

~Pre-K~

Wow September flew by! Our room was full of laughter, tootles, new friends, exploring new centers, and new toys. The children learned about each other through art projects, all about me bags, and small group games. One of the highlights from our letter exploration week was writing in shaving cream! The children loved the feeling of the shaving cream and had fun practicing writing their names, popcorn words, and letters. We had an amazing, busy first month in the Pre-K room! Continue to check the Shutterfly site as this is where we will post special days and pictures of our activities.

As we jump into October, we are going to keep busy with fall and spooky activities. Our focus the first three weeks is fall and the last two weeks is on spooky fun. The Pre-K room will be creating our own spooky stories and making pumpkin pie in a cup. The children will make observations and predictions when doing leaf activities, apple activities, and pumpkin activities. On October 27th, have your child wear orange. The children will trick or treat in the mall across from the school on October 31st. The afternoon of October 31st is also our annual Halloween costume parade. Please leave your child's costume on the hook when you bring them to school. We will change them into their costume when it is time.

We are heading to Folkstone Nursing Home on October 23rd for our field trip this month. We are going to create our own pumpkin creatures, play bingo, and enjoy spending time in our community.

Our room is making changes for the new month. Dramatic play will turn into an apple orchard. The sensory table will be turned into the children's own corn pit for their hands. Fall vocabulary will be incorporated into our writing area. Make sure to come into the classroom to check the parent board and lesson plans to see what we are doing in our classroom.

October's virtue is patience. We will focus on incorporating patience into our daily routine. We will discuss why patience is so important and demonstrate how to use patience when working on projects, and being with our friends.

We will continue popcorn words into October. The words will be incorporated into our learning through different small group activities and group time discussions. "Buttering" our popcorn words as we read books will continue to be a focus in our classroom. At home you can encourage your child to look for sight words in books and around your home! The following are our popcorn words for October: **and, do, what, and you.**

Love,
Your Pre-K staff