We have a lot going on, so please continue to read along: Below you will find a list of all of our upcoming events, for the month, so mark your calendars!

October 10th-the Beaver Creek Fire Department will be here, for a visit, to talk about fire safety, beginning at 9:30 a.m.!!!

October 13th-the Smile Wagon will be stopping by, around 9:30, to talk to our children about clean teeth and why it is so important to brush your teeth!!! This program is provided by the Greene County Combined Health District.

October 16th-is Children's Day, and we will be celebrating our beautiful children in church on that Sunday! Our children will be singing, "Jesus Loves Me," in front of the Congregation, at both the 9:00 a.m. as well as 10:30 a.m. services! Each family received an invitation, included was also an R.S.V.P, (last month), to let us know if your child will be able to attend either service or both-please, if you have not already done so, let us know if you and your family are available to join us or not-it's not too late to sign up! 😊

October 18th and 19th-is School Picture Day, beginning at 7:30 a.m. Attached you will find Picture Day Information as well as a photograph permission slip. The Information page will have your child's picture date at the top and the photograph permission slip needs to be completed and returned to the office or your child's teacher prior to Friday, October 14th! Pictures will not be taken without the form.

October 31st, is our Fall Harvest Party, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Children and parents are invited to wear costumes, however please keep in mind that we are a preschool, within a Church. Children are allowed to bring in treats for their classmates if they would like, although it is not necessary; below is the total # of students per class if you are interested, also please keep in mind that we have several students with allergies, and that we are a **peanut free facility**.

- Roses Class (ages 18 months-3 years): 25 students
- Sweet Pea's Class (3-4 years): 24 students **(Peanut/Pecan Allergy-within class)**
- Poppy's Class (Pre-k; 4-5 years): 22 students **(Milk/Peanut/Chocolate Allergy-within class)**
- Daisy's Class (Kindergarten): 4 students **(Cashew/Nut/Pistachio/Sesame Seed Allergy-within class)**
- Snap Dragon's Class (1st-5th Grade): 17 students

We look forward to another wonderful month with each of you and hope you all have a wonderful FALL!

Sincerely,

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