

October News

Mrs. Bissonnette's Preschool Class



Monthly Themes



We will begin this month by learning about Fire Safety and the qualities of firefighters (bravery, teamwork). We will transform our dramatic play area into our very own "Preschool Fire Station. Practice a fire drill/escape plan at your home and make sure to check that your smoke detectors are working. The Fairhaven Fire Department will be visiting the preschool during this month (date to be announced). We will also be learning about the Fall Season: changing leaves, pumpkins and what we do to prepare for the changes in weather. Throughout the month we will be exploring "Feelings" and ways of expressing them. As we know, throughout each day, children experience many feelings, ranging from happiness to sadness. The purpose of this theme is to have children develop an understanding of feelings. We will read stories, sing songs and share experiences of the many, many emotions that we all share. Talking with your child about your feelings will encourage parent-child communication. Tell your child how things make you feel and ask your child to share some feelings.

<u>Dates to Remember</u>	<u>Skills This Month</u>
Oct. 5 PTO Meeting @ 3:30	<u>Color:</u> orange
Oct. 7 No School (Professional Development for teachers)	<u>Math Concepts:</u> little, medium and big and graphing by size
Oct. 10 No School (Columbus Day)	<u>Letters/Phonemic Awareness:</u> This month we will be listening to stories and making letter puppets for Dd (Ditto Dog), Oo (Oh, Oh Octopus) and Gg (Goofy Ghost). We will focus on letter sounds, identifying uppercase and lowercase letters and practice printing the letters. We will continue our introduction to LIVELY LETTERS. The main focus will be phonemic awareness and sound associations. We will use sounds, brief stories and hand cues to link the oral kinesthetic cues (mouth movements) with the letter shapes and sounds. Letter sounds we will focus on this month: f/v, k/g, o, qu
Oct. 12 Gym Day (please wear sneakers) Scholastic Book Orders Due	<u>Language:</u> following 2 step verbal directions
Oct. 18 Orange Paint Day (wear orange)	<u>Peace Builders:</u> This month we will focus on how Peace Builders praise others. We will recognize the positive actions of others and use the language "I praise (child's name) for....".
Oct. 20 No Afternoon Preschool (Professional Development for teachers)	
Oct. 21 Gym Day (please wear sneakers)	
Oct. 27 Monster Fun Day (No costumes)	

OCTOBER/FALL SONGS



"Way Up High"



Way up high, in the apple tree,

2 red apples smiled at me.

I shook that tree as hard as I could,

Down came the apples.

Mmmm, they were good!

"ORANGE"

(Sung to the tune of "This Old Man")

O-r-a-n-g-e

Orange is the color of things I see...

Like a great big pumpkin,

Plump as it can be.

O-r-a-n-g-e

This orange shirt looks bright on me.

Orange is not just a color but a fruit from a tree!

O-r-a-n-g-e



"HAVE YOU EVER SEEN A PUMPKIN?"



Have you ever seen a pumpkin, a pumpkin, a pumpkin,

Have you ever seen a pumpkin, with no face at all?

With no eyes, and no nose and no mouth and no teeth.

Have you ever seen a pumpkin with no face at all?

So I made a jack-o-lantern, jack-o-lantern, jack-o-lantern,

So I made a jack-o-lantern with a big funny face.

With two eyes, and 1 nose and 1 mouth and some teeth.

So I made a jack-o-lantern with a big funny face.

"IN THE FALL"

(Sung to the tune of "BINGO")

In the fall it's time to pick,

Apples from the tree.

a-p-p-l-e

a-p-p-l-e

a-p-p-l-e

Pick apples from the tree!



