

St. Michael's Preschool Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

Chapel

Every Wednesday
9:30am- Frog, Giraffe and Elephant
class

10:00-Owl and Butterfly Class.
*Parents are always welcome to
attend.*

Oct 6

Back to School Night for
Butterfly, Owl and Elephant
Families 6:30-7:30

Oct 17

Field Trip to Smith Family
Farm

Oct 31

Halloween Parade 10:00

Looking forward to next month

Nov 11

Closed for Veteran's Day

Nov 14

Thanksgiving Lunch

Nov 24-25

Closed for Thanksgiving
Break

Director's News

Dear Families,

Welcome to October! We say good-bye to the Indian Days of September and welcome cooler (hopefully) weather and all the fun that October brings.

Our first event this month is our Back to School night for Butterfly, Owl and Elephant families. (Giraffe and Frogs already had theirs). We will be open from 6:30 to 7:30 so stop by anytime to talk to the teacher, look at your child's work and hear about plans for a great school year.

Our next event is our Fall Field Trip to Smith Family Farm. This is our favorite fall trip, and if you haven't been there yet, make plans to go with us! You'll enjoy a hay ride, a musical show, a corn maze, pumpkin patch and the great company of the St. Michael's families. We will meet here at 9:00, and leave by 9:15 for our scheduled tour at 10:00. We will enjoy all the activities, and then have a picnic lunch. As a reminder, school is closed after the field trip. We will be using Parent drivers for the field trip, this is a great way to get some volunteer hours and meet other families. Permission slips went out in your parent cubby, look for yours. They are due back to me by the 10th.

The grand finale to our month will of course be Halloween! The school wide parade will be at 10:00, and we welcome all families to join us. Classroom parties will follow, please check later in the month for sign ups.

You may have noticed an old friend hanging around...Ms. Shonece! We were fortunate enough to have her come back and do some subbing for us. She will be here this month subbing for Ms. Diana while she goes on her vacation and will also sub for me when I leave for vacation from Oct 17-21. Rest assured your children will be well fed and in good hands while I am gone!

Mark your calendar for Dec 16th. Your children will be performing in the First Annual St. Michael's Pageant. More info to follow, but keep that night free!

Let's hope it gets cooler and we all can enjoy sweater weather!

See you next month,

Ms. Colleen

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Pre-K Frogs News

Hello Parents,

Well the air is getting a bit cooler, the winds are blowing and the leaves are all changing and falling to the ground. It is hard to believe that the children have been in school for a month! They are making great strides and seem to be settling in very well. It has been a true blessing to work with each one of your children so far, and I am looking forward to what the rest of the year will bring!

During the month of October the kids will be working on their letters, shapes and numbers as well as practicing their cutting skills. Please mark your calendars for our field trip to the Smith Family farm on Oct 17th. I also wanted to let you know I will be on vacation from Oct 11-18. Ms. Shonece will be taking the class in my absence.

Ms. Diana



Pre-K Giraffe News

Hi Giraffe Families,

The Giraffes are falling right into the school year with a bang! We are excited to see which letters we are working on each week. The children take their classroom jobs seriously and are truly showing how responsible they are!

Please allow your child time to practice writing their names at home. Working together at school and home will give the children the practice they are looking for to build their confidence.

Thank you for the thoughtful classroom donations. Your continued support over the last couple months has been so generous.

Stop by anytime.

All my love,
Ms. Kendra



Owl Class News

Hello my Owls!

Our first month of the school year was awesome! The kids are getting accustomed to the classroom rules and routines. They are really enjoying circle time as they get to sing songs and learn letters of the week. We have been using wooding pieces to make the letters of the week. We had a special project called Mat Man where the Owls made a person using wooden pieces.

In October we will continue to work on letters and having each child recognize their own name. We will also be learning things that go together, sequencing, over and under, long versus short and real versus pretend. So get ready for a spooky and fun month.

Love,

Mr. Louis

Chapel Topics

Oct 5-Visiting Angels

Oct 12 - Isaac and Rebekah

Oct 19 - Esau and Jacob

Oct 26 - Jacob's Dream



Elephant Class News

Hi Elephant Families,

Welcome back to another exciting month in the Elephant Class! I first want to say what a pleasure it was meeting and spending time with the Elephant grandparents. It was great to see all the little ones excited to eat and spend time with them.

This month in September we began learning about the season of fall. We talked about the fall harvest, different animals we see, and the weather change. The most exciting thing we learned about was Mat Man. The children enjoyed talking about his different shapes and body awareness. Mat man will become a bigger part of the classroom when we begin drawing self portraits. I have introduced the letters H, T, L, E and F. Slowly the children have begun to recognize these letters in their manes. We started learning how to spell our name, each child has a name mat and is asked to spell their name at circle time.

In the month of October, we will continue working on our letters, recognizing our names, patterns over and under and long versus short and real versus pretend.

Love,
Ms. Miriam



Butterfly Class News



Hi Butterfly Families,

Happy Fall! Last month the Butterfly Class worked on our class routines and our social/emotional skills. The butterflies are transitioning well! The class loved our apple theme! Pretending to make apple pie, playing with the felt apple tree and playing with red play dough was the class favorite.

This month we will be focusing on fine motor skills. Our theme for the month is pumpkins and orange! We will learn about "spooky" the square pumpkin and make pumpkin bread.

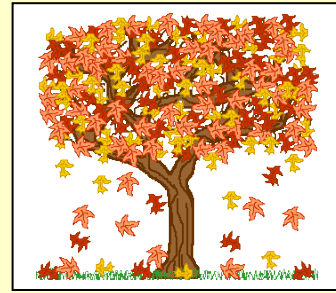
Just a reminder-Back to School is Oct 6th. We would love for you to stop in and see our classroom. Oct 17 is the field trip, all butterflies must have a parent attend with them. This month we will start our monthly goals. These goals are based on our classroom expectations.

Love,
Ms. Kittie and Ms. Tiffany

CACFP

As many of you know, St. Michael's participates in the Child and Adult Care Food Program. A portion of our food purchases are reimbursed based on information you provide. You probably noticed a packet in your parent cubby. Please take a minute to complete and return. We are required to keep very accurate info, and we are audited by the State Nutritional Services Dept. to ensure we follow procedures properly. It really helps our food program budget to receive these funds. It allows us to purchase higher quality foods and more quantity. All information is kept confidential. I need 100% participation in order to comply with the State Regulations. Some of my new families received these forms in their enrollment packet, but I am required to have all families enrolled in the month of October to complete the forms. So yes, you need to fill them out again! Thank you in advance for your cooperation! I might just share some of my recipes with you!!

September Lunch Menu



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	3 Spanish Rice with Meat and Cheese Broccoli Peaches Milk	4 Sloppy Joes Green Beans Pears Milk	5 Mac and Cheese Mixed Veggies Peaches Milk	6 Penne Pasta with Meat Sauce Garden Salad Pineapple Milk	7 Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Carrot Sticks Apples Milk	
	10 English Muffin Cheese Pizza Peas Pineapple Milk	11 Beanie Weenies Cornbread Apple Milk	12 Teriyaki Chicken and Rice Green Beans Oranges Milk	13 Grilled Cheese Veg Sticks Peaches Milk	14 Chicken Nuggets Salad Pears Milk	
	17 Field Trip to Smith Family Farm	18 Bean and Cheese Burrito Mixed Veggies Oranges Milk	19 Chili Corn Muffins Apples Milk	20 Beanie Weenies French Bread Pears Milk	21 Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Veg Sticks Applesauce Milk	
	24 Mac and Cheese With Ham Peas Bananas Milk	25 Taco Salad with Meat and Cheese Tortillas	26 Chicken Quesadillas Black Beans Oranges Milk	27 Spaghetti With meat sauce Green Beans Apples Milk	28 Sloppy Joes Mixed Veggie Peaches Milk	
	31 Halloween Parties!					



October Snack Menu

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	3 Bagels with Cream Cheese and Juice Chex Mix Scramble with Oranges	4 Strawberry Cereal with Milk	5 Yogurt with Pears Cheese Quesadillas	6 English Muffins with Fresh Fruit Granola Bar with Apples	7 Cinnamon Apple Bread Graham Crackers with Cream Cheese and Bananas	
	10 Pancakes with Syrup and Milk Pita Chips with Hummus	11 Biscuits and Jelly with Apple Juice Tuna Salad with Wheat Crackers	12 Cheerios with Bananas and Milk Cheeze It Crackers and Pear Slices	13 Cinnamon Toast with Orange Juice Cornbread and Oranges	14 Granola Bars and Apples Yogurt Smoothies with Fresh Fruit	
	17 Waffles with Jam and Milk Center Closed after Field Trip	18 Cheerios and Milk Trail Mix and Pears	19 Bagels and Cream Cheese with Pears Cinnamon Toast and Apples	20 Granola Bar and Oranges Cheddar Cheese and Ritz	21 Belvita Bars with Orange Slices Tortilla Rollups	
	24 Biscuits with Jelly and Milk Graham Crackers with Cream Cheese and Bananas	25 Life Cereal with Bananas and Milk Cheese Quesadillas	26 English Muffins with Apple Slices Pigs in a Blanket	27 Waffles with Jelly and Pears Yogurt with Strawberries	28 Cinnamon Raisin Toast with Milk Trail Mix and Watermelon	
	31 Halloween Surprise! 					