

October 2025 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 activities, and a costume parade. Our lessons this month will be all about our five senses, Noah's Ark, and the season of Fall. 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!



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. Please read over the attached reflections for this conference to help prepare yourself. Fall Conference Reflections <--LINK

Classrooms Joy & Love - 4 Year Old Classes - Wednesday, October 15th

Classroom Joy - 3 Year Old Class - Thursday, October 16th

Classroom Hope - Thursday, October 16th

We are using Sign Up Genius to sign up for conferences this year. You will receive an email on Wednesday, 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 on the playground. There will not be preschool staff on the playground, you will need to coordinate with other parents.



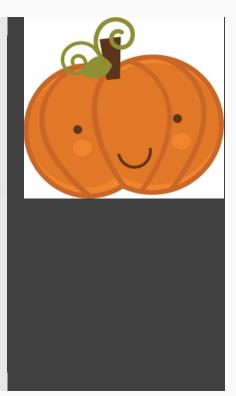
Tuition Payment for October

Please remember your October tuition payment is due by Friday, October 10th. All payments must be done through our online system. You can access the system via the preschool website. <--- Link Select the purple box on the right side of the screen titled Preschool Payments.

We are Going on a Pumpkin Hunt!

<u>3-year-old Classes</u> - We will have a special pumpkin adventure at preschool this month!

4-year-old Classes - We will have our first field trip on Monday, October 13th to the Clarks Elioak Farm Pumpkin Patch. Permission slips were sent home in your child's purple bag on Wednesday, September 24th. Click here for an additional copy of the Permission Slip. Make sure they are turned in by this Friday, October 3rd!



Costume Parade

4-year old classes Parade Friday, October 31st

Our 4-year old classes will have a costume parade on Friday, October 31st. 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 11:15 am that day.

3-year old class Parade Thursday, October 30th Our 3-year old class will have a costume parade on Thursday, October 30th at 11:45 am. This parade will take place indoors within our big room outside the classrooms. All parade viewers are asked to arrive by 11:40 am and will be asked to stand outside the arrows on the floor. The children should bring their costume in a bag labeled with their name. If you prefer your child not to participate you can arrange an early pick up at 11:30 am that day.



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Amazon Wish List

Please consider supporting Christ Memorial Christian Preschool by donating needed classroom items from our <u>Amazon Wish List</u>. <--LINK Thank you for your support!



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.

Preschool Directory Correction:

Please correct the following errors in your directories that were sent home in September.

Adams, Leo - correct address is 9240 Brush Run



Please check out the updated School Calendar and Special Events listing on the Parent Board and linked on the website here.

2025-26 School Year Calendar



Snack Reminders:

Your October Snack calendar came home last week. Below is a reminder 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. All snack items must be store bought and in unopened packages. Fruit/Vegetables can be washed and cut when brought to school. 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.

<u>List 1: Fruits/Vegetables/Dairy</u>

List 2: Crackers-Like Items

Strawberries

* Goldfish

- Oranges
- Apples
- Grapes
- Bananas
- Pears
- Berries
- Raisins
- Dried Fruit
- Applesauce
- String Cheese
- Cheese Cubes/Slices
- Yogurt
- Hummus for Dipping Vegetables
- Baby Carrots
- Celery
- Cucumbers
- Cherry Tomatoes
- Sweet Peppers
- Snap Peas

- * Pretzels
- * Cheezits
- * 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



We are so excited to have field trips this year! To join us as a parent chaperone for a field trip you need to turn in a copy of your current driver's license and car insurance. Even if you turned in a copy last year, a new set must be turned in this year. Mrs. Gallagher would be

happy to make a copy for you in the office as well.



Show & Tell

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 2nd- Something that is a CIRCLE

October 9th - Something that is a SQUARE

October 23rd - Something that is a RECTANGLE

October 30th - Your COSTUME!

4-Year Old Classes:

October 3rd - Something you could see in the FALL

October 10th - Something you can SMELL

October 24th - An ANIMAL you could see on NOAH'S ARK

October 31st - Your COSTUME!

Basic Concepts for October

2 Day Classes:

Numbers: 2 & 3

Colors: Red & Orange Shape: Circle & 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

Trunk-or-Treat!

Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church, will be holding a special <u>Trunk-or-Treat on Sunday, October 25th at 12-2 pm</u>. Trunk-or-treating is a version of trick-ortreating, but instead of children going door to door to collect candy, they go from trunk to trunk. Each trunk will be decorated with a fun theme. Some of the teachers of Christ Memorial Christian Preschool will also be present during the event. We would love to have preschool families participate in this fun event by bringing your children in costume to trunk-or-treat. You are also welcome to decorate your own trunk to add to the group! If you would like to decorate a trunk please see Mrs. Gallagher.



Upcoming Important Dates:

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

October 13th - Field Trip to Pumpkin Patch - 4-year old classes

October 15th - Parent Teacher Conferences - JOY & LOVE 4-year old classes

October 16th - Parent Teacher Conferences - JOY 3-year old class & HOPE

October 17th - Preschool Closed for the Maryland Teacher Convention

October 25th - Trunk or Treat at Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church at 12-2 pm

October 30th - Costume Parade at 11:30 am for 3-year old class

October 31st - Costume Parade at 11:30 am for 4-year old classes