



# OCTOBER 2011 NEWSLETTER

## Room #104 - Mrs. Jordan

Dear parents,

September sure has flown by, it is hard to believe it is already October and the cold weather is almost upon us. Be sure to dress your child appropriately for the changeable weather. I hope your child has told you about the fun things we have been doing, games we have played, sign language they have learned. The children are doing a great job of saying good bye at the classroom door and doing their jobs alone or with my help.

### Themes:

- Apples, Color exploration & Pumpkin days.

### Calendar dates:

Oct. 5<sup>h</sup> -Wednesday  
Show & Tell

Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>  
Woodworking

Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> - Thursday  
MEA School closed

Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> - Thursday  
Picture Day

Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> - Tuesday  
Pumpkin Patch

Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> -Thursday  
Halloween Program

### Apple Orchard

We had fun riding the bus and on a wagon through the apple orchard, picking an apple, having a snack and seeing the animals to name a few. We thank the parents who were our chaperones, Chris (Trygve's dad), John (JP's dad), Suzanne (Willia's mom), Deb (Seth's mom), Kamie (Reese's mom) & Ellen (Henry's mom).

### Show & Tell / Sharing Day

Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> will be our first show & tell day. Please help your child decide on one thing to bring. The children will take turns telling us about the object that they brought, if there is time we will play with them. To help avoid lost treasures, please leave them at home except on show & tell days. Show & tell is once a month, usually on the 1st Wednesday of the month. This month's theme is kid's choice.

### Woodworking

Our class will be doing woodworking on Tuesday Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>. Parents who volunteer need no previous experience. Woodworking is set up in the hall and the volunteer can choose from helping gluing, nailing, sawing, or sanding. The children just love to work with wood no matter what they make. This activity is only available when we have a parent volunteer, so sign up now.

### Pumpkin Patch - Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>

We will get a chance to dig through straw to find a pumpkin to take home. This activity happens on the playground during our large muscle room time. If you would like to help out let me know. Thanks.

### Social Skill

We are working on what we should do if a teacher or adult calls our name. We discussed how we "Stop, Look & Listen" when we hear our name.

## Chester

We are ready to start making our book about Chester's adventures. Chester is our raccoon puppet that came to your house for home visits, he would like to have a sleepover at your house. Please sign up for a weekend that Chester can stay with you, have fun and take him with you on any adventures you may go on, then have your child draw or take a picture of them with Chester. I will give you a page that you can put your picture on and then tell a little about what Chester did with your family. Have fun.

## Halloween Program - Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>

Your child may wear a costume to school that day. I encourage you to help your child select a costume that is non-violent and will not frighten the other children. The program will be at 10:30 for the a.m. class and 2:00 for the p.m. class. The children will take turns, by class, showing off their costumes and singing a couple of songs or finger plays. The program ends with all the classes singing a few songs together. Please wait for all the classes to exit the sanctuary and pick up your child in the classroom after the program. Thanks and have a safe and fun Halloween.

## Happy Birthday

Noah on October 19<sup>th</sup>

We will be celebrating each child's birthday as close as we can to their day (or  $\frac{1}{2}$  birthday, if their birthday is in the summer). Your child may bring a special birthday treat for snack that day. Many parents like to come on that day to have snack with the class and read a story of your child's choosing before we go outside. Please let me know if you would like to come. Thanks.

## Snacks

Thank you all for bringing nutritious snacks. Please stay away from bringing anything with any kind of nuts and snacks made with eggs. Thanks.

## Questions?

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,  
Mrs. Jordan

**Happy**   
**Halloween**