

# OCTOBER



Mrs. Costa (Teacher)

Mrs. Vaghini (Paraprofessional)

# Important Dates

Oct 2: NO SCHOOL - Staff PD Day

Oct 4: Jubilee Festival of Hope - St. Martha Church

Oct 13: NO SCHOOL- Columbus Day

Oct 15: Charleston Wrap Fundraiser Ends

Oct 17: Pie & Cookie Dough Fundraiser Ends

Oct 27: Picture Day

Oct 31: Happy Harvest Day - Wear Orange

NO COSTUMES

Sneakers are still required

# Important Reminders

If you have not sent in a family photo please do so. We are hanging them in our classroom.

Please label all of your child's belongings.

When packing for snack and lunch, please remember to pack utensils and napkins. Also, candy is not allowed at school.

Please help your child with their self help skills. Allow them to dress themselves. Send them to school with sneakers they can put on by themselves. Fall is here so please let you child practice putting on jackets and sweatshirts. As always, we are here to help, but it helps if they know how to do it themselves.

If your child will be out please call and let us know. Call Leesa Wallburg in the school office or send her an email to report an absence.



# **Happy Fall Room 3 Families!**

We are ready to start October in Room 3. The students are beginning to make friends, know our classroom routine, say the Pledge of Allegiance, and our daily prayers!

Mrs. Vaghini and I have seen so much growth from where we started on day one. In just one month, everyone is getting use to the routines and play stations. We are learning new songs. I'm sure you have heard about the lady bug song. We are so excited for October. Leaves, pumpkins and all that fall brings.

#### \*\*PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD'S GREEN FOLDER DAILY\*\*

Every day your child should come to school with their green folder and each night an adult at home should be checking it. The front pocket is where forms that need to be returned to school (fundraising forms, picture forms, permission slips, etc) will be located. The clear pages have our newsletter and a page for the children to practice their name on. A dry eraser works great on the plastic sleeve or you may make copies.

The best way that you can reach me is through my email at BCosta@sbsenfield.org. You can also call the school at 860-745-6135, where Leesa will forward any messages to me.

#### This month in our classroom

In October we will be discussing COMMUNITY HELPERS (teachers, mail carriers, police officers, firefighters, bus drivers, etc., etc.). At the end of October we will have a visit from Enfield firefighters as part of our fire prevention program. We have practiced fire drills and talked about the importance of staying calm and following directions.

#### **Pledge and Prayers**

We have been practicing The Pledge of Allegiance and The Lord's Prayer, Our Father, each morning in our classroom. We also say Grace before snack and lunch. The children have been doing AMAZING with these!

#### **Christmas Songs**

Yes, you read that right! We will begin practicing songs we need to know for our Christmas Show that will be here before we know it!

#### **Alphabet**

We have been working on the letter A and will continue with B, C and D this month.

#### **Numbers**

We will begin working on numbers this month. Each morning we count the days we have been in school, how many days until someone's birthday, how many days until the weekend, etc. But this month we will start learning how to write the numbers.

## **Shapes**

We will begin discussing basic shapes, starting with a circle. What are some things that are circles and how to draw one. I encourage you to point out circle shaped objects with your child.

#### Senses

We will continue to discuss our 5 senses.

## **Important Reminder**

Please help us by cutting grapes and cherry tomatoes that are sent in for snack. We don't want anyone choking so this extra step at home will help us be cautious while at school.

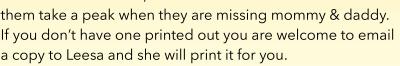
NO CANDY is allowed at snack or lunch. With Halloween right around the corner I wanted to make sure everybody is aware of this rule.

Please start helping your child become independent with putting on and zipping their jackets. We will work on a trick to help them with this. You lay your jacket down, stand at the hood end, put your arms through the sleeves and flip it over your head.

Children should also be working on putting on their own shoes.
Velcro sneakers are best.

We realize it is sometimes easier to speed this up by doing it for them but, here at school, they are doing it themselves or working towards that so practice at home will help lead to success at school.

We are still waiting for a few family photos. If you haven't already done so, please send one in for our families bulletin board. The children love to show off their families to each other, and some of





Gym class starts on October 1st and will be every Wednesday thereafter - Sneakers are a must everyday!

Food Drive - Nov 3-12

Family Feather Project-Coming Home Nov 3rd

Please read the SBS Express that is emailed each Thursday for upcoming events and reminders!