



## October 2019 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. Our 3-year old classes will have the opportunity to explore our beautiful church grounds on a fall nature hunt. Our 4-year old classes will be taking their first field trip to the pumpkin patch. Our lessons this month will be all about families of the Bible, focusing on Noah, Moses and Joseph. 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.

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## **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.

***3-year old Classes - Thursday, October 10th***

***4-year old Classes - Friday, October 11th***

We are using Sign Up Genius to sign up for conferences this year. You will receive an email on Monday, September 30th to sign up for your child's conference. If you have any questions or scheduling conflicts please see your child's teacher.

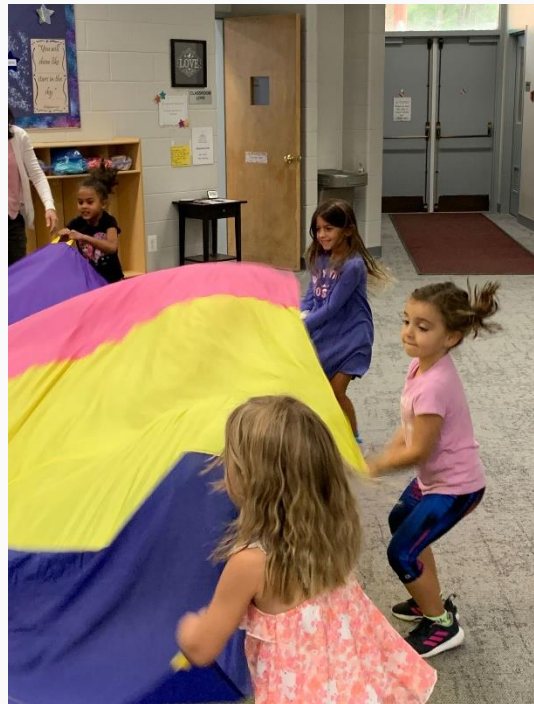
It is important for your child to not be present for the conference. Therefore, please arrange for your child(ren) to remain home or you can help each other watch your children during conferences in our church nursery. There will not be preschool staff in the nursery you will need to coordinate with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

## **FIELD TRIPS WILL BE STARTING SOON!**

Our 4-year old classes will be taking their first field trip on October 23rd to Triadelphia Lake View Farm. Our 3-year old 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.

Wednesday, October 30th - 4-year old classes Parade

Thursday, October 31st - 3-year old classes Parade

**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.



*Please select one snack item from each column for your child's snack day. If you have another idea you would like to bring, we love new ideas, please just check with your child's teacher before your snack day.*

#### **List 1: Fruits/Vegetables/Dairy**

- Strawberries
- Oranges
- Apples

#### **List 2: Crackers-Like Items**

- \* Goldfish
- \* Pretzels
- \* Cheezits



- Grapes
  - Bananas
  - Pears
  - Berries
  - Raisins
  - Dried Fruit
  - Applesauce
  - Sting Cheese
  - Cheese Cubes/Slices
  - Yogurt
  - Hummus for Dipping Vegetables
  - Baby Carrots
  - Celery
  - Cucumbers
  - Cherry Tomatoes
  - Sweet Peppers
  - Snap Peas
- \* Graham Crackers
  - \* Teddy Grahams
  - \* Snack Mixes
  - \* Wheat Thins
  - \* Triscuits
  - \* Pita Chips
  - \* Club Crackers
  - \* Popcorn
  - \* Pirate Booty
  - \* Veggie Straws
  - \* Ritz Crackers
  - \* Cereal Bars
  - \* Granola Bars
  - \* Muffins



## 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 or something the children are learning about that week. See below for dates and what to bring:

### **3-year Old Classes:**

**October 3rd** - Something that is RED

**October 17th** - Something that is a SQUARE

**October 24th** - Something that is YELLOW

**October 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.

### **4-Year Old Classes:**

**October 4th** - Something you can SMELL

**October 25th** - Something you see in the FALL

**October 30th** - 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.

## Music Class

Our by-weekly music classes will begin this month. Mrs. Wall is a local music teacher that will be playing guitar, singing and introducing the children to instruments through out the school year. She will meet with the children as a large group in the big room for about 20 minutes on her visits. It is a fun time for all!

## 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: F, E, D, P

Skills: Pre-writing Fine Motor Skills & Cutting



## Upcoming Important Dates:

October 1st - Noon Dismissal Begins for 2-day classes

October 10th - Parent Teacher Conferences for 3-year old classes

October 11th - Parent Teacher Conferences for 4-year old classes

October 18th - Preschool Closed for the Maryland Teacher Convention

October 23rd - Field Trip to Triadelphia Lake View Farm for 3 & 5-day classes

October 30th - Costume Parade at 11:30 am for 4-year old classes

October 31st - Costume Parade at 11:30 am for 3-year old classes