

PRESCHOOL Press

Newsletter for RockPointe Weekday Preschool



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Join us at the Scholastic Book Fair, set up in the lobby! We will have cashiers scheduled at times that are designed so you can shop without your preschooler underfoot. You can also add to classroom libraries with purchases of the teachers' Wish Books. Thanks so much for your support. 😊

Dress Up Day!



Thursday, October 29 will be Dress Up Day for the 3's and PreK classes at preschool when the students can wear costumes to school if they choose. Please do not send your child in a costume that will make it difficult for them to tend to their bathroom needs. **Parents of those students are invited to come watch our Dress Up Day Parade,** which will be held right after drop-off at 9:15! *The 18 Mos. and Two's don't need to be part of Dress Up Day, since costumes makes diapering difficult. **But** they will get to watch the parade!*

Popsicles in the Park

Friday, October 23

Rheudasil Park

2001 Forest Vista Drive, FM

9:00-10:30a

Come "chill out" and get to know your child's classmates and parents. Just a fun day to play together and make new friends!

Yee-Haw!



The week of October 13th will be Cowboy Week at preschool. **On Thursday the 15th, students will get to go on a hayride around campus and have their picture made on a real pony!** That Thursday would be a great day for your child to dress the part if he or she has jeans or other cowboy gear. It's the one day when cowboy boots will be allowed, too! *Note: Because of pony pictures, please let us know if your child has an allergy to pet dander.*

Dressing for Preschool.

Here's a reminder about footwear from our Parent Handbook: ***tennis shoes are required for participation at preschool.*** Your student will also have an assigned day to visit the Outdoor Classroom, where rain boots are advised. Three's classes



will need those boots on **Tuesdays**. 18 months, Two's and PreK will need them on **Thursdays**. Check with your child's teacher for her guidelines on when & how to send these to preschool.



Pick A Punkin

On **Tuesday, October 6th**, all the students will get to visit our own patch of pumpkins here on the RockPointe campus. The children will get to pick one to use with class projects and then take it home!

Terminology Matters!

Words are important in the life of a preschooler! As adults, when we correct a child, it's tempting to say, "You need to listen," when actually what we're wanting is for the child to follow through and obey. This month our chapel stories are all about people from the Bible who obeyed, so it's a great time for us to emphasize that terminology with the children, too. We'll be asking them to *listen* to directions and then *obey*; we encourage you to use that same terminology, too!



Dates for your Calendar
T/Th November 24 & 26
Thanksgiving Break
Thursday December 10
Christmas Program 9:15a
It's also the last day of the semester!

Fine Motor Fun!

Last month we discussed both fine and gross motor skill development in preschoolers. Both types of motor skills enable children to become more independent.

At the preschool, we're especially focused on the following tasks associated with hand strength and fine motor skills: **coloring, writing and scissoring**. These will all be very important for success as your child enters kindergarten and the elementary years. This month let's focus on activities that increase **hand strength**.

Toys that require **squishing** (like Playdoh) or **squeezing** are not only fun for your preschooler, but help develop strength in his fingers and hands. Crumpling paper into balls has the same effect; your child can go to town with your junk mail, or old magazine pages. Then have a paper "snowball" fight in your den!



Chapel Schedule

Chapel is held on Tuesdays at 9:15 in the Cabin Room. This month the children are learning that God tells us to obey, and our Bible stories will be:

Oct 6	Noah & the Flood	Gen. 6-8
13	Abraham & God's Promise	Gen. 1
20	Joseph & His Brothers	Gen. 37, 45
27	Moses & the 10 Commandments	Ex. 20

Our memory verse:

"Love God...obey His commands." I John 5:3

Music fun this month: we'll be singing "Hullabaloo" by Miss Patty Cake, available on Spotify.

Age Level News



18 Mos. & Two's Classes

Our **18 mo.** students are learning how to play with friends and share toys! Inside the classroom, they are learning to sit for a structured "circle time," which is our time to teach new skills and *putting up their own trash* after snack and lunchtime...this is a beginning step in responsibility! We'll also learn about our 5 senses in the coming weeks.

This month the **2's classes** will be learning about our senses: *smelling, tasting, seeing, hearing* and *touching*. We're thanking God for giving us our senses as a way to understand this world and the coming fall season. The children will also learn about how to take care of their bodies by eating healthy foods.

We'll all emphasize the colors **orange** and **black** and learn about *circles & squares*.

Three's Classes

This month the 3's will be learning about fall, and they'll have lots of pumpkin-related activities. We're emphasizing fine and gross motor skills, with vertical activities and lots of playdough!

The letters **U, F, E,** and **H** will be introduced, and the students will practice one-to-one correspondence with the numbers **1-3**.

And a reminder: the Three's students are responsible for their own toilet hygiene, which also includes the mechanics of pulling up and down their underwear/pants. Allow them to do this on their own at home, too, and send them to school in clothes that make that process easy for them!

Pre Kindergarten Classes

In October, the PreK students will be learning about God's fall gifts, like apples & pumpkins! **Please send 1 apple with your child on Tuesday, Oct 6. Also, we'll be tasting apple products/goods on Thursday, Oct. 8, so please send something made from apples.** The phonics emphasis this month will be on the letters **Hh, Tt, Uu** and **li**.

To prepare for kindergarten, it's important to develop fine motor skills to hold pencils correctly and use scissors. Parents can encourage students to practice cutting on scrap paper or junk mail at home. Also, our students have a treasure chest of prizes for homework, and we'd welcome donations (happy meal prizes, etc.). Thank you!!!

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