



Room 3 Newsletter
Ms. Sharon and Ms. Dina
October 2024

Happy October, everyone! Our little class has been busy getting to know each other and getting into the PreK-4 groove. We have started our letters of the alphabet. The children will be introduced to the letters Bb, Cc, Dd and Ee and Ff for this month. For the letters of the alphabet, the children will be identifying words that begin with these letters as well as their letter sounds. The children have been enjoying the letter trays with varied activities each day. We will be integrating a lot of projects, experiments and arts and crafts that begin with these letters (bouncing bubbles, balloons, candy corn for fall, dinosaurs, elephants, fall colored leaves, etc.)

October is also busy month for our school. The Teddy Bear Picnic is scheduled on the first week as culmination of the letter Bb. The children will be able to bring their favorite teddy bear or stuffed animal and have a picnic of Teddy Bear Grahams. Permission slips will be sent prior to the activity. The second week is Fire Prevention Week. The Harrison Fire Department will come and talk to the children about fire safety. We will learn how to STOP, DROP and ROLL along with Sparky the Fire dog. We also conduct fire drills and shelter in place with the children. We also have Back to School

Night scheduled on Thursday, October 10 from 6:30-7:30pm so be sure to mark your calendars.

We will be having the Scholastic Book Fair in October as well as Mystery Reader. Parents or grandparents, can come and read to the class. Sign-up sheets will be posted on the bulletin board outside the classroom. This is a SECRET SURPRISE for your child so please do not tell them that you are coming.

Pumpkin Patch is on Oct 24. The grassy area by the school parking lot will be set up with scarecrows, bales of hay and a lot of little pumpkins. Your little pumpkin will be able to bring home a pumpkin that day. This is an activity the children look forward to as well as the Trunk or Treat for Halloween.

The theme for October is bats, black cats, scarecrows, Columbus Day, dinosaurs, Fire Prevention and Safety, Halloween (ghosts, witches, spiders, pumpkins, Jack-o-Lantern, and Teddy Bear Picnic.).

In Math, we will be exploring the numbers 4,5 and 6 and the shapes crescent and triangle. Our colors for the month are black and orange.

For Science, we will be conducting experiments such as the Bouncing Bubble, and guess whether a pumpkin can sink or float. We will be using our five senses to describe how a pumpkin looks like, smell like, feels and sounds like when it's sliced open.

We will also get to know Christopher Columbus is celebration of Columbus Day. We will also get to know the helpers in our community, particularly the firemen, EMS and policemen.

October is Rosary Month. The children will learn about the rosary, Mama Mary, the guardian angels as well as St. Francis of Assisi.

As the children are strengthening their fine motor skills, we expose them to a lot of cutting, paper tearing, play doh, lacing cards, putting stickers on papers, using small broken crayons to encourage the tripod grip when writing and coloring, etc. These skills are our main focus, as well as proper handling of scissors, using appropriate words as well as talking sentences.

Important Dates to Remember:

October 2 Wednesday - PTA meeting 9:00 am at the gym

Feast of the Guardian Angels

October 4 Friday - Teddy Bear Picnic

October 7-11 - Fire Prevention Week

October 10 Thursday - Back to School Night 6:30-7:30 pm

October 14 Monday - It's Great to Live in Harrison day/Columbus Day

NO SCHOOL

October 15 Tuesday - Pajarama Day

October 15 - 20 - Scholastic Book Fair/Mystery Reader

October 24 Thursday - Pumpkin Patch

October 31 Friday - Trunk or Treat Celebrations

Reminders:

- Please send in a healthy, nut free snack everyday
- As the weather is starting to get cooler, please send in a sweater/long sleeved shirt/hoodie that can be left in school. We go to the playground weather permitting and the children gets cold.

- Please email me at misssharonpe@gmail.com if your child is going to be absent or any concerns you may have
- Classes start 8:45 am - Please try to arrive on time!

All the best,

Ms. Sharon and Ms. Dina

