



October 2018 Newsletter

The rainbow is the sign of His promise to be with us always. Genesis 9:17

Fall is here and with the changing of the seasons comes many wonderful adventures at Christ Memorial Christian Preschool. We will be taking advantage of the cooler weather and lovely autumnal colors with nature walks, pumpkin hunts and field trips. During fire safety week we will learn all about firefighters, our local fire station will also be visiting our 3 & 5 day classes. Our 2 day classes will have the opportunity to explore our beautiful church grounds on a fall nature hunt. We will end the month with costume parades for all classes. Thank you for helping your children transition into preschool so well. It has been a great start and we look forward to another fabulous month!

PRESCHOOL T-SHIRTS

All our new preschool children received a preschool t-shirt this past week. If you are a returning preschooler and misplaced your shirt from last year or need a larger size please see Mrs. Gallagher. A new shirt can be purchased for \$5.



Parent Teacher Conferences

Our first parent teacher conferences are right around the corner. The goal of these conferences is to provide an opportunity for you to share about your child with us.

2-Day Classes - Thursday, October 11th

3 & 5-Day Classes - Friday, October 12th

We are using Sign Up Genius to sign up for conferences this year. You will receive an email on Monday, October 1st to sign up for your child's conference. If you have any questions or scheduling conflicts please see your child's teacher.

It is important for your child to not be present for the conference. Therefore, please arrange for your child(ren) to remain home or you can help each other watch your children during conferences in our church nursery. There will not be preschool staff in the nursery you will need to coordinate with other parents.

FIELD TRIPS WILL BE STARTING SOON!

Our 3 and 5 day classes will be taking their first field trip on October 24th to Triadelphia Lake View Farm. Our 2 day classes will wait until January to take their first field trip as they are still adjusting to the school environment.

Below are some policies for our field trips:

- * Permission slips and field trip money need to be returned to the parent mailbox the next school day after you receive notice of the trip.
 - * We love having as many parents attend field trip with us as possible. If you would like to chaperone please note so on the permission slip.
 - * We need all drivers to provide us with a copy of their driver's license and auto insurance card, even if you are only driving your own child. We can make copies at school.
 - * The field trips are for students only.
- Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate siblings.



Tuition Payment for October

Please remember your October tuition payment is due by October 10th. If you completed an automatic withdraw banking form or automatic credit card form your payments will begin October 2nd. If you want to pay via credit card please stop by Mrs. Gallagher's office between October 1st and October 10th to make your payment. If you will be paying by check, please put your payment in the parent mailbox.



Costume Parade

Our annual costume parade is a fun day for everyone. The children love having a second opportunity to show off their wonderful costumes. If weather permits, the children will parade out the side door and around a parade route of cones at 11:30 am. All parade viewers are asked to stand around the outside of the cones. The children should bring their costume in a bag labeled with their name. If you prefer for your child not to participate you can arrange for an early pickup at 11:20 am that day.

Grace Community Church Request:

Grace Community Church in Fulton, MD is looking for additional team members for Christian programming for children (ages infant through Pre-K) on Tuesday mornings (9:00 am - 11:30 am), September 25-May 14. Pay is up to \$12 per hour, and homeschool teens are eligible, as well as adults. If you are interested in this part-time paid opportunity, please contact Lorraine Clemmer: gkwoven@gcconline.org ASAP to schedule an interview and background check.

Facebook: Each month you will find a Facebook update with pictures of what the preschool children have been up to at school. If you haven't already liked our Facebook page this is one way to be aware of the fun adventures your child is having at school. While you are on our Facebook page feel free to complete a review of the school so others can hear about your experience at Christ Memorial Christian Preschool.

Snack Reminders:

Your October Snack calendar came home this week. Please remember to send in the supply item listed for your child's classroom on snack day. Below are some of the suggested snack items. It is helpful to send in 2 of these items on your child's snack day to give every child a choice for snack time. Any questions please feel free to ask Mrs. Gallagher.



SNACK IDEAS:

FRUIT

Apples
Bananas
Grapes
Pears
Oranges
Peaches
Berries
Raisins
Dried fruit
Applesauce

CRACKERS

Cheese-its
Grahams
Teddy grahams
Goldfish-whole grain
Snack mixes
Crackers (wheat thins, triscuits or other whole grain crackers)
Pita Chips

CHEESE

Chunks
String
Sliced

VEGETABLES

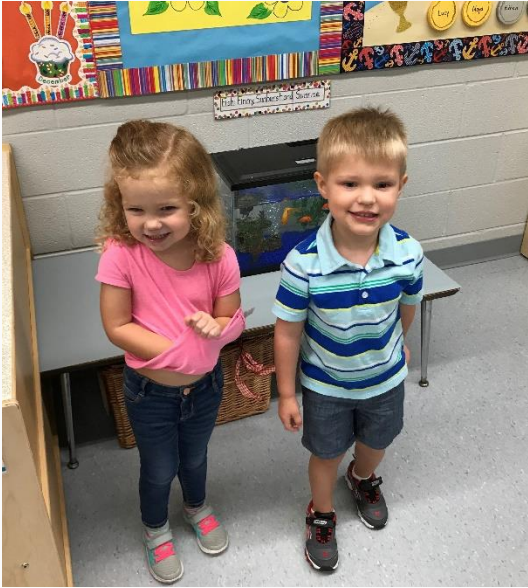
Baby Carrots
Cucumbers, sliced
Cherry Tomatoes
Sweet Peppers

MISC

Pudding Cups
Popcorn
100 % Fruit Roll-Ups
Yogurt Tubes
Dry Cereal Mixes

DRINKS

100% Fruit Juice
Low Fat Milk
Water



Show & Tell

For the remainder of the year show and tell will be held once a week. The children will be asked to bring in something that relates to the weekly theme. See below for dates and what to bring:

October 4th & 5th - Something God created

October 17th & 18th - Something you can smell, touch or taste in the Fall.

October 25th & 26th - A Pumpkin

October 30th & 31st - Your Halloween Costume for our Parade! Please note that teachers will help the children put their costume over the clothes they wear to school on this day.

* Please Note: The 5 day class will only have show & tell the date that is listed on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday.

Weekly Units

During October the children will continue to learn more about the world around them. They will explore autumn using their 5 senses. There are lessons specific to fire prevention as well as personal safety in connection with National Fire Safety week. Our Bible lessons will center on the stories of Creation as well as Noah's Ark. Pastor Scott will begin sharing of his time and talents with our children during our monthly Bible time in October. Mrs. Wall will also begin music class with our children two times a month.

Basic Concepts for October

2 Day Classes:

Numbers: 2 & 3

Colors: Red & Yellow

Shape: Square

Skills: Listening and Following 2 Step Directions

3 & 5 Day Classes:

Numbers: Review 1-10, Rote Counting & Number Sense

Colors: Green, Purple & Orange

Shapes: Triangle & Rectangle

Letters: E, F, D, P

Skills: Pre-writing Fine Motor Skills & Cutting

Upcoming Important Dates:

October 2nd - Noon Dismissal Begins for 2-day classes

October 8th - Our Local Fire Department visits our school

October 11th - Parent Teacher Conferences for 2-day classes

October 12th - Parent Teacher Conferences for 3 & 5-day classes

October 19th - Preschool Closed for the Maryland Teacher Convention

October 24th - Field Trip to Triadelphia Lake View Farm for 3 & 5-day classes

October 30th - Costume Parade at 11:30 am for 2-day classes

October 31st - Costume Parade at 11:30 am for 3 & 5-day classes

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Thank You for Registering your child at Christ Memorial Christian Preschool for the 2018-19 School Year.

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