



THE PRESBYTERIAN SCHOOL

Center for Learning and Creative Play

October 2017

Need to Reach Us?

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Dates to Remember

- Oct. 3rd – Pre-K begins music with Peggy Coppler
- Oct. 5th – Lunch Bunch begins
- Oct. 6th – Tuition due
- Oct. 6th – First Library Day
- Oct. 13th – Picture Day
- Oct. 19th – Scholastic Order Forms due
- Oct. 20th – Halloween Pajama Party for 3's class
- Oct. 23rd-27th – Fall Break (no school)
- Oct. 27th – Spaghetti Supper at Presbyterian Church
- Oct. 30th – Walking Field Trip to Charley Creek Gardens
- Oct. 31st – Halloween Pajama Party for Pre-K

Halloween Pajama Party

Our Halloween Pajama Party will be October 20th for the 3's class and October 31st for the Pre-K class. Students are invited to come to school in their favorite PJ's and slippers! This is a fun way to celebrate Halloween without all the scary stuff.

Fun Pumpkin Decorating Ideas

Smiley Face – One of the simplest ways to make your jack-o-lantern go from scary to silly is to give it a smile.

Animal Face – Instead of carving a human face onto the pumpkin, carve an animal face. This makes the pumpkin face playful and interesting.

Use the Stem – Cut the bottom of the pumpkin off, and hollow the pumpkin out through that hole. Then, turn the pumpkin on its side, and carve a face around the stem, using the stem as the nose.

Paint a Face – Paint a silly face onto the pumpkin, instead of cutting it open and carving it. This allows you to add color to your pumpkin.



Theme Time

The themes for October will be Insects & Spiders and Pumpkins & Halloween. The Theme Room Centers will be coordinated to these themes. Be sure to check your child's backpack to see what we've been doing!

Happy Birthday!



Happy birthday to Rebecca Wimberly as she celebrates this month!

Practice at Home

Pre-K Class

Students in the Pre-K class are practicing their cutting skills and printing their name. Extra help at home would be appreciated.



3-Year-Old Class

Please help your child to be more independent by letting them hang up their own coat and backpack. Students are having a difficult time unzipping their backpacks. Please help them practice at home.

Scholastic Book

Orders



Reading is an important way for your child to learn and grow. Plus, it's a great way for them to use their imagination!

Attached, you will find Scholastic Reading Club forms. If you are interested in buying books, **please make checks payable to Scholastic Reading Club**. If paying by cash, please put the correct amount in an envelope with your child's name on it. All forms should be returned by Thursday, October 19th.

"The Scholastic Reading Club is the only place to find hand-selected books just right for every reader at every reading level. Plus, every book you buy through the Reading Club gives back to the classroom and helps teachers build classroom libraries that keep kids excited about reading" (Scholastic.com).

Reminders & Announcements

Tuition

October tuition is due on Friday, October 6th. Pre-K tuition is \$100 and the 3-year-old class tuition is \$80.

Please make checks payable to **Presbyterian Church**. Please also write your child's name on the memo line of the check, as a student's name does not always match the name on the check.

If paying with cash, please put the cash in an envelope with your child's name written on the front. We will put a receipt in your child's backpack.

Picture Day

Portraits by Nicole A. Howard Photography will be here on Friday, October 13th to take individual pictures as well as a group picture. If you need an order form, please let one of the teachers know.

Field Trip – Charley Creek Gardens

On Monday, October 30th, both classes will be walking to Charley Creek Gardens. It is not mandatory the 3's class come that day, but we would like to have as many as possible. Remember to dress your child for the weather and have them wear comfortable walking shoes. If you would like to be a chaperone, please let one of the teachers know.

Backpacks

Please send your child to school each day with a backpack and check it each day for papers from school. Please include a weather-appropriate change of clothing in case of accidents.

Lunch Bunch

Our weekly Lunch Bunch will begin Thursday, October 5th. Lunch Bunch is open to all students. Sign up will be located in the hall outside the classrooms. Bring a lunch and drink. Cost is \$5. Dismissal from Lunch Bunch is 1:30pm. Please be prompt in picking up your child. There must be at least 5 students signed up in order to have Lunch Bunch.

Show & Tell

We will be sending our Show & Tell bag home each Thursday with one child from each class. The students will bring an item to share with the class on Friday. Pets must be pre-arranged.