

2023



Park's Edge Preschool

Put a little PEP in your life!

Happy Birthday

Nolan P.	11/01/2014
Delayney L.	11/06/2020
Lucas G.	11/08/2020
Charlie B.	11/09/2018
Carter D.	11/11/2021
Molly J.	11/16/2020
Henry E.	11/28/2012

Ms. Jacinda 11/03/????



November



Happy Anniversary

Ms. Ellen	11/01/2004
Ms. Maria	11/01/2010



A Letter from the Director...

Dear Park's Edge Preschool Families,
Fall is such a wonderful time... the leaves are changing, the air is crisp, and fall activities bring joy to us all! Speaking of fun activities, our trunk-or-treat was a great success. I want to thank our families and church members who donated candy for our spooktacular event! We had a lot of fun themes for trunk-or-treat this year: Love Bugs (infant 1) – Ghosts, Beautiful Butterflies (Infant 2) – Library, Darling Dragonflies (toddlers)– Monsters Inc., Busy Bees (twos) – Legos, Sunshine (2 ½ - 3) – Animal Crackers, Fantastic Frogs (3 ½ - 4) – Shine Your Light With Jesus, Shining Stars (4) – Cops and Robbers, The Interns – Blues Clues, The Office – Scarecrows, and Emanuel Church – Oh, the Places You'll Go With Jesus! The parent and child participation in dressing up this year was AMAZING, and we saw a lot of cool costumes! Non-perishable food items were collected, and thank you to all who donated for that as well. The Shining Stars also had fun trick-or-treating at the Hales Corners Care Center and visiting the residents! We ended our fall festivities with a fun costume parade for all ages! PEP's children had so much fun showing off their spooky costumes to the spectators (parents and grandparents) gathered in Emanuel Church's sanctuary for our Halloween Costume Parade!

Fall is an exciting time, but with fall comes colder weather. Please remember to swap out children's spare clothes in their cubbies from summer to fall/winter items. Also, label all

outside clothing items needed for outside time (hats, gloves, coats, boots, jackets, and snow pants). It is common for children to have similar items and we want to ensure the right gear is going home with the right children. If you have any questions on what you should bring, please let your child's teacher know.

I am excited that we have hired new staff, and added them to our PEP family! We have Ms. Cathy who will be in our Darling Dragonflies classroom, Ms. Brooke who will be the cook, Ms. River in Love Bugs, and Ms. Taylor and Ms. Ladonne who will be starting with us very soon! We look forward to them all getting to know the children and adding great value to our wonderful program!

Hungarian Goulash, noodles, salad, apples, and dessert...what an amazing sounding meal! That is the menu for our Frazzled Family Dinner on Wednesday, November 15th. Enjoy a family dinner-to-go provided by the wonderful cooks of Emanuel Church. You must sign up by Friday, November 10th. The sign-up sheet is located at Park's Edge Preschool's front office, so sign up for a nice Hungarian Goulash and sides dinner. Conversation cards and a prayer card will be included to make this family time even more special! Life can lead to frazzled days and what better way to unwind than with a nice meal and time spent with loved ones. Treat yourself to a wonderful Frazzled Family Dinner and take some time to get unfrazzled! Remember to sign up at PEP's front desk by

November 10th.

Thursday November 16th, we have our parent-teacher conferences. Parents and teachers will come together to talk about how much the children have learned so far! They will also talk about goals they have for the children this year. We look forward to meeting with our families and talking about the most precious part of our days....the children! Sunday, November 19th, I plan to attend Emanuel Church's Worship Service to introduce myself to the congregation. I look forward to getting to know the members of Emanuel church and am delighted to lead the ministry of Park's Edge Preschool in serving the community with Christian Childcare. If you attend feel free to say, "Hello!"

Park's Edge Preschool will be closed November 23rd and 24th in observance of Thanksgiving. I am grateful for the opportunity to be a part of PEP and participate in the wonderful events this lovely Fall season! Thank you for making me feel so welcome! As a thank you, I will be passing out a breakfast-to-go on November 9th for our wonderful families!

I pray everyone has a safe, fun, and wonderful fall season!

Sincerely,
Haley Bigger
PEP Executive Director in Training



Love Bugs

Hello! What do sweet potatoes wear to bed? Yammies! Fall is here and so is the colder weather. Please make sure your child has a snowsuit and hat for our walks. We would like to extend a thank you to everyone who came to our 'Trunk or Treat'. It was so much fun seeing everyone in their costumes. This month we want to welcome Cooper and his family to our class. It seems

like we are off to a great start with the weather and the changing leaves! Some milestones our Love Bugs are working on are: Evelyn is eating our lunch, and is doing great! Cameron turned one and has been moving all around the room; big boy! Declan P is pulling himself up to a standing position. Harrison has been using

his voice to get attention. Declan A is working on rolling from stomach to back. Cassidy is eating jar food and pulling himself up. Ariya is also pulling herself up on shelves. Hazel is working on sitting up without support and is almost there. We are so thankful for our Love Bugs and we hope you all have a blessed and wonderful Thanksgiving. Ms. Terri, Ms. Octavia and Ms. River



Beautiful Butterflies



Happy November ! Quick, Quick, Quick, Quickly our Butterflies move around the classroom, and just as quickly they move through their milestones. The children say all their favorite B words; bubbles, balls, baby, and books. They also love seeing fall items like apples and mini pumpkins. A favorite class activity is painting their mini pumpkins.

While the weather is still nice we encourage you as a family to take walks with your children. When we gear up to go for our walks each day, we see a group of little hands waving at the gate with excitement to get outside. On the playground they spot airplanes cars and trucks. This month they spotted many Bluejays. As we are passing PEP's

school bus the children automatically do the hand movements and sing the wheels on the bus song, it's adorable! This month we are going to focus on being thankful for everything we have. We are thankful you share your precious child with us each day. Please tell us what your family is grateful for! Happy Thanksgiving Ms. Julie and Ms. Holli

Darling Dragonflies

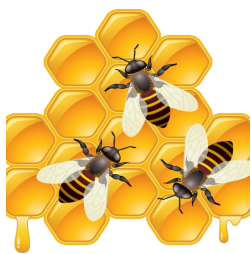
Spooky season was ghoulishly fun! The Dragonflies loved Trunk or Treating and the annual Costume Parade. Flaunting adorable costumes and getting candy. What's more fun? We went deep into the paint like Bob Ross with painting and lots of Autumn themed art projects. We are excited to introduce Ms. Cathy into our room. Our goal for the Dragonflies this November is implementing table manners alongside properly using forks and spoons. We encourage parents to

help littles with grasping, poking and spooning their food at meal times to fully develop this fine motor skill. Additionally, we are using ASL signs of "Please", "Thank You" and "More" we would be happy to teach parents upon inquiry. Our Child of the Month is Henry. Henry has a passion for plants, animals and toys that react. Activities in November we are

anticipating are Superhero Week (November 6-10) which we would be delighted to see our little heroes suited up in their favorite heroes gear throughout the week, as well as Senses All Around Us Week, where we will explore the world around us using our five senses. Lastly, we want to wish Ms. Jacinda a very Happy Birthday! (November 3) Happy Fall Y'all! -Ms. Cathy, Ms. Jacque, Ms. Jacinda,



Busy Bees



We had a Boo'tastic October, and have had a great time learning about apples and pumpkins. We created apples and pumpkins out of puffy paint and got to explore the inside of a pumpkin in our outdoor play kitchen.

Our Bee's tested out their Master Chef skills by cooking all kinds of foods in housekeeping, and on the playground for each other. It was a culinary adventure of a month!

We are excited about our November themes of superheroes,

manners, giving thanks to the Lord and our five senses. We are excited to learn about the superheroes that surround us everyday. We will get to dress up and pretend play like them this month.

We will also be working on our manners. We say "please", "thank you", and share with our friends by respecting their boundaries and taking turns. We will also be working on giving thanks by learning about what

Thanksgiving is all about. Conferences are this month. We look forward to chatting with you about your child's progress and goals for the upcoming months. Reserve your spot on a sign up sheet coming later this week.

I hope everyone has a wonderful November and a very happy Thanksgiving!

Ms.Emily and Ms.Linda

Sunshine Room

Hello Sunshine Families!

October flew by but we are excited to welcome November and all of the fun activities we will continue in our classroom! As a whole, we plan to continue letter, shape and number recognition. Our Sunshine's have shown huge improvement over the last month with their letter recognition by recognizing the first letter of their name as well as their peers' names! We participated in several fall activities this last month, but our favorite was our Apple Taste Test. We tasted Granny Smith, Red Delicious, Golden Delicious and Honeycrisp apples. The children described the different apples they were tasting as well as their thoughts on the appearance of the apples. A few comments that we observed include: "I think

it's really sour!", "It's different because it's red and yellow!" and "It's so yummy!" At the end of the taste test, we asked the children what their favorite apple out of the 4 was. We then had a delicious apple and caramel snack later that day with all of our leftover apples. We also had fun with our Scarecrow Adventure week! Ask your child what a scarecrow does and why they scare the birds away. Bonus points if they mention anything about a "noisy hat", that means they were paying very close attention during group time. :)

November brings more exciting activities! One week we are looking forward to is our "Manners Matter" week. We have been working on manners with Our Sunshines by being safe, kind, and gentle. This includes manners at the table for mealtimes,

sharing with our friends, making safe choices inside and outside of the classroom, and using gentle hands. We are also looking forward to our Thanksgiving week to talk about who and what we are thankful for in our lives.

As you might have noticed, we recently began sending activities to do with your child at home. These activities relate to the weekly theme, so it has been fun to see your child's creations and being able to implement them in our classroom! If you have any other ideas for take-home activities to complete with your child, please don't hesitate to let us know. We really appreciate the participation with these activities!

We look forward to what November brings for Our Sunshines! Miss Mariah, Miss Kasey



Happy November! We are excited for this month because it's the season of giving thanks. Although we give thanks to God everyday for all His blessings, we are looking forward to celebrating Thanksgiving with our families.

October was a great month for harvest celebrations. Thank you to everyone who came out for our annual "Trunk or treat". We enjoyed seeing the children wear their costumes and marching in the parade. One of the highlights for this past month was our apple tasting. We tried 8 different varieties of apples. We learned that there are about 7,500 different kinds of apples. We also learned that bees are great helpers in the apple orchard. They carry flower pollen from one tree to another, making

more flowers bloom, which allows more apples to grow. We created a chart and display of learning board (DOL) with pictures of the children to highlight our apple tasting experience. Please take a moment to stop in our room to view the chart and board. Thank you to all the families who brought in an apple to share.

We are looking forward to the month of November. Our themes include: "Superheroes are real", "Manners matter", "Giving thanks to God", and "Exploring our five senses". During the week of manners Ms Jenni will be reading the "Hello Genius, Best behaviors" books. The children love when she reads these books. They are funny books that help promote manners,

self-control, empathy, patience, and self-care. We will explore all five of our senses this month. The children will get to taste a variety of flavors such as sour, sweet, and not too spicy foods. There are many benefits of learning through our five senses such as supporting brain development, enhancing memory, problem solving, and the development of fine motor skills. These are skills we have been working on with the children. You can reinforce these skills at home by having your children practice cutting and writing.

Please remember to check your child's folders for artwork to take home. Hope everyone has a blessed month

Ms. sandra, Ms. Jenni

Fantastic Frogs



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Shining Stars

October is gone, and what a month!

We had tons of fun learning the differences between real and pretend. Our Stars are very good at using their imaginations to create stories. We also have been working on telling real stories during show and tell time. Some other things we have been working on are holding our pencils/markers with a finger grip and not a fist, along with adding details to our pictures.

In October we did a lot of different cooking activities, which I even learned new tricks on. My favorite activity was opening up the different squashes and pumpkins. We saw the differences and similarities to them, then we got to cook and taste them. There were a lot of fun faces and interesting comments about the love or hatred of squash. Many gave a thumbs up, there were a few thumbs down. All and all, we were happy that all tried the different squashes and gave their input. I suggest you try acorn squash with your little ones, they can help make it with you.

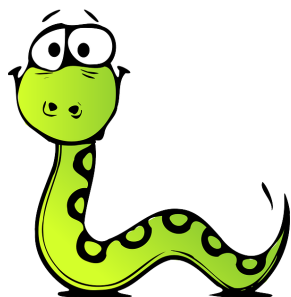
All you need is maple syrup and, or brown sugar, butter and salt. Your children will tell you which one they liked better; maple syrup or brown sugar, each one is different.

November is a great month to talk about being grateful and good manners. Our class will be focusing on our manners and being kind to one another along with naming something we are grateful for, once a day. What I do at dinner time with my family is say a prayer and go around the table saying one thing we are grateful for and the best part of the day. It gives us things to talk about and connect with each other.

We wish you all a happy and blessed Thanksgiving!

Ms.Melinda and Ms.Maria

Slithering Snakes



"What do you get if you cross a turkey with a ghost?" "A poultry-geist."

Hello, and a very happy November to you all. We have a great deal of things to appreciate this month, most of all you, our families.

We hope You had a thoroughly thrilling Halloween season, and ended your month bloated and jittery from an abundance of candy. October provided us many opportunities to discover the bounties of the harvest, a trend which we will continue into November. We look forward to baking some home made fruit pies with Ms. Maria when the children are here over break, and will use that time to explore how fruit is grown and harvested.

We truly enjoyed having some children spend their day here on an off day from school, and took the chance to spruce up our room with a wide variety of art projects. We crafted ghosts and ghouls to grace our walls, and adorned our room with all mother nature has to offer. If you have a moment please stop and look for your child's art on our wall, as they flexed their creative muscles to make some truly special things.

We have been hearing non stop about how excited everyone is for the holidays, and all the special families they will be blessed to see over their break. Lastly, if anyone is reading any particularly interesting or exciting books at home, we would love to hear about them! We are always on the lookout for amazing books to share, and would be delighted to hear about both what is being read at home, and what your reading habits are.

We hope you have a blessed and bountiful Thanksgiving season, and are grateful you took the time to read this.

Best Wishes,
Mr. Cody and Ms. Maria

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Important Dates:

Wednesday, November 8th – Lifetouch Picture Day—Check Mailbox for more details. Just in time for the Holidays!

Saturday, November 11th– Emanuel Church Silent Auction—Watch for Details

Wednesday, November 15th– Frazzled Family Dinner—Sign Up at the Desk

Thursday, November 16th– Conference Night 5pm-7pm— Sign up in your child's classroom

November 20th-22nd– No School Whitnall School District—Sign Up Today

November 23rd-24th– Park's Edge Preschool Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday– Regular Tuition Applies

Thursday, December 7th– Christmas Party with Special Guest—Santa– Details to Follow

December 11th-15th—Santa's Workshop—Children will be able to purchase gifts for their family at our new to you Santa Shop—3 for \$6.00.

Thursday, December 14th— Jesus' Birthday Celebration 4-5pm

December 25th-26th— PEP CLOSED for the Christmas Holiday. Regular tuition charges apply

Monday, January 1st— PEP CLOSED for the New Year's Day Holiday– Regular Tuition Applies

A Pastor's Note



Dear God, Splendid are your works. The leaves are changing, the month of gratitude is here, thank you. As we gather for thanksgiving, bless our dinners with our family and friends. Nourish our bodies with delicious food, and renew our souls from the gift of conversation we will have. Remind us to say thanks to the chefs in our kitchens, and to say a special prayer of thanks for all the migrant workers who also made our meal possible.

In your Holy name we pray, Amen.

Thank you,

Pastor Josh Simon

NAC NOOK

Friday October 27th was the anniversary of PEP's NAC Accreditation Certificate, awarded to PEP on October 27, 2020, by the Association for Early Learning Leaders, the governing board of the National Accreditation Commission for early childhood programs. Parent and teacher surveys have been collected. We want to thank you for your input and support of our wonderful program at PEP. I have submitted our request for a validation visit, which I believe should happen in Spring of 2024. I am currently conducting classroom observations and meetings with individual staff to answer any questions in verifying PEP is meeting all the required standards. I am proud of our teachers and all the work they do every day to ensure we are committed to the NAC standards and YoungStar, 5-star high-quality rated standards. I know we will have an amazing validation visit to retain and continue NAC Accreditation at Park's Edge Preschool.



Themes w/ Christian Sub Themes

 SCHOLASTIC

Upstairs & Downstairs Themes:

10/30-11/3 Having a Spooky Good Time
-2 Timothy 1:7 For God gave us a spirit and not of fear but of power and love and self-control

11/6-11/10 Superheroes are real, and they are everywhere
-Philippians 1:6 And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ

11/13-11/17: Manners Matter
The Golden Rule: Treat others the way you want to be treated
Beatitude Rules (Be kind, Be thoughtful, Be Gentle, etc.)

11/20-11/24: Thanksgiving/Giving Thanks to Our Lord
-Always remain thankful and grateful for everything
-Give praise to God.

11/27-12/1: Senses all around us
Romans 11:29 "For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable."

Thank you to everyone who ordered books in the month of October. We are excited about all the new books we will be ordering for the P.E.P library. Remember that books make great stocking stuffers. November books ordered will arrive in time for Christmas! New flyers will be in mailboxes the 1st week in November. You can also place your order online. Go to [Scholastic.com](https://www.scholastic.com) and search for Park's Edge Preschool. When you find our school please look for "Ms.Sandra" to place your order under. Orders are due by November 16th.

Ms. Sandra
Scholastic Coordinator

