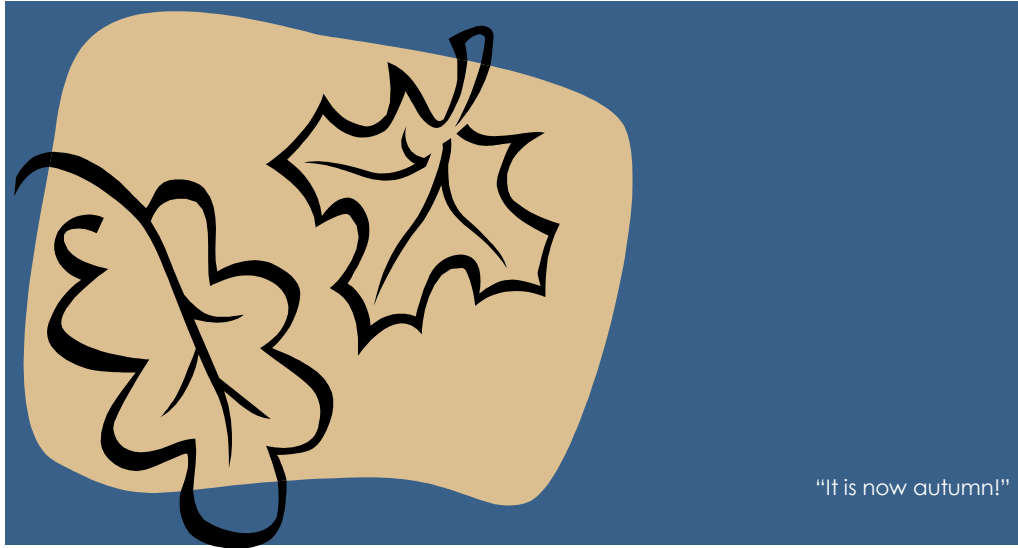


Kindergarten October Newsletter



Settling into school routines!

Kindergarten has been off to a wonderful start. The children have settled quickly into classroom routines and are learning to become more independent. They show positive attitudes towards learning and they are learning to be supportive, kind, and respectful to each other. I'm sure that this school year will be fantastic!

October Curriculum

Social Studies - All About Me Presentation and Show and Tell

At school the children are continuing to get to know each other inside and outside of the classroom! Our 'All About Me' presentations have started and they have been wonderful thus far! In November we will continue to have "All About Me" presentations. Please check the calendar on the kindergarten board to see when your child is presenting.

If your child has not presented yet, the instructions are on the September newsletter and feel free to ask me about it if you have questions! Their presentation should include an introduction: "Hello, my name is _____ and this is my All About Me poster" followed by an explanation of the writing and pictures on the poster and a closing statement, for example, "I hope you enjoyed my All About Me Presentation". **Remember to have them practice their presentation at home and encourage them to use loud clear voices!**

After the All About me presentations are finished, we will start doing one Show and Tell presentation every school day. The schedule will be the same as the All About me presentations in alphabetical order by last name. On your child's day to present show and tell, please allow them to bring in an appropriate item. Do not allow them to bring in toy guns or weapons or anything extremely valuable or breakable. (...continued on next page)

Special events in October and November

- October 17- Picture day
- October 18 – School Open House
- October 21 – Pro D Day
- October 31 – Halloween Carnival – Join us!
- November 11- Remembrance Day
- November 14 – Pro D Day
- November 30th – Report Cards are distributed – only legal guardians of the student can pick up the report cards.



I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving weekend!



Curriculum continued...

Language Arts

Kindergarten will be continuing to review their letters and letter sounds as well as practice their printing every day.

Math

This month Kindergarten will be working on understanding patterns and sorting. They will also continue to work with numbers just beyond 20.

Religion

The children will continue to discuss the theme for the year "Serve with joyful hearts" and we will also start learning about Old Testament stories from the bible! We have started learning the Our Father and Hail Mary prayers during our daily morning prayer time.

Science

Kindergarten will continue to study the seasons with a close look at the change of environment that happens in autumn. We will also start learning about our 5 senses!

Show and tell presentation format:

The student will hide their item in a bag and they will give 3 hints to the class about what the item is. For example: "My show and tell is brown, soft and very cute". The class will be given a chance to guess what the item is. Then the student will take the item out of the bag and present the item to the class. The item will be passed around and the presenter will tell the class *why this item is important to them*. For example, "My teddy bear is important to me because my mom and dad bought it for me at Disneyland." Please practice their show and tell presentations with them at home!

Reminders

Please remember to label all belongings of your child!

Homework

Continue to read with your child for 20 minutes every day! Don't forget to fill in the "Hooked on Books" chart inside your reading log!

For math practice at home have them practice writing their numbers properly and have them identify numbers in the range of 10-30! Also, test your child by asking them what sound each lowercase letter makes. Knowing lowercase letters is important because, most writing and reading is done in lowercase letters not capital letters. Thank you for taking the time to practice these skills with your child!

Halloween!

Come join us on Halloween! On Halloween day the school becomes a carnival! The children will purchase tickets to play the carnival games and the ticket sales go to charity! You, the parents, will take the children around the school to play the games! There will be a game in every classroom! I will be running the games station in the Kindergarten classroom so I will not be going around to the other games with you and the children. They can come to school in their costumes! But to avoid hardship, please do not bring toy weapons or make up that will easily smudge off. See you at the carnival!

What else can I do to help my child?

Please foster independence at home by encouraging them to clean up after themselves when they eat and encourage appropriate behavior during mass. At school, please refrain from following your child into the classroom with them in the morning. They should know by now how to hang up their own items on their hook and submit their library books and homework folders. The children get a sense of satisfaction from the trust you give them to do things by themselves. They are fully capable to do these things by themselves and by giving them space, you help to build up their confidence!

Thank you for your time and effort ensuring the success of your child!

Thank you to those who helped walk with the children during walkathon!

-Miss Montero

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Roko M.	2 Chloe N.	3 Ivan O.	4 Felicity P.	5
	7 Miguel P.	8 Dominic P.	9 Cheska R.	10 Nathan R.	11 Remembrance day No School	12
	14 Pro D No School	15 Ira S.	16 Kajini S.	17 Ethan V.	18 Emma Z.	19
	21 Show and Tell starts with Earl A.	22 Ava A.	23 Allyson A	24 Francis B.	25 Justin B.	26
	28 David B.	29 Isaiah B.	30 Franz C.	All About Me and Show and Tell Schedule.		

The Show and Tell program will continue until the end of the year.