

The Honor Roll School Early Childhood Express October 2016



October 1, 2016

"If a child lives with encouragement, he learns to be confident." Dorothy Law Nolte

Dear Parents,

Fall is in the air and October promises to be a fun-filled month with our teachers busy planning hands-on activities that capture the essence of the season. The seasonal themes of fire safety, nocturnal animals, skeletal system and the five senses provide rich opportunities for our students to explore and observe the world around them.

Picture Day: Say cheese...**October 3rd is Picture Day** for individual and group pictures. All students should wear their formal uniform. **The cost of the group picture is \$11.00 and must be pre-paid.** For individual pictures, please go to the website mylifetouch.com and use the **picture day ID** to order proofs for individual pictures.

TK Parent Teacher conference: TK through 8th grade will be closed for Parent/Teacher conference on Oct. 7th. Please sign up on the Classroom door or talk to your child's teacher regarding the time for your conference. **Holiday care will be available but please RSVP to your teacher by Oct. 6th.**

TK field trip to Dewberry Farm on October 11th and 12th: Our TK students will go on their very first field trip to Dewberry Farm. Parents other than room parents interested in joining the classrooms must make one cash/credit card payment at the gate.

October 11 – TK 1, 2, 3, will visit Dewberry Farm

October 12 – TK 4 & 5 will visit Dewberry Farm

Pumpkin Decorating Contest: This is an ECP tradition that we look forward to each year. It begins with our teachers and students transforming pumpkins to awesome works of art. The contest will begin on **October 24** and judged on **Oct. 28**.

Halloween Parade: will be held on **October 31st**. The schedule is as follows:

9:30 – 10:00 a.m. – Halloween Parade. Parents are welcome to join the fun.

10:00 a.m.– 10:45 a.m. – Halloween Zumba in the dining room with Regina Amiral

11:00 a.m. – Halloween class parties

Principal's conference to Las Vegas- I will be in Las Vegas for our annual Principal's conference from Oct. 23 – 26.

Looking ahead:

25th anniversary: Do save the date for our school's 25th anniversary on Thursday, 11/17 from 9:00 a.m. Our students come from many different parts of the world so it is befitting to celebrate our 25th anniversary by celebrating our diversity. Our ECP classes will feature Asia and Australia/Oceania and we look forward to your input and suggestions regarding the countries we pick. More news will follow soon.

Pre-K and Toddler Parent/Teacher conferences will be held through **November 1 -11** at a time that works for you during that week.

October will be filled with learning and fun. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Joy Dasgupta

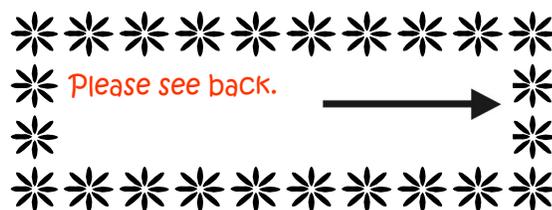
Joy Dasgupta
Early Childhood Principal



October Dates To Remember



Date	Event
October 3	Picture Day
October 7	Parent Teacher Conference Day TK-8th No School for TK-8th-Holiday Care Available
October 11	TK-1, TK-2 and TK-3 Dewberry Farm Field Trip
October 12	TK-4 and TK-5 Dewberry Farm Field Trip
October 14	Toddler 2 Bake Sale
October 21	TK-2 Bake Sale
October 28	PreK-2 Bake Sale
November 1-11	Toddler & Pre-K Parent/Teacher Conferences
December 2	Santa Pictures @ 8:30am
December 15	Toddler & Pre-K Winter Concert (Time TBA)





TK-1 would like to thank these awesome parents who made our bake sale a fantastic success!!! Thank you Rebecca and Scott Brunton, Leonie Hamersma, Joyce & Vincent Cen, Candice Peterson, Tania Draviam and Mrs. Morgan for your wonderful help with our bake sale! And thank you to the numerous parents who donated money and goodies towards our bake sale. Without you all, it wouldn't have been possible!

TK-3 would like to thank Mili Patel, Kalyani Sundararajan, Wannaporn Duhon, Ariel Zou, Katharina Huber, Habiba & Mohammed Dhanani for your incredible help with our bake sale! Thank you to all TK-3 parents who donated money or food items! Without your awesome help, this could not have been done!

Halloween Rules

Most children look forward to Halloween and going trick or treating. However, sometimes the combination of costumes, masks, unsafe accessories and candy can pose a safety hazard. We would like our families to follow safe Halloween rules that we will also discuss in class. Please follow these safety tips to make Halloween an enjoyable time for your child and you.

Halloween Rules for School!

Costumes should be comfortable and short enough to prevent tripping or entanglement.

Do not wear a mask.

Swords, daggers, guns and other weapons are not appropriate accessories to bring to school.

Wear tennis shoes, even if it does not match the outfit!

Walk, don't run.

Wait until you go home and your parents check your candy, before you eat it.

Halloween Rules for Going Trick or Treating

Visit only the houses where the lights are on.

Costumes should be comfortable, bright and reflective. It should be short enough to prevent tripping, entanglement or contact with flame. Plan on a costume that is of flame retardant material.

Carry a flashlight.

Do not touch animals you do not know.

Be sure to say thank you for your treats.

Do not wear a mask and only use non-toxic make-up.

Stay away from a lit jack-o-lantern or candles.

Stay safe and have fun!