



October 2019

Ms. Becker & Mrs. Maloney & Mrs. Rosenfeld

Full Day Preschool • Room 126

September was a very busy and exciting month. The children have had fun getting to know each other and starting to learn their new friends' names. We are beginning to adjust to the classroom rules and learning to share, take turns and listen well. We're also getting better with transitions and being "Super Cleaners" during clean-up time. These can be very hard tasks when you are three or four years old. Please continue to reinforce these skills at home. We have also done some work with colors, shapes, numbers and days of the week. We will continue working on these themes throughout the year. Some of the projects we've done this month are being kept by us until May for a comparison of each child's progress. These are always fun to see side-by-side!

WHAT WE WILL BE DOING THIS MONTH

October is upon us and the weather is cooling, but that will not slow our preschoolers down! Our themes this month will focus on Fall and Halloween. Our first cooking project of the year will be a delicious Apple Crisp. The sights and smells of fall will be experienced firsthand. We will observe the changing leaves and learn why they are falling down. We will also explore the ins and outs of pumpkins and even do a fun science experiment with one.... perhaps we'll even cook some pumpkin bread! The last week of October will be filled with Halloween surprises, including a **class party** on **Thursday, Oct. 31st**. Children may dress up if they'd like to. Please note that toy weapons of any kind are not allowed. Your child may also bring 16 "treats" to pass out to their friends on this day. Some ideas are candy, stickers, or whatever you feel is appropriate, although **all food must be peanut-free**. Finally, we will also enjoy a music class with Ms. Laura.

REMINDERS:

- Please practice name recognition at home as we are working on this skill at school.
- With the weather cooling down, please dress your child appropriately for outside play. Additionally, please make sure he/she can remove them easily when he/she needs to use the bathroom.
- We hope you have purchased a calendar for your child's room to support learning the days of the week, as well as a pair of Fiskar scissors to help with cutting skills. We use the term "thumbs up" to help the kids learn the proper way to hold scissors. Please practice cutting at home.

NO ENRICHMENT ON:

- **October 8th – Music with Ms. Laura**
- **October 9th – No School, Yom Kippur**
- **October 14th - No school, Dist. 39 In- service**
- **October 31st – Halloween Party**

Please let us know if any questions or concerns arise during the year.
We are looking forward to a great year with your child! Thank you for your cooperation.

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