

## Dear Chesterbrook Parents,

The month of September flew by and the school year is off to a great start! By now, everyone has settled into their new classrooms and everything is running smoothly. October is going to be a busy month. We have a lot planned and we are super excited to celebrate one of our favorite holidays... Halloween!!

# Here are just a few friendly reminders...

- The Kindergarten and the Pre-K class will be going to Zimmerman's Farm on Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. The students will each get to pick out a pumpkin of their choice. Please pack a peanut free bagged lunch for your child. \*\*<u>TENTATIVE</u>\*\*
- Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> will be our Halloween Party and Parade. At 10:00 am all classes will have their parties, in the afternoon, each classroom will get an opportunity to show off their Halloween costume in our school parade, on your child's playground, so please send in your child's costume that morning in a bag labeled with their first and last name. Please look on your child's classroom door for information and a party signup sheet.
- Please remember to check your child in and out for <u>every</u> drop-off and pick-up using the I pad on the front desk.
- For security purposes, please do not share the code to the front door with anyone. Friends or other family members listed on your child's authorized pick up list will be required to ring our door bell.
- Tuition is due every Friday for the following week or every Monday for the current week. A mandatory \$25 fee, per our corporate office, will be charged if payment is not given by Monday at noon. No exceptions.
- We have an ACH program that allows us to automatically withdrawal the tuition from your account weekly. If you would like to take advantage of this, please ask for the form.
- Please be sure that your child has an extra pair of weather appropriate clothes in their cubby. Also, make sure **EVERYTHING** (including clothes) is labeled with your child's first and last name.





- •You must give four weeks' notice in writing prior to withdrawing your child from the School. If four weeks' notice is not given, please understand that you will be held responsible for four weeks' tuition.
- •You must also give us two weeks' notice prior to changing your child's attendance schedule.

•In the state of New Jersey it is mandatory for children between the ages of 6 months to 5 years of age to receive the Flu vaccine. If you have not already done so, please provide the proper documentation that states that your child did receive the flu vaccine by Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup>.

We hope to see all of our families at the Halloween Parade!

# Stacy, Thien, & Adriane

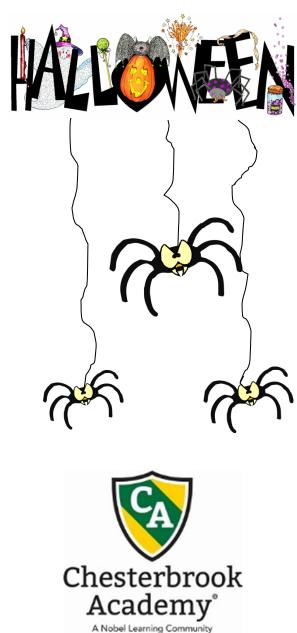
# Calendar of Events:

10/23- \*\*TENTATIVE\*\* Kindergarten and Pre-K field trip to Zimmerman's Farm for Pumpkin Picking
10/31- Halloween and Our Halloween Party & Parade (Times TBA)
Our Halloween Parade will be on your child's playground. Please send your child's costume in with them that morning. Parents can start arriving at 3:30.

# **Looking Ahead:**

11/10- Closed for Veteran's Day (Professional Development Day for Teachers)

11/26- Closed- Thanksgiving



Don't forget to visit our website for the lunch menu, special event dates, reminders and so much more... sewell.chesterbrookacademy.com

# A message from our teachers!

#### Infants

Hello, October! This month will consist of many fun Halloween projects. On October 31<sup>st</sup>, we will be dressing up in our costumes for our Halloween parade. Please come join us! Also, now that colder weather

is approaching we ask that you bring in a change of weather appropriate clothing and we encourage you to bring in a sleep sack for your child if you would like.

## Toddler A

Happy October! This month we will begin our Color of the Month; Orange and our shape of the Month a circle. The Links to Learning Skills of Self Awareness and Awareness of others will be explored by the children. Thank you for your continued support of Share A Book

Day and our daily activities. Keep an eye out for details about our Halloween Celebration and Parade. Get ready for a "Boo-sy" month!

#### Toddler B

October is here and with it comes lots of fun activities. We start our color of the month this month which will be orange. Some of our LTL activities will be understanding one/many, building and using new vocabulary, and jumping with both feet. The Toddlers will continue working on using an open cup! Keep up the good work friends!

### Beginner A

The Beginners class is all adjusted to their new room and friends. The month of October will be filled with learning all about Fall and we will also be getting ready for Halloween! We will explore different textures of various objects such as pumpkins, gourds, and other Fall objects. Be on the look out for our Halloween Party sign up sheet. We will be using leaves to identify one object versus many and learn the names of community helpers. Please send in pictures of your family so we can discuss them in circle and use them to talk about our families.

## Intermediate A

We are very excited for Autumn! We are talking about the changing leaves and the weather everyday! The kids are already talking about Halloween and what they are going to be! We can't wait to learn about Fall Harvests, including how farmers plant and grow crops and the different fruits and veggies we get in the Fall. We are going to do an "All About Me" collage in the class. Please send in pictures of your family and some of your child's favorite things like colors, foods, toys, etc. These can be cut out of magazines or printed from a computer. Please send them by Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>! Thank you so much!

### Intermediate B

The Intermediate B class has had a great first month of school so far! The children are very eager to learn and let their teachers know what they know! For the month of October, the children will focus on Language and Literacy, following multi-step directions, answer questions logically, and explain their own ideas. In Math, we will recognize shapes and letters. We will continue with social emotional skills everyday and also work on fine and gross motor skills. We are looking forward to another great month!

## Pre-K

Pre-K is "falling" into the school year very nicely! This month we will be working on some of our sight words, continuing to master recognizing our letters and writing our first name in proper cases, and a new set of Spanish words. Another skill we will be learning, is knowing our home addresses and home phone numbers. I also started a homework punch out system, after they get so many holes punched in their card they will be able to get a prize. Please be on the look-out for permission slips for Pre-K's next field trip to go pumpkin picking and a sign up for our Halloween Party! We're going to have a spooktacular month!

#### **Kindergarten**

Happy Halloween!! This month we are focusing on initial and final m, t, a, and s, comprehension skills such as character, classify and categorize, compare and contrast, and setting, reading genres such as fantasy and nonfiction; learning how to read, compare, and write numbers 6-10, one more, ordinal numbers, 0-20 with ten frames, counting 1-100, and greater/less than, and learning about plant and animal needs and reducing human impact.