



St. Peter's Nursery School

October Newsletter 2025

Fall has arrived! This new season brings many opportunities to experience, observe and explore our world through science, art, music, and language development activities.

The State of New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services requires all preschool children receive a flu vaccine by December 31st. Written documentation is required. If you wish to have a religious exemption, we will need a letter with the current date stating as such.

This past week the children practiced a fire drill. If you are a new family, this may have been their first experience. They all did a wonderful job!

In a separate attachment, you will receive a newsletter from our newest addition to our staff, Miss Annette Steele. Miss Annette will come once a month to teach music enrichment during our regularly scheduled class time.

Our Back to School Night/Open House will be on:

October 8th 6:00-7:00, for the Young 3, T/R 3, M-R 3.5, 4am and 4's Full Day classes.

7:00-8:00, for the MWF 3, MWF 3.5, and 4pm classes.

*At the start of the Back to School Night/Open House, we will be in the Upper Room/Gym off of the courtyard for the first 10-15 minutes and then we will disperse to the classes.

Our school picture day is scheduled for October 9th. This year we have partnered with School House Pictures. You should have received an email from them to purchase pictures. If your child does not have class on that day (MWF 3's and MWF 3.5's), the schedule of when to bring your child to school is :

MWF 3's 12:15-12:45

MWF 3.5's 12:45:1:15

All regularly scheduled classes will have photos taken during scheduled class time.

Harvest Fest is a special community building event. The children will enjoy painting pumpkins, face painting, playing games and playing on the playground while eating delicious treats from the bake sale. It will be held on October 11th from 12-1:00 and 1:30-2:30. A follow up reminder will be sent out to RSVP and volunteer.

This month you can expect fundraising opportunities such as Mabels Labels, Minted and Gertrude Hawk!

In addition to the special guest reader for birthday celebrations, we are also bringing back our cherished "Bedtime Story Night"! Bedtime Story Night has always been one of the many highlights of St. Peter's Nursery School. On this very special evening the children come back to school dressed in their pajamas, listen to stories read by parent volunteers, and even perform a few songs! Due to space in the classroom, we limit it to the parents and children. The schedule is as follows:

October 16th 6:00-6:30 Young 3, MWF 3.5, 4pm and 4AD classes.

6:35-7:05 MWF 3, and M-R 3.5 and 4am classes.

7:10-7:40 TR 3 class.

As part of this very special evening, we collect brand new pajamas and books to donate to the Pajama Program. This is optional. You can visit www.pajamaprogram.org for more information.

Our parent/teacher conferences will be here before you know it! Please mark your calendars for your child's conference day. On your child's conference day, there is no school. Teachers will be reaching out to schedule a time to meet in the upcoming weeks.

No class on Wednesday, November 12th for the following groups:

MWF-3	Mrs. Grothues & Mrs. Shaw
MWF-3.5	Mrs. Walsh & Mrs. Doyle

No class on Thursday, November 13th for the following groups:

Young 3	Mrs. Lepis & Mrs. Schott
TR-3	Mrs. Walsh & Mrs. Tretter
MTWR-3.5	Mrs. Buccino & Mrs. Houlihan
MTWR (F)-4am	Mrs. Fazio & Mrs. Michael
MTWTR (F)-4pm	Mrs. Cavallo & Mrs. Sangillo
4's Full Day	Mrs. Grasso & Mrs. Mrs. Rogers

Lastly, if you have not done so already, please follow us on Facebook and Instagram for Updates, information and some fun posts!

Key Dates

October 8	Back-to- School Night
October 9	Picture Day
October 11	Harvest Fest
October 13	Columbus Day/Indigenous People Day- School Closed
October 16	Bedtime Story Night
November 6 & 7	Teacher's Convention- School Closed
November 12 & 13	Parent Teacher Conferences-No school one day. See schedule above
November 26-28	Thanksgiving Break-School Closed