



Colts Neck Reformed Church Nursery School Newsletter

From The Director's Desk

Skills such as taking turns, playing make believe, and kicking a ball are called developmental milestones. Developmental milestones are things most children can do by a certain age. Children reach milestones in how they play, learn, speak, behave and move (like jumping, running, or balancing). Because of our toddlers growing desire to be independent, we sometimes refer to this stage as the "terrible twos." However, this can be an exciting time for parents and toddlers. Toddlers will experience huge thinking, learning, social and emotional changes that will help them to explore their new world and make sense of it. During this stage, toddlers should be able to follow 2 or 3 step directions, sort objects by shape and color, imitate the actions of adults and friends and express a wide range of emotions. Our school provides toddlers with a playgroup experience to create opportunities that will enhance these developmental milestones. Mrs. Willis, our playgroup teacher along with Mrs. Piotrowski, Mrs. Applegate & Mrs. Clarke provides activities for our toddlers to grow, explore and reach those developmental milestones. This month we also began a specialized playgroup lunch bunch to help promote multiple developmental milestones. Please help me welcome our youngest members to the Colts Neck Reformed Church Nursery School Family.

Enjoying The Season

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Important Dates

10/23 3's & 4's trip to
Cheesquake farms

10/25 Spooky Science Night

5:30-7:00

10/30 3's & 4's Halloween
Parties

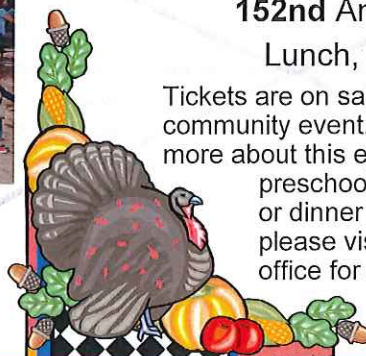
11/5-11/9 school closed



The Colts Neck Reformed Church's
152nd Annual Election Day

Lunch, Dinner & Bazaar

Tickets are on sale now for this time honored community event. If you would like to know more about this event or put together a preschool table to come have lunch or dinner with your preschool friends please visit Mrs. S. Savage in the office for all the details.



News from Mrs. Mazzucca's 4 year old Classroom

The letter B was our focus this week. First was our beautiful babies! We guessed baby pictures of our classmates and took a poll who had babies at home. A fun science experiment to go along with babies was seeing how many cups of water a diaper would hold. 4 was our magic number! Students got in a lot of cutting practice while making collages for our baby books & cutting out bats. One of the facts we learned was how bats use echo location to hunt insects in the dark. We played a game where students were blindfolded & had to try to find the echoes of their classmates. Students practiced the concept of small, medium and large after reading The Three Bears. We also began writing the letter B and practiced the sound it makes. Geography students began their journey learning about our neighbor to the north, Canada!

We're looking for pine cones & empty paper towel rolls. If you have some, please send in! Also if you haven't don't so be sure to check our Halloween party sign up list by the door.

News From Mrs. Tucker's 3 Year Old Classroom

We enjoyed our first day of music with Mrs Brown, learning some Halloween songs to prepare for our Halloween parade. The seeds that we saved from the applesauce apples last week were prepared for germinating-the best part of that being using the spray bottle to moisten the seeds. I hope some of you will stick out the process and plant seeds. We all know apples come in three colors and we rolled dice to see how many cereal pieces of each color would go on three trees. This allowed counting practice and pincher gripping. Our last apple activity is making "apple pizzas" with slices of apples and yogurt and toppings.



News from Mrs. Willis' Playgroup

~~This week we learned about pumpkins. We read stories about pumpkins and how they grow. We made jack-o-lanterns using paper bags, orange paint, and cut out faces. The children also enjoyed picking out their own real pumpkin in our pretend pumpkin patch and decorating it! A special thank you to Mikayla's family for providing us with the pumpkins. It is greatly appreciated. Our song this week was "Five Little Jack-O-Lanterns". The children learned motions to go with the song in our music class from Mrs. Goetke and also got a set of five Jack-o-lanterns to explore while singing. We used them to count them out as we sang by pointing to each one. We also practiced rolling like pumpkins!~~

News from Mrs. Scher's Transitional Kindergarten

This week we focused on the fall season, Christopher Columbus, and the letter Ee. In Literacy we took a ride on the elevator, read the story "Elevator Magic", read our Ee book, made an elephant puppet, read a poem about Ed the elephant, and sang a silly song about an elephant while learning the sound for Ee. While focusing on the fall season we discussed the changes we see around us, collected and observed different leaves, and learned about different items that come from trees including leaves, acorns, and berries. We made leaf prints, fall trees, and completed a squirrel craft. In math we sorted objects by colors and focused on the concept of before and after. In handwriting we practiced writing capital E and D as well as the number 2. In geography we continued to learn about the Earth, the continents, our country, and our state. In Science we created leaf rubbings and conducted a floating and sinking experiment while learning about Columbus and his three ships.

The Colts Neck Reformed Church Nursery School

Invites you to

Spooky Science Night

Thursday October 25th 5:30-7:00 PM

Creepity, creepity, oh what a fright!
Discovering things that go BUMP in the night
Eekity, squeakity, oh such a lark!
Investigating things that fly in the dark.
Jack O'Lantern, trick or treat
Make a hypothesis, won't that be neat!
Ghosts and ghoules in the air Stay inside,
Our young scientists are in for a wild ride.
Eepity, creepity, oh what a scare!
Constantly wondering what else is there?
Eekity, squeakity, turn on the light,
Science is fun on the eve of Halloween night!

Join us for some hands on science fun with a spooky twist!

Please R.S.V.P. with the number of adults and children attending.

Children ages 2-8 welcome

All questions can be directed to:

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