

Preschool News

October 2011

What are we doing this month?

Our classroom activities this month will include:

- **Five senses**
- **Family of the week**
- **Fall:** Exploration of leaves
- **Apples:** Johnny Appleseed, apple treat, craft
- **Pumpkin Sciences**
- **Cooking** with seasonal foods (corn, cranberries, cinnamon, and other harvest vegetables and fruit)



Reminders:

- Fall is an excellent time for children to learn about colors and to learn how our surrounding changes in this season. In addition, we will learn about the weather, leaves, vegetables, fruits, and how animals can help us. The following week we will carve pumpkins, compare shapes in pumpkin, sizes, colors, animal sounds, and vowel sounds.
- We need your cooperation by bringing in a small pumpkin (with its stem) for your child. All kinds of pumpkins are welcomed in our Preschool classroom if you have any types of pumpkins (big, small, white, green, or orange) to spare, please send them by Thursday the 13th of October.
- As the weather gets cooler please bring appropriate clothing.

Important school information:

The preschool field trip to the apple orchard will be **on Friday, October 7**. This trip is a wonderful opportunity for our preschoolers to learn about apples, make apple cider, and pick apples to bring home.

Fall Preschool Conferences: Conferences will be held on October 11th, 13th, 17th, 19th and 24th. Soon we will send you a note regarding times and dates. Please contact your teacher if you have any questions.

We will have a celebration for Halloween on **Friday the 28th**. For the morning session the celebration will start at 10:30 and the pm will 2:15. Please come in costume and bring a healthy treat to share.

Family Involvement

If you can participate this month as Family of the Week, please select the week in which you would like to participate and return to class in your child's backpack or during drop-off/pick-up.

Family of the Week Days!!!

Date	Name of Family Member, Child	AM	PM
Week of 10/11			
Week of 10/18			
Week of 10/25			

Some ideas for Family of the Week participation:

- making a family collage or drawing at home to send into school
- visiting the classroom
- sharing a favorite book or activity with the class (either by sending it into school with your child or bringing it into the classroom)
- bringing/sending or making a favorite snack.

When it's your turn to participate, we will provide you with more detailed information and ideas.