



THE SUNBEAMS

October 2008

"Success in school life and, I dare say, in all of life, requires self-control, awareness of the rights of others, fair play, and a willingness to be taught."

From Let's Bring Them Up Sensibly by Mae Carden

Back to School Poem

"We've joined together as classmates
as the school year begins...
A year full of learning
while we become friends.
We'll share and be kind
as we work and play.
And our friendship will grow
with each passing day."

From Mrs. Love

Events

Friday, October 3rd: CCPA General Meeting

All parents are welcome.

Wednesday, October 8th: Hip Hop Hooray

This is the main fund-raiser for the year. The money earned will help to enhance our school with future upcoming events.

Remember to dress your child in red, white or blue.

Pre-School: 9:30 a.m.

Pre-Kindergarten: 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, October 22nd: Picture Day

More information will be coming in the children's backpacks.

Friday, October 31st: Fall Festival and Assembly

The assembly will be in the auditorium at 9:45 a.m. Please wait for the upper school to exit the auditorium before entering and finding your seat. The children will wear their costumes to school. We ask that the costumes be fun and cute, not scary. For safety reasons we ask that the children not wear masks, or bring guns, swords, or knives. We appreciate your support in making Fall Festival a fun event. The children will then go to their classrooms for a party before entering the play yard for the fun events.

Teacher/Parent Conferences

We would like all of our parents to have an opportunity to share time with their child's teacher. Please call the office to schedule a conference after October 1st.

Conference Times: Pre-School 9:30 a.m. and 11:40 a.m.
Pre-Kindergarten 10:00 a.m. and 11:40 a.m.

Welcome

Ms. Vess' Aide, Mrs. Lyon will be moving to upper school but the children will get to see her throughout the day. We are pleased to have Mrs. Aupperle to join Ms. Vess' class. Mrs. Aupperle has experience working with children and is excited to be part of your children's educational lives.

Parent's Share

Any parent or grandparent that would like to come and share a special interest, talent, hobby or occupation with our children, please let us know and we will set up a time for you to come. The children enjoy this special time.

Car Seats

Please remember we cannot release your child without a proper car seat. If a grandparent or babysitter, or friend picks up your child, make sure they have the correct car seat. We have attached a copy of the car seat laws.

Please

Umbrellas are no longer permitted for Pre-School and Pre-Kindergarten. They have been a safety hazard, a distraction, and cause problems. Raincoats with hoods or rain hats are recommended in lieu of umbrellas.

Room Parents

Liaison - Mrs. Denverly Grant

Mrs. Ellrott	Mrs. Kirkdoffer
Miss Hendrix	Mrs. Orshatz
Ms. Juarez	Mrs. Castellanos
Mrs. Bashardoust	Mrs. Luthra
Miss David	Mrs. Hurst
Mrs. Love	Mrs. Berlinger
Mrs. Madison	Mrs. Helfert
Mrs. Vess	Mrs. Halt

Beams from the Pre-School

Red apples, green apples, yellow apples, it must be September. The children brought in apples for "apple stamping" and tasting. Lessons have begun in literature (Ask Mr. Bear), comprehension, speech and math. The children are learning Miss Carden's poems and are enjoying incorporating them with art projects. The children enjoy music, art and playing with their new classmates.

Rehearsals for Fall Assembly will be starting and we look forward to seeing everyone there. Happy autumn.

Mrs. Ellrott, Miss Hendrix, Ms. Juarez, Miss Land, and Miss Plantenberg

Beams from the Pre-Kindergarten

The Pre-Kindergarten classes started out the school year discovering and experiencing apples in their different colors, shapes, and tastes. They enjoyed celebrating Johnny Appleseed's birthday with an array of fun activities, including "homemade" applesauce.

We are beginning to learn the playnames and have started printing the eight "c's". We are brushing up on our math language and starting to print numbers. We are working our way through the first literature book, The Runaway Bunny, as well as starting Mary's Home and Daddy's Garden.

Our sharing theme for October is autumn. This is a wonderful time of year to go on a nature walk with your child to explore and gather objects. Share day is Friday; please help your child select something that fits within the theme. A list of this year's themes was given at orientation.

The children are excited about performing in their Halloween Assembly and cannot wait for all the fun they will have at Fall Festival. We are all looking forward to this wonderful event.

Mrs. Bashardoust, Miss David, Mrs. Love, Mrs. Madison, Mrs. Vess, Mrs. Rosenberg, Mrs. Brunasso, and Mrs. Aupperle.