# Chesterbrook Academy Wayne

OCTOBER 2022 NEWSLETTER



## HAPPY OCTOBER! 🖨

Autumn is upon us! As the air grows crisp and the leaves begin to change color, we welcome a new season here at school! This October is full of exciting fall events, so please mark your calendars to join us as we celebrate together!

## 🖉 UPCOMING EVENTS! 🖉

## TRICK OR TREAT OPEN HOUSE!

WHEN SATURDAY, OCT. 22ND, 10AM-1PM

#### WHERE OUR SCHOOL

#### **MORE INFORMATION**

Trick or Treat! We would like to invite all of our students & their families to attend our October Open House event! Get ready to dress up in your favorite costume (or stay in your coziest fall pajamas!) and spend a spooky Saturday with us! We invite you to trick or treat from classroom to classroom and participate in some Halloween arts & crafts activities - it's sure to be a ghoul-ishly good time!



## HALLOWEEN PARADES & PARTIES

WHEN FRIDAY, OCT. 28TH, 2:30-4:30PM

#### WHERE OUR SCHOOL

#### **MORE INFORMATION**

**Boo!** Our Halloween Parades will take place on **Friday October 28th** and will be separated based on class. Parents & families are welcome to attend, and each classroom will have its own small party to follow as we await pick-up for the day!

Parade Schedule: 2:30 PM - Pre-K 2 3:00 PM - Pre-K 3:30 PM - Intermediates 4:00 PM - Beginners 1 & 2 4:20 PM - Young Tods & Toddlers 4:40 PM - Infants



## FLANNEL FRIDAYS

#### WHEN

FRIDAY, OCT. 7TH, 8AM TO FRIDAY, OCT. 28TH, 6PM

#### WHERE OUR SCHOOL

#### **MORE INFORMATION**

Each Friday in October we will be feeling fantastic in flannel! Sport your coziest flannel shirts every Friday for some extra special autumn cheer!



## **CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS:**

## **OCTOBER PLANS FOR OUR CLASSROOMS:**

#### Infants:

• Fall themes such as pumpkins, leaves, apples, and more!

#### Young Toddlers & Toddlers:

Pumpkins and the little Munchkins will be going hand in hand to celebrate the fall vibes with some amazingly designed fun activities **6 6** 

Spooky yet cute, scary yet adorable, our tods can make anything look lovable with their little touch of innocence, even the horrifying ghosts **AAA** when they will create the one. Stay tuned for Halloween fun galore in the coming days

Don't get startled by the buzzing sirens and lighting at CBA, it's just our tods learning all about fire trucks this Fall. They not only will read about them but also create their fire trucks as a part of a fun activity

#### Beginner 1:

- We will be learning about fire safety in Beginner 1. Fire engines, fire truck songs, and stop drop & roll as we learn to keep safe from fire.
- Next, we will go "Down on the Farm" as we read books and identify different farm animals.
- Then, we will explore pumpkins! We will look inside and handle a real pumpkin to explore textures and colors along with other pumpkin art fun!
- Finally, we will gear up to our Halloween Parade as we explore "Spooky Season" we will create spooky artwork and count & sort candy corn!

#### Beginner 2:

- Week of Oct. 3rd, Theme: Fall/Seasons New Month = New Season! We will be doing all things fall this week! Pumpkins, scarecrows, and we will study the leaves changing color! Our own friendship tree leaves will be changing from green to red, yellow, and orange!
- Week of Oct. 10th, Theme: Around the World Students will be learning about different countries and cultures! We will have traditional outfits from different cultures that the students will get to explore & we will discuss why these clothes are meaningful to each culture.
- Week of Oct 17th, Theme: Trees & Leaves The trees are changing, as well as your kiddos! We will go outside and collect different leaves to explore the different colors. We will do lots of leaf-related crafts and activities!

• Week of October 24th, Theme: Halloween! - All things Halloween! We will do fun crafts & celebrate the holiday with the parade & a small party on October 28th!

#### Intermediates:

- October begins our fire-house unit! We will learn about firefighters, EMTs, and other first responder personnel. We will learn all about Stop, Drop, & Roll! Next we will talk about a make a chart to help us remember when to call 911 in an emergency. The children will learn the importance of a safe meeting spot in case of an emergency at home, and at school we will practice our fire drill route!
- In addition to the firehouse we will continue to talk about fall and will be having a party and parade on October 28th!
- Several parents have asked about donations to the classroom: this month, if you child has materials related to fire safety/firefighters, we would love to borrow it! Costumes, books, toys, you name it! Also, as you are cleaning and resizing clothing at home, we are always accepting donations of clothing for our spare clothes bin. This is also the perfect time to restock your child's spare clothing in their cubby as well with seasonally appropriate gear!
- If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to Ms. Jen or Ms. Kathleen!

#### Pre-K:

- Farm week we will explore mazes, cornfields, and the fall harvest
- Fire safety stop drop & roll, first responders, how to prevent fires, and more!
- Five senses using our senses to experience fall and experience being present in our bodies through our senses!
- Halloween spooky crafts, our Halloween parade & our Halloween party!

#### Pre-K 2:

- Fire safety discussions about what fire fighters are & what they do; how to prevent fires; make fake fire out of tissue paper, explore what it would be like to be a firefighter, identify what a fire house looks like & what firefighters wear
- The five senses We will focus on one sense per day & go over them all at the end of the week. Apple tasting, listening to the sounds of nature, a sensory bin to explore touch, and looking around outside & describing what we see with all of the changes this time of year, & scented stickers to experience our sense of smell.
- Farms learning about what's on a farm, things we do on a farm, farm animals, making our own farms, write and draw our favorite farm animals, math with grouping farm animals for addition & subtraction.
- Halloween learning about Halloween, why we celebrate it, practice writing what their Halloween costumes are, talking about skeletons & making our own, and learning what a skeleton is & learn about our own bodies!



## **REMINDERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

## **PICTURE DAY IS COMING UP!**

LifeTouch will be paying us a visit on **November 9th and 10th** in the **morning only**! Mark your calendars now!!

## **BEDDING STORAGE FOR** NAPTIME

For storing our naptime gear from home, we ask that all families provide a large tote bag or reusable grocery bag (such as in the photo to the right) to store their child's blankets/bedding in during the week. Since cubby storage space is limited, we will keep all



bedding in these provided bags on your child's cubby hook! Remember that plastic bags are not permitted, as they are considered a choking hazard!

## **OCTOBER TEACHER APPRECIATION**

Our October Teacher Appreciation Day will be on **Wednesday, October 19th**! Sign up to participate using the link below:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48AAAB2FA6FBC34-october



**October Staff Appreciation** 

www.signupgenius.com

For this next Teacher Appreciation Day on Wednesday October 19th, we are asking for a few parents to donate \$5-\$10 so that we can buy our staff a lovely lunch! Sign up below:

## ONESIES VS. T-SHIRTS, PULL-UPS, AND MORE!

As a reminder for all parents of children in the **Beginners through Pre-K 2 classrooms**, please keep in mind that onesies are not recommended! **Please refrain from sending your child to school in a onesie**, as it can pose challenges during diaper changes & potty time! Thank you!

Also, for all parents with children in pull-ups: please remember that **pull-ups are designed for potty training**! We encourage all children who wear pull-ups to be actively practicing potty selfhelp skills at home, and likewise we encourage **all students who are actively potty training to wear pull-ups only**! This allows children to practice pulling their pants up and down with ease. If your child is wearing pull-ups and is potty training, we do request that the pull-ups provided to the school are the ones **easy-open refastenable sides (such as Huggies brand pull-ups)**. This also allows for easier potty transitions for both the students and teachers!

Thank you for your continued cooperation as we support your children through this exciting journey!

## **PARKING & PICKETT POST CONSTRUCTION**

Pickett Post will be having tree work completed on **October 7th**. This tree work will primarily be centered around the pool area & should not impact our parking spaces, but Pickett Post has notified us that they may do some minor trimming around the tennis courts near our school. Please be careful parking & notify us of any concerns during this time!

## PARENT AMBASSADORS WANTED!

We are looking for parents to join our Parent Ambassador program to help engage & connect with both current and prospective CBA Wayne families!

#### What's the expectation?

Our PAs would take action by providing testimonials of their experience with our school, volunteering at school-wide events, and overall aiding in the promotion of our amazing Chesterbrook Academy community

#### <u>Perks:</u>

PAs can receive a number of perks, including:

- Swag such as water bottles, t-shirts, and more!
- Opportunities to learn about upcoming school plans & providing feedback
- Parent referral tuition discounts in the event that prospective families that PAs have connected with choose to enroll

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a Parent Ambassador, sign up using the following link: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48AAAB2FA6FBC34-parent</u>



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## **UPCOMING DATES OF CLOSURE**

## **CBA WAYNE WILL HAVE SCHOOL CLOSURES ON** THE FOLLOWING DATES:

#### Friday November 11th

• School closed **all day** in observance of Veteran's Day

#### Thursday November 24th

• School closed all day in observance of Thanksgiving

#### Friday November 25th

School closes at 4PM

#### Friday December 23rd

School closes at 4PM

#### Monday December 26th

• School closed **all day** in observance of Christmas Day

#### Monday January 2nd

• School closed **all day** in observance of New Years Day

Please refer to the calendar on our website for a full list of planned closures this year!









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AUTUMN DAYS HERE AT CBA!



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