

2019



Park's Edge Preschool

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A Letter from the Director...

Happy Birthday

Aria I.	10/02/2016
William R.	10/06/2015
Anabella S.	10/12/2011
Ira B.	10/12/2015
Benjamin E.	10/15/2015
Mckenna P.	10/16/2013
Sofia F.	10/16/2017
Eva G.	10/18/2013
Sadie H.	10/27/2016
Parker Z.	10/24/2017
Rechal P.	10/30/2015
Lydia W.	10/31/2016



Ms. Sandra	10/04/????
Ms. Ellen	10/07/????
Ms. Emily	10/17/????

October



Ms. Tori 10/27/2017



Dear Park's Edge Preschool Families:
September has been an exciting month with the kick-off of the school year. **PEP's Annual Progressive Dinner-Open House and Grandparent's Day were a success and made the last days of summer fly by. Tick tock...October is already upon us...** **Milwaukee's 2019 CROP Walk has always been celebrated this time of year. CROP is the acronym for Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty.** The annual event is an opportunity for the Park's Edge Preschool community, to help overcome hunger... one non-perishable food at a time. Park's Edge Preschool families have donated non-perishable foods to the Milwaukee Hunger Task Force in recognition of the annual Crop Walk for over a decade. This year's campaign will be labeled 'Love thy neighbor' in helping others by collecting food. Please help us fill the food drive box. Your child will bring home a brown paper bag, uniquely decorated for a non-perishable food item for the food drive with details of the 'Love thy neighbor' campaign. **Please drop the non-perishable food items in the box at the church entrance by Friday, October 11th. Thank you! Thursday October 24th and Friday, October 25th, the Whitnall School District has 'no school'. PEP has some Halloween fun planned... Thursday, October 24th, a**

fieldtrip to the Hales Corners Care Center for 'Trick or Treat' fun in the community is in the works. The Fantastic Frogs, Shining Stars and Slithering Snakes will be participating from 10-11am. Please send their labeled costume for trick or treat fun at the care center. Watch for details and a permission form in your family mailbox about this annual event. **Friday, October 25th, a Fieldtrip to the Pumpkin Patch at Lindner's Family Farm, is being planned for the children in the Fantastic Frogs, Shining Stars and Slithering Snakes.** Cost \$8.00 includes hayride, corn maze, harvest games and pumpkin. Watch your mailbox for details and permission slip. Your child will need a pillowcase for their take home pumpkin and a bag lunch. All chaperones need a current background check completed and on file. **Thursday, October 24th is Park's Edge Preschool's Family Harvest Fest from 5:30 to 7:00pm. Park's Edge Preschool's families, grandparents and siblings are welcome too. We will come together for an evening of fall fun...a costume parade, scavenger hunt and a magic show featuring Mr. Rick Allen. Chili, cornbread and brownies will be served to warm the little goblins bellies. Each family will be asked to bring a carved/ decorated pumpkin for display and non-perishable food items to donate in**

wrapping up our 'Love thy Neighbor' campaign. Food donations will be donated to the Milwaukee Hunger Task Force. Be sure to dress your child in child-friendly costumes for PEP's costume parade! Parents are encouraged to dress-up too! Please R.S.V.P. at the PEP Office front desk or call (414) 427-9561 by Wednesday, October 23rd. Thanks! **Thursday, October 31st is PEP's All-center Halloween Costume Parade held on-site, rain or shine, at 10 am. Come watch or participate in the parade. It is a great way to celebrate Halloween through the eyes of a child!** Food...wonderful food! The 'Good News Group' from Emanuel Church is showing 'Frazzled Families' love and support by serving 'Lasagna Dinner-to-go'. The whole concept behind the 'Frazzled Family Dinner' was originally started to promote family time and spiritual growth. Included in each meal is a prayer and parent/child interactive conversation card. Park's Edge Preschool Families are eligible to pick-up 'lasagna-to-go' **Wednesday, November 13th between 4-6 pm. Be sure to reserve your family dinner by Wednesday, November 6th. Did I say, 'FREE' Lasagna-Dinner-To-Go for the whole family? YES, I did!** Food is love...and blessings too, from Emanuel Church!
Sincerely,
Ellen M. Kvalheim



Love Bugs

Happy Fall time! We had a great time at our Open House and Grandparents Day events last month. Thank you to all who came.

This month, we look forward to our annual Harvest Party on Thursday, October 24th 5:30-7:00pm. Also, don't forget about our Halloween parade Thursday, October 31st at 10:00 am. Don't forget your costumes for both events!

As the season changes, so does the weather and we will still be getting outside daily.

Please make sure your child has a jacket or coat, hat, gloves, and slippers or shoes to wear every day.

If you haven't done so already, please bring a family picture in. Remember, you can send them to: Kristin@parksedgepreschool.com and she will gladly print it up for you.

As the season changes to Fall, our infants are growing and changing as well. Kurtis likes pulling himself up to standing position, Cameron is pulling himself up on everything and

everywhere he can. Declan is starting to eat more jar food, yum yum. Connor is starting to sit up with support in-between legs, Jackson likes to give the biggest smiles. Nora has found a fondness to look at herself in the mirror and smiling. Last but certainly not least our Child of the Month Layla. Layla loves to roll from back to stomach all the time, going on our daily walks makes her smile and her feet have become a favorite treat. We hope everyone has a great month of fun this October.



Ms. Nicole

Beautiful Butterflies



Welcome October and Pumpkin Spice everything!

We would like to give a special thank you to Ivy's grandma. Ivy's grandma taught us the sign (sign language) for "fish" and "airplane". Charlotte's grandma taught us her culture. Did you know that Grandpa in Greek is papa and Grandma is yia yia? Thank you for coming and helping us learn and grow.

The flower of October is Marigolds which signify beauty and versatility, how fitting for a lovely month of learning. The birthstone is opal and tourmaline. Our themes will be

Autumn Around Us All, Fire Safety, Apples Galore, Pumpkins and Scarecrows and Harvest Fest.

We can't wait for our annual Harvest Party Thursday, October 24th 5:30-7:00 pm and annual parade Thursday, October 31st @ 10:00 am. Please bring costumes for both events!

Cecelia will be our Child of the Month- Cecelia loves waving hi and bye, she came back from a summer break as if she never left, smiles all day!

Please remember to bring in weather appropriate outdoor clothing for

your child daily. They will need long pants, long shirts, jacket, socks, and shoes (hard soles for support). Also, be sure to check your child's spare clothes and make sure they are updated.

We would like each family to write down/share with the class- What is something you like with Pumpkins? Examples could be pumpkin muffins, pumpkin pie etc... Have a great Season!

Ms. Julie , Ms. Karlie & Ms. Anna

Darling Dragonflies

Hello Darling Dragonfly families. We hope the new school year is going well for all. We are having lots of fun getting to know one another and have been working on the basic skills to see how everyone is developing. We have all been working on walking down stairs and unzipping our coats and placing them in our cubbies. We love how they all attempt to say the mealtime prayer and everyone is saying "Amen" now. This was a great first month we all had together!

In October we will be working on getting our coats on along with the

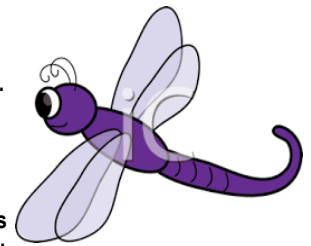
themes for the month: Autumn and the ever changing leaves, Fire Prevention, Apples & Pumpkins, and Harvest Fest fun. We are really excited to learn and grow with each of these. Speaking of Harvest Fun our center wide Harvest Party will be Thursday, Oct. 24th and our costume parade will be Thursday, Oct. 31st at 10:00am. We can't wait to see you all there.

Since the weather will be changing, please make sure to check your child's cubby for weather appropriate spare clothes. These should also be labeled with your child's name. Your child should also have a coat or

sweatshirt everyday because here in Wisconsin, you never know how the weather will be outside. Our Child of the Month is Parker.

Parker loves to play with buses, read stories and creates beautiful art. Please stop and see his board. We would like to extend Birthday wishes to Parker and Sofia. They are turning the big 2!

If you have not already, please bring in a family picture or pictures for our classroom. Remember you can e-mail them to Kristin@parksedgepreschool.com And she will gladly print them out for us. Thank you so much!



Ms. Melinda & Ms. Terri

Busy Bees



What a great start to the school year. We welcomed a new teacher to our Buzzing Bee classroom– Ms. Jessi. Be sure to stop and say hi! We also welcomed Amelia and Weston and their families to our classroom. We had a great time at our Grandparent's Day celebration. Decorating cookies was a lot of fun for all of us. October brings us new and enriching activities, we will be learning about Fire Safety,

Apples Galore, Pumpkins & Scarecrows and A Harvest Treat. We are really excited to get started. We hope to see many of you at our harvest party on Thursday, October 24th and parade on the Thursday, October 31st @ 10am. Wear your costumes and come have a blast! We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to Ms. Emily on Oct 17th. Please check cubbies to make sure there is appropriate

clothing for the colder weather. Our friends in the Busy Bees room love showing off their family to their friends. If you haven't done so, please bring in a family picture to add to our family board! You can e-mail one to Kristin@parksedgespreschool.com We hope everyone has a Spooktacular October! Ms. Emily & Ms. Jessi

Sunshine Room

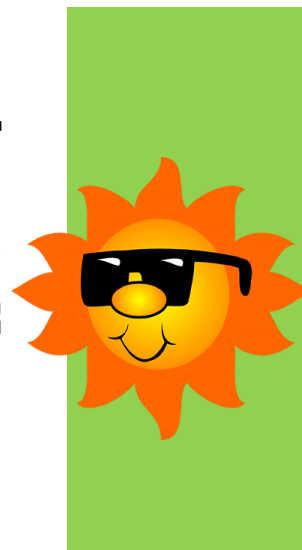
Hello October, good-bye September! Thank you to all the families that came to Open House, it was a great time. Also, thank you to all the grandparents that came to Grandparents Day. We welcome Aria and William and their families to our room. We also would like to say goodbye to our friends that moved into the Fantastic Frogs room. We know you are going to have a blast in that classroom. This month we will be learning about Autumn around us, Fire Safety, Apples Galore, Pumpkins & Scarecrows and the always entertaining Harvest Fun. We will still be going outside on the cooler days, so please bring in a jacket and label it with your child's name. Also, with the cooler weather on its way please go through your child's bin and start taking home summer clothes and bring in fall clothes labeled with your

child's name. Please bring in a blanket for your child and if your child has a special stuffed animal, they can bring it in as well. On Friday's blankets do need to go home to get washed and brought back the following week. Since we are starting off with a new month, a reminder that every Friday is 'Show-N-Tell' day, so bring in your favorite stuffed animal, toy, and/or book and we will show it to the classroom at group time on Fridays. There is two exciting dates you will want to put on your calendar and that is our awesome Harvest Fest, Thursday, October 24th from 5:30-7:00pm. Costume parade Thursday, October 31st. Costumes welcomed for both! For homework this month, we are going to send home a pumpkin and you

can decorate the pumpkin any way you want to and we will display them in the classroom. Our Children of the Month are Abigail and Scarlett. Abigail loves to play in the house-keeping area with the babies and dress up clothes. Scarlett enjoys art area and playing outside. We hope you stop and see their All About Me Posters! We are hoping to enhance our housekeeping area with some new and fresh household food containers. If you like to donate any empty boxes, we would appreciate it. We thank you in advance.

We hope everyone has a terrific start to the fall season.

Ms. Mary, Ms. Sandra,
Ms. Megan, Ms. Jessyca



Fantastic Frogs



So another month has come to an end. Let's go over what September left for us to remember. First week of September we discussed all about school and how cool it will be. Open house at PEP was a rather big deal, introducing our teachers, classes and topped off with a fine meal. What a week! "My Family, pets and all about me" was just really neat, What will we learn next? Soon you shall see. A few people came over for Grandparents Day. Grandparents just Rock! Is there something we are missing? Oh yes but, of course outside our window a whole life

cycle of frogs. Well, that's about it if we are being brief. October has a lot in store for us. The first week of the month, and recurring moments we will learn about Autumn. On Tuesday, October 22nd the Hales Corners Fire Department will come in to enlighten us about fire safety and test our knowledge. On Thursday, October 24th we will go trick or treating at Hales Corners Care Center, because a fun intergenerational activity just can't be beat! Our pumpkin farm trip to Linder's Pumpkin Farm is up next on October 25th,

did we mention we get to bowl with pumpkins while there? We will need a bag lunch for this fun filled day! We are not over yet oh no were not, Thursday, October 31st brings a clever idea a costume parade that you surely won't want to miss.

October is going to be a lot of fun and we cannot wait to start.

Thank you one and all for the wonderful pictures that have been coming in.

Wishing you all a wonderful October!

Ms. Michele, Ms. Caitlin,
Mr. James & Fantastic Frogs



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Shining Stars

Happy October! Thank you everyone for bringing in family pictures for our family book, be sure to be on the lookout for it on our bookshelf. We are hoping to continue our family book with pictures throughout the year for October. If you could send in a picture of your family costumes we would love to add them. You can email Kristin@parksedgepreschool.com if this is easier for you. This month we have reviewed our ABCs and 123s, shapes, and colors for our back to school theme. We learned about safety, rules of school, and talked about the people we love most, our friends, families and pets! Thank you so much for the families that joined us on Grandparents Day! It was so special having everyone there to help decorate cookies and take silly pictures with props!

In our class, we are very excited about the upcoming fall season! We have talked about jumping in leaves, watching the leaves change colors and dressing up for Halloween! This month We will be learning about Autumn around us, Fire Safety, Pumpkins & Scarecrows and the always fun Harvest Fest. Some fun activities we have here at PEP will be, our 2 field trips- The Linder's Pumpkin Farm and trick or treating at Hales Corners Care Center. The Harvest Festival on Thursday, October 24th 5:30-7:00pm and our Halloween Costume Parade Thursday, October 31st at 10:00am. All families are welcome to come and bring their child friendly costumes.

The children will need to bring their own lunches when we go to the pumpkin farm. Looking forward to an awesome October!

Ms. Tori and The Shining Stars

ATTENTION FAMILIES!!!

The Hales Corners Fire Department is planning a visit to Park's Edge Preschool on Tuesday, October 22nd at 9:30am. Talk to your child about fire prevention and safety procedures at home. Please practice with your child stop, drop and roll for fire safety. It is never too early to teach fire safety to preschoolers! Did you know we practice fire safety monthly by doing a fire drill and timing our evacuation for the entire center? Practice, practice, practice...your child's safety is our #1 priority at Park's Edge Preschool!

Slithering Snakes

Hello October,

Q. What did one ghost say to the other?

A. Do you believe in humans?- Aaron

Now that is a good joke to kick off our Haunted adventures. October brings a lot of exciting fall fun. We will be making ghost suckers, watercolor leaves and so much more.

The students have been doing a great job on the bus/classroom and following all directions to keep us safe and together.

We are excited to announce two fall field trip for Thursday, October 24th, and Friday, October 25th where we will be Trick or Treating at the Hales Corners Care Center and going to the Linder's Farm for pumpkins and fun. Students will need a bag lunch- Friday October 25th.

Students will need a costume on Friday, October 25th. We are really excited about this and can't wait. Please be sure to sign up for the field trip/day off of school. As a reminder please let us know

ASAP about any schedule changes. We do require a two week notice on any permanent charges.

This month we will be sending home a notecard in your son/daughter's backpack. This notecard is for our classroom joke book. Please help your child write a joke and return by October 25th. Thank you very much for your continued support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jenele &
The Slithering Snakes

October

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Important Dates:

During the Month of October- ‘Love thy neighbor’ donate nutritious, non -perishable food items to help fight hunger for CROP Hunger walk.

Wednesday, October 9th- WCCAA Director Licensing Meeting- Held at PEP

Tuesday, October 15th- WICHHSM Meeting- Held at PEP

Tuesday, October 22nd- Visit from Hales Corners Fire Department 9:30-10:30am

Thursday, October 24th- Harvest Festival 5:30-7:00pm- 1 non-perishable food item per guest.
Includes a chili dinner, fun activities and Mr. Rick Allen’s Magic Show.
All are welcome to attend and wear their costumes.
We are excited to launch Butter Braid Fundraiser Samples will be available.

Thursday October 24th- Whitnall- NO School & Field Trip to Hales Corners Senior Center
Fantastic Frogs—10:00am-11:00am
Shining Stars- 10:00am-11:00am
Slithering Snakes- 10:30am-11:30am

Friday, October 25th- Whitnall- NO School & Field Trip to Linder’s Pumpkin Farm 9:30am
Bag Lunch Needed for Fantastic Frogs, Shining Stars & Snakes

Thursday, October 31st- Costume Parade @ 10am- Families welcome to attend

A Pastor’s Note



My birthday’s approaching, and I’ve been thinking of how to approach a birthday. At my age, I don’t qualify for enrollment at Park’s Edge. Not even close. But birthdays are quite democratic: Everyone gets one per year. I (with a lot of them in the books) and each child in our Preschool, for whom birthdays are still major life events, have at least that in common.

But for our children, birthdays are not common. We recently hosted a grand-niece, and watched her count the days to her 10th birthday, asking about everything from gifts to decorations to whether there would be a Unicorn on the cake (there was). In part, she was asking: Is this important to *you*, too? Maybe our children can teach us something—not just about birthdays, but about life. For us adults, days blur into weeks, weeks into years, then decades, while we’re busy working, maintaining, shopping, commuting...until birthdays—ours or our children’s—are simply one more obligation on a crowded calendar.

There’s not much we can do about the calendar. But we can watch how our children are often fully invested in the moment, alive to what is right around them. We may have less “discretionary” time—but even a little, as brief as it may seem, can be life-giving. My wife and I worked multiple jobs and raised three children. We savored times to simply be aware of our surroundings was precious, even if only by anticipating when we could finally put down the work to read, talk, or sip our coffee in silence on the front steps.

Life, it is said, is what happens while we’re doing something else. Take a cue from your kids
Create—or seize—moments where you are truly present, in the present. You’ll be thankful.

So will your children.
Pastor Dale Strohe

NAC Nook

PEP's DOOR SECURITY ROLL-OUT

Door security is an important element in meeting higher standards of safety and quality in a child care setting. I am excited to announce our doors will soon be secure with a high-tech security system. Please watch for details coming soon on the door security roll-out, which will be implemented at Park's Edge Preschool, before the end of October. Entry access to the building will be allowed to those who have a key fob.

Families will be able to receive a key fob with a \$10 deposit on each key fob. If misplaced, you may receive another key fob with another \$10 deposit. You will receive your deposit when you return the key fob(s) upon child care disenrollment. Please bear with us as we embark on this new endeavor in keeping loved ones safe.

Thank you!

Themes w/ Christian Sub Themes

Upstairs & Downstairs Themes

9/30-10/4- The Autumn All Around Us

Psalm 126:5-6 Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy. Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 -For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.

10/07-10/11- Fire Safety and Prevention
Story of the burning bush

Keep our torch burning bright for Jesus

Exodus 24:17 -To the Israelites the glory of the LORD looked like a consuming fire on top of the mountain.

10/14-10/18- Apples Galore

Song of Solomon 2:3 - As an apple tree among the trees of the forest, so is my beloved among the young men. With great delight I sat in his shadow, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.

Psalm 17:8 - Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings.

10/21-10/25- Pumpkins, Scarecrows Oh My!

John 8:12 "When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (Jack-o-lantern light up)

Bible songs: "This Little Light of Mine"; "Shine, Jesus, Shine"
God watches over us as the scarecrows watch over the fields.

Book suggestion- The Pumpkin Patch Parable

10/28-11/01- A Harvest Sweet Treat

Candy Corn Poem- Just like the 3 colors in the candy corn I see. There are 3 persons in the Holy Trinity: God the Father, God the Son, Jesus, God the Holy Spirit. All 3 are God yet together they are one.

Psalm 34:8- Taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.

Deuteronomy 31:6- Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave.

The Scholastic logo, featuring a small book icon to the left of the word "SCHOLASTIC" in a white, sans-serif font, all set against a red rectangular background.

Thank you to everyone who ordered books for the month of September.

October's scholastic book forms will be in mailboxes the second week in October. There are a lot of Spooktacular books and Fire Safety! Be on the lookout for more information on our 2nd annual Book Fair in November! Have a safe and blessed October.

Thank You,

Ms. Sandra
Scholastic Coordinator