

# 279 Egg Harbor Road Sewell, New Jersey 08080 OCTOBER 2016

# Dear Chesterbrook Parents,

The month of September flew by and the school year is off to a great success. By now, everyone has settled into their new classrooms and everything is running smoothly.

October is going to be a busy month. We have a lot planned and we are super excited to celebrate one of our favorite holidays... Halloween!! Here are a few reminders for the month of October.

- Back to School Night for Toddler A through Pre-K will be held on Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:00 pm.
- The Kindergarten and the Pre-K class will be going to Creamy Acres Farm on Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. The students will each get to pick out a pumpkin of their choice. Please pack a peanut free bagged lunch for your child.
- The week of October 24<sup>th</sup>, Stacy will be away for a Principal's Conference. Any questions or concerns, please contact Thien or Adriane in Stacy's absence.
- •Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup> will be our Halloween Party and Parade. At 10:00 am all classes will have their parties in the morning and at 4:00 pm that day, each classroom will get an opportunity to show off their Halloween costume in our school parade, on your child's playground, so please send in your child's costume that morning. We encourage all parents and family members to attend to see the parade. Please look on your child's classroom door for information and a party signup sheet.
- •Please remember to sign your child in and out for <u>every dropoff and pick-up</u>. The book is located on the front desk and is labeled with each classroom name.
- •For security purposes, please do not share the code to the front door with anyone. Friends or other family members listed on your child's authorized pick up list will be required to ring our door bell.
- •Tuition is due every Friday for the following week. A mandatory \$25 fee, per our corporate office, will be charged if payment is not given by Tuesday mornings. No exceptions.
- •We have an ACH program that allows us to automatically withdrawal the tuition from your account every Monday night. If you would like to take advantage of this, please ask for the form.
- •Please be sure that your child has an extra pair of weather appropriate clothes in their cubby. Also, make sure **EVERYTHING** (including clothes) is labeled with your child's first and last name.

- •You must give us four weeks' notice in writing prior to withdrawing your child from the School. If four weeks' notice is not given, please understand that you will be held responsible for four weeks' tuition.
- •You must also give us two weeks' notice prior to changing your child's attendance schedule.
- •In the state of New Jersey it is mandatory for children between the ages of 5 months to 5 years of age to receive the Flu vaccine. If you have not already done so, please provide the proper documentation that states that your child did receive the flu vaccine by Tuesday, December 31st. Flu Clinics- 11/7 & 12/5 from 4-6pm at Gloucester County Health Department at 204 East Holly Avenue, Sewell.

We hope to see all of our families at the Halloween Parade!





#### Infants

Hello, October! This month will consist of many fun Halloween projects.
On October 31<sup>st</sup>, we will be dressing up in our costumes for our
Halloween parade. Please come join us! Also, now that colder weather
is approaching we ask that you to bring in a change of weather
appropriate clothing and encourage you to bring in a sleep sack for
your child.

#### **Toddler A**

What a wonderful start to our school year! This month we will begin our color and shape of the month. Our color will be orange and our shape will be a circle. Wednesdays will be book and sign language words day, learning a new sign language word a week. Verbal language skills will be encouraged while imitating new words and counting to three. Keep an eye out for Honeybee Book Orders and details about our Holiday Party!

#### **Toddler B**

Happy October! Our color of the month will be orange. Each month your child will receive a scholastic Book Catalog. Our classroom will earn points towards a free book for each order. Some of the LTL skills we'll be working on this month are pointing to and naming colors, referring to self by name, and using an open cup!

#### **Beginner A**

Fall is upon us so please check your child's cubby to make sure their change of clothing is weather appropriate. On Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, our Back to school night will be held from 5:30-7:00pm, we hope to see everyone there. We will be learning about fire safety this month and even have a special visitor to talk to us about fire safety. Monday, 10/31 we will be having our Halloween party and parade! Also this month, we will be increasing our counting from 1-10 to 1-15 and work on number concepts of 1 & 2. We continue to work on sharing and using our hands for helping others. We will also continue to introduce the potty and are very proud of the progress so far!

#### Beginner B

October is a busy month! We have lots to look forward to, like our parade and party at the end of the month. We also celebrate fire prevention by having a fire truck visit the school, which is great because we will also be talking about community helpers and various forms of transportation. We will also work on our matching skills using colors, shapes, or other objects. As always please check your child's cubby to be sure they have weather appropriate change of clothes.

#### **Intermediates**

The Intermediates are flying through the school year, and we have had a great start to the year. The children have all adjusted and met new friends. This month the children will work hard on recognition of their first name and letters in it. In Math we will recognize numbers and start writing 1-5. Everyday we work on social emotional and social interaction skills. This month we will celebrate many friends' birthdays, Gavin, Emily, Brody, and Matthew! We hope to see everyone at back to school night on October 4<sup>th</sup>!

#### **PreK**

The first month of School flew by! October is here and this month we will be celebrating Chase, Christian, Santino, and Tyler's Birthdays! We will also be celebrating Halloween and Columbus' Birthday. We will be learning many new things this month such as new spatial vocabulary, exploring fruits and vegetables, and discussing fire safety. Pre-K will also have a visit from the fire Dept. pn 10/14 to talk about fire safety. We will also be going to Creamy Acres Farm for our pumpkin picking on 10/18. We can't wait to watch our students grow and learn this month!

#### <u>Kindergarten</u>

I'm super excited to welcome the month of October! We will be learning about nouns, adjectives, the format of a sentence, & mastering our sight words. In math, we will continue to master our numbers 1-100 and understand greater than, less than, and equal to. We have the fire dept. visiting us on 10/14 and we will be going to Creamy Acres on 10/18. The week of 10/24-10/28 Kindergarten will be hosting a bake sale to raise money to help a family in need during the Holidays. Don't forget our Halloween Parade will be on October 31<sup>st</sup>, at 4 pm. Hope to see you there!

### **Calendar of Events**

10/4- Back to School Night for all classes excluding Kindergarten10/14- Fire Safety Visit from WT Fire Department

**10/18-** Kindergarten and Pre-K field trip to Creamy Acres Farm

**10/31**- Halloween and Our Halloween Party & Parade @ 4:00 PM

Our Halloween Parade will begin at 4:00 PM on our large playground in the back of the school. Please send your child's costume in with them that morning. Parents can start arriving at 3:30.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

11/7-11/10- Scholastic Book Fair Week
11/11- Closed for Veteran's Day (Professional Development Day for Teachers)
11/14- Picture Day
11/26- Closed- Thanksgiving

# Congratulations Teacher of the Month October 2016 Miss Estell

Miss Estell joined us from the Glassboro School and we are as lucky as ever to have her here with us. Miss Estell puts her heart and soul into cooking for all of our students each day. She also spends her afternoons in our infant room and loves spending time with our little ones just as much as she loves cooking. She loves to spend her spare time singing, and hanging out with her grandson and family. Estell is loved by all of her friends, coworkers, students and parents here at Chesterbrook. We are so lucky to have someone like her at our school. Thank you for all that you do Miss Estell!

Don't forget to visit our website for the lunch menu, special event dates, reminders and so much more...

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