

E-town Child Care Chronicle

October, 2023



Fall is here bringing cooler days, earlier sunsets, and colorful leaves. The children are learning their classroom routines, building relationships with their peers and teachers and becoming more independent. We look forward to watching them learn and grow as the school year progresses!

Events planned for October.

- October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. To increase awareness, we encourage your child to wear something pink every Friday this month. If you don't have pink, red is fine too to show love and support for those affected by this disease.



- On Monday, October 14th, (10-11 AM) preschool, PreK, Kindergarten and SAC will be attending a laser light assembly by Prismatic Magic. Children will learn about the science behind laser lights. This program is funded by the STEM grant.

- October 9 and 10th (10:15-10:45) we will have a fire truck on site for fire prevention month. Be sure to change the batteries in your smoke detectors and have a family evacuation plan in place!



- On Tuesday, October 29th Trunk or treat in the ECCC parking lot from 5:45 – 7:00pm. Enjoy dressing the family up in Halloween costumes and trick or treat from car to car.



Thank You!

Sincere thanks to all who participated in the 2023-24 Weis 4 School Program. ECCC

received a check for \$848.83. Flyers for this year's program were sent out in mailboxes and via Procure. Just link your Weis card to ECCC and we will get proceeds from your regular grocery purchases. Even if you shop at Weis infrequently, you can also give them to family and friends to register and shop making money for us. Flyers are available in the office. We encourage you to share the QR code with friends and family. Let's surpass last year's amount!

Some Safety Reminders

Our parking lot is much busier now with college students back. Please:

*Monitor children well when walking to and from the building.

*Be careful when backing out of a parking spot, you may not be able to see those walking behind your car.

*Park in a lined parking spot and turn your car off when dropping off/picking up your child. This is a state regulation.

When entering the building, please do not hold the door for the person behind you. Although this may seem the polite thing to do, we do not want to let strangers into the building.

Please make sure to sign your child in and out each day. When children are on the playground at pick-up, parents should walk to the playground and sign children out there; children will not be allowed to walk to their parent's car on their own.

If your child forgets something in the building, an adult must escort him/her into the building. Children cannot be without a parent or guardian in the building.

Thanks for helping us keep children safe and accounted for!

October

Inchworm News October 2024



September Recap

We learned about farms and harvesting crops, and enjoyed talking about farm animals, vehicles, gathering crops, and eating delicious foods. We read about farms, farmers, and foods. A favorite song was “Old MacDonald Had a Farm” and a favorite book was “Touch and Feel Baby Animals.” We did a lot of gross motor activities this month, working on crawling, rolling, climbing, and sitting, standing, and cruising. We enjoyed the beautiful autumn weather when we went outside.

Personal Achievements

Simon is beginning to stand independently, and squatting to play with toys. One of his favorite activities is throwing and rolling a ball to his teachers and to his friends, waiting excitedly for them to roll it back to him. Simon enjoys playing with the toy foods and kitchen, putting foods into the pots and pans and turning the knobs on the stove.

Boden has gone quickly from crawling on his tummy to suddenly pulling up to stand at any opportunity he gets. He enjoys being able to explore some toys he couldn't reach before, and he is very skilled at sitting himself back down from a standing position. Boden is really enjoying eating the foods from the toddler menu, and his self-feeding skills are improving daily.

Alijah has figured out how to pull up to stand at small tables and in his crib, and is working on learning to sit back down when he wants to move to a different location. He enjoys the book center, often standing behind the books and pulling them out one by one until it is empty. Alijah says several words including mama, dada, baba, and numnum.

Connor is scooting all over the room now, and sometimes gets up on his hands and knees and rocks back and forth in an effort to learn to crawl. He loves being able to move around the room to explore toys that his friends have put on the floor for him, especially pop-up toys. Connor is working on sitting up independently to play, getting better balanced every day.

Looking Ahead: In October, we will learn about autumn. We will read and sing songs about leaves



falling, cooler weather and Halloween. We will work on our gross motor skills like cruising, walking, scooting, crawling, rolling, and sitting with or without support. We are going to do some painting and coloring. We will continue to work on our fine motor skills, learning to hold our bottles, self-feeding, and learning and using signs and words.

Important Dates:

October: ECCC will be helping to raise awareness for breast cancer in October by having ‘Wear Pink or Red’ on Fridays in October.

October 9: Fire Prevention with Fire engine Visit 10:15-10:45 AM.

October 29: Trunk or Treat church parking lot 5:45 – 7:00 PM! Wear your costumes and Trick or Treat from car to car.



With the change in weather coming up in the fall, this is a good time to check your child's extra clothing supply and update it for the weather and for their current size. They are growing like wildflowers! Also, when the weather turns cooler, please bring or leave a jacket for them to wear when we go outside.

The Inchworm Staff--

Miss Chris and Miss Nicky



Fireflies October News 2024



We are adjusting to the new group in the room. I just wanted to add a few reminders. First, we go out early in the morning and it can get very chilly. Please remember to bring a jacket for your child. Also, with the cooler weather you may want to check your child's extra clothes. There may be summer items or things that your child has outgrown in their cubbie. Last, but not least, if your child is in pullups, please get the type with the Velcro sides.



What we enjoyed last month

We welcomed Leo and James to the room. They are adjusting well and making friends. Olive, Chloe, Charlotte, Kamari, Quinn and Will love the playground. They love all the leaves that have fallen from the trees. They are great "gatherers" and have fun gathering them in the shopping cart and buckets. They have been "checking out" the lines and shapes of the leaves as well. Who knows? Maybe one of them will end up as a great scientist and make a profound impact on our ecosystem.

Christopher, Jackson, Seven, Jenson, Rhett and Declan have been building and creating with the magnetic blocks. We may have a few future engineers in this room. We have also been getting to do some color mixing with their clear plastic colors.

Adeline, Ali, and Aura have been enjoying Circle time and the songs we sing. We have been singing a song called "The leaves are falling down". They are the first ones to say, "Again." Perhaps they will be famous singers or song writers.

As you can see, creativity and imagination can take a child many places.

Units of the month

Apples and fall

Scarecrows

Pumpkins

Creatures of the night.



Important dates

October 9th 10:15-10:45 AM - Fire Engine Visit for Fire Prevention Month.

October 29th 5:45 till 7:00PM- Trunk or Treat in church parking lot

October 31st is our room's costume party.

October is breast cancer awareness month. All Fridays in October wear pink or red to show our support.

The song of the month

Mr. Pumpkin

(Sung to "Frère Jacques")

"Mr. Pumpkin,"

"Mr. Pumpkin,"

"Eyes so round,"

"Eyes so round,"

"Halloween is coming,"

"Halloween is coming,"

"To our town,"

"To our town."





Chipmunk Chatter October 2024



In September we welcomed a new friend to our room; Carley. We have enjoyed getting to know each other. We also enjoy “PATHS” (Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies) with Mr. Jeff each morning while Miss Joan is on break.



Units of Study:

September 30th – Apples

October 7th – Let's Be Safe: Fire Prevention Week

October 14th – Owls and Bats

October 21st – Pumpkins

October 28th – Scarecrows and Corn



Special Events:

October 1st – Music with Mr. Ben: 10 am

October 10-Fire Prevention (Fire truck visit) 10:15-10:45

October 14th – “Lasermania” by Prismatic Magic: 10-11 am

October 29th – Trunk or Treat: 5:45 – 7pm “trick or treat” from car to car in church parking lot

October 31st – Fun fall treats with lunch



Reminders:

- **Please continue sending a filled bottle of water daily.**
- **Please label jackets, sweaters, and extra clothes.**
- **Our playground is very wet in the morning, if you would like to provide an old pair of shoes or boots to keep here, please label them with their name and the word “old.”**



This month the Chipmunks enjoyed...
Sort' Em up Pups (Lucas and Cairo)
PATHS (Carley)
Musical Instruments (Addie and Hannah)
Kinetic Sand (Jack and Collin)





Bluebird's Newsletter

October 2024



Hello one and all! Bluebirds had a strong start to our school year. PATHS have been a great addition to our morning to teach us about complimenting and how to be kind to ourselves and others. We explored pumpkins and “got to feel” their insides. The majority did NOT like it.

We also learned about apples and what foods that we eat everyday that are made with apples, like juice and pies! We have many more explorations coming this October! October is Ms. Lindsay's favorite month because it's officially the spooky season!



Themes:

Spiders/bats
Folk/Fairy Tales
Not So Scary Monsters
Candy Corn/Sweets
Halloween

Important Dates:

Music with Mr. Ben – October 1st

Fire Prevention (Visit from a fire truck) 10:15 -10:45 AM - Oct 10th

Lasermania (Laser light show) 10AM-11AM- Oct 14th in the fellowship hall

Wyatt's Birthday- Oct. 22nd

Halloween Movie- Oct. 25th

Trunk or Treat 5:45-7PM - Oct. 29th in the church parking lot
("Trick or Treat" from car to car filling your goodie bag.)

Class Halloween Party- Oct 31st





CUB News: October, 2024



Have we been a classroom family for a month already? September flew! We began the school year getting to know our teachers and friends, classroom centers, and room rules. We had fun learning about apples and tasting apples and apple juice and cider! Cubs ended September talking about autumn changes.

Welcome new friends, Kolsen and Wilson!

October themes

Pumpkins

Spiders

Bats

Monsters.



Important dates:

Fridays, Month of October: Dress in Pink or Red for Breast Cancer Awareness

Tuesday, October 8th: Music with Mr. Ben

Monday, October 14th: In House "field trip" Lasermania! Show 10-11 AM

Tuesday, October 29th: Trunk or Treat (5:45 – 7pm in ECCC parking lot)

Thursday, October 31st: Halloween dress up and party

Important information:

Please check your child's stash of extra clothing. The weather will be changing and warmer clothing will be needed. We strongly suggest a shirt, pants, underwear, and socks. Accidents happen!

CUBS' teachers ask that our Cubs do NOT bring personal toys/books into the center. In the past, we've had items lost, taken, or have gotten broken here at school. **ONE** stuffed animal is welcomed for naptime.

Thank you!

Our favorite classroom CENTERS:

Dramatic Play -- Elijah, Jovie, Cassidy, Kayleigh, Carson, Finley, Olivia

Math-- Evan

Writing-- Kolsen

Library-- Camden

Building -- Wilson





Hive News October 2024

Quick Recap:



Dear Hive parents,

Hello! It has been quite a busy first few weeks and we have been learning all about how we can prepare for our next steps! We spent a week talking about pets and the different kinds of pets that people have and most importantly, the 4 basic things that every pet needs (Food, water, a home, and love from their owner). We all also met our class pet, Mr. Barry the Bee! He joins us during circle time as we practice being intentional about sharing and listening to each other's stories. Another topic that we have covered is apples!! We identified the different kinds of apples and who Johnny Appleseed is and how he planted so many apple orchards. We made our own apple orchard in the classroom while practicing our numbers. This week's topic is seasons and what happens when summer turns to fall. We also have been learning so much from Mr. Jeff when he comes in with his PATHS lesson at 9:15 every morning!

Themes Coming Up:

First we'll tackle friendship and what that means. Then we will concentrate on fall things like pumpkins!! Next we will begin to master our letters! I will be picking a letter, and we will work on different activities to help us recognize, read, and write each letter!

Special Events:

- Music Time with Mr. Ben: October 1
- Claire's Birthday: October 9th
- Fire Prevention - October 10 (10:15-10:45, a visit by the fire truck)
- Lasermania (light show) - October 14 (10-11 Fellowship Hall)
- Trunk or Treat: October 29th from 5:45-7. "Trick or treat" from car to car.

Reminders:

- We will be having a small show and tell EVERY Friday. Each student may bring in **one** small STUFFED ANIMAL or **one** small TOY. (Please only bring something from home on Fridays.)
- Another thing that I have started is a star chart. Each day, every student gets a star chart and when I see them doing well, I reward them with a sticker. Whoever has the most stickers at the end of the day gets a big shiny star sticker. Feel free to ask them or congratulate them if you see their star chart.
- Please be sure to have your child bring their water bottle and maybe a jacket or sweater for outside as the temperature is getting a little bit cooler.

Thank you! Miss Lizzy



Kindergarten October Newsletter 2024

Reminders of things to keep in cubbie/ Bring daily:

- *An extra change of clothes (weather appropriate), including underwear!
- * A water bottle (Brought daily)
- * Rest time items such as a blanket, pillow or stuffed animal.



The following are some important upcoming dates!!

Monday, October 14th- No School Day, (Can attend ECCC)

10-11 AM Lasermania Stem Light Show)

Thursday, October 24th - ½ day at East High, (Come back Early to ECCC)

Friday, October 25th-No School Day. (Can attend ECCC) (Wear Pajamas and Watch "Nightmare Before Christmas!")

Tuesday, October 29th -Trunk or Treat 5:45-7:30 pm in ECCC parking lot. (Trick or Treat from Car to Car.)

Thursday, October 31st -Halloween Party! (More details to come)

Upcoming weekly themes:

9/30 Apples

10/6 Fire Prevention Week

10/14 Creatures of the Night

10/21 Halloween

10/28 Halloween continued



Question of the Month- What would you like to be for Halloween?

Logan- Ironman with a helmet

Henry- Pirate

Madison- A Bunny

Silas- Spiderman

Carter- Spiderman

Gracie- My Little Pony

June- Vampire

Gracelyn- Ballerina Wednesday

Violet- Pink Flower Fairy

Billy- Spider

Roary- Triceratops, Dinosaur



LITTLE RASCAL'S OCTOBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

September has come and gone! The children spent the month getting acquainted with the program, as well as, getting to know each other and the teachers! The activities offered are based on the children's interest. They seem very involved with the manipulatives such as Lego's, K'nex, Magnatiles; etc. They are also interested in board games and the art center (particularly with play dough) and playing outside! We will continue to partner with the children in helping to expand their creative play!

The bus schedule for the East High/Bear Creek bus time has changed. We take the children outside in the mornings at 8:05 instead of 7:55! The Bainbridge bus requires we take the children outside at 7:30! We will keep you updated if there are any more changes.



We asked some of the children "What character will you be for Halloween?"

Kelsey: Red from "Descendants: The Rise of Red"
Hannah: Witch
Giuliana: Thing 1
Gianna: Thing 2
Cora: Minion
Jaymin: Something creepy!
Andrew: Benny the Jet Rodriguez from Sandlot
Emerson: Pokémon
Carson: Ender Dragon from Minecraft
Finn: Jack Skeleton
Carter: DoodleBob from SpongeBob
Robbie: Stay Puft Marshmallow Man
Brooks: I'm going to be Mario and Eli is going to be Luigi!
Bryce: Knuckles from Sonic Hedgehog
Blake: Shadow from Sonic Hedgehog
Benjamin: The Grim Reaper without its hook!
Evelyn: Tauriel from "The Lord of the Rings"
Alani: Wednesday Adams from Adams Family.



Also, the children have been interested in acorns while waiting for the bus. There's a site on Pinterest that gives a tutorial on how to preserve acorns:

<https://www.dododsondesigns.com/how-to-preserve-acorns-for-fall-crafts-and-decorating/>

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- OCTOBER 14:** NO SCHOOL (ECCC OPEN)
- OCTOBER 14:** LASERMANIA (LIGHT SHOW) 10-11 AM FELLOWSHIP HALL
- OCTOBER 24:** EARLY DISMISSAL (ECCC OPEN)
- OCTOBER 25:** NO SCHOOL (ECCC OPEN)
- OCTOBER 29:** TRUNK OR TREAT (TRICK OR TREAT IN PARKING LOT ECCC) 5:45-7 PM