Jack and Jill Pre-School
Attleboro, MA

October 2021

Jack and Jill Pre-School Monthly Newsletter

Mrs. Lay's Corner

Dear Families,

We have reached the second month of this school year. The children and teachers have settled in beautifully. I am happy to report that squeals of glee now outweigh the goodbye tears.

We are about to embark on the sights, sounds and smells of Fall in our classrooms.

The teachers have planned many wonderful seasonal activities for your children to enjoy this month.

Warmly, Katrina

Cooler Weather

Please begin to send jackets on a daily basis. It is often chilly in the early morning when the Pre-K class goes out to recess. Mittens will be important soon as well, so dig them out now! The equipment is cold in the mornings and your children will want them!

We teach all of our students how to put on their own coats. We use the rhyme: ***"Tag at the toes, arms in the holes, up and over the head it goes".***

Singing this little rhyme at home while you help your child put their coats on will help them to master the technique. It will help us get outside faster so that we can enjoy as much outdoor time as possible.

Please remember to label all outdoor gear!

Birthday Celebrations

We love to celebrate birthdays with our students.

You must give at least 1 week in advanced notice if you are planning on bringing in a treat for a birthday. The teacher will discuss any allergy restrictions in your child's classroom. We do ask that birthday invitations which do not include the entire class be emailed to the invitees outside of school. All families have access to our family directory which will be sent via email later in October.

Fall Festival

Our first fundraiser of the year will be held on Saturday October 16th from 10:00 – 12:00 outside of Jack and Jill.

This event is a family gathering and fundraiser all in one. By purchasing a pumpkin pass for $8.00, your child will have the opportunity participate in various activity stations and have a snack as well.

There will also be craft items, baked goods and book grams for sale!

All tickets sales will take place prior to the event. No tickets will be sold at the door.

A Sign-Up Genius was sent via email on Friday 10/1.

Guest Reader

Mrs. Lehane will be our bi-weekly guest reader this year. She will be coming in on Tuesdays and reading to each Pre-K class as well as the Mixed Age Class. Mrs. Lehane will be here on 10/5 and 10/19 this month.

Music and Movement

We are excited to welcome back Mrs. Tuminelli from Tunes for Tots!

Mrs. T will be providing music and movement to our classes on a monthly basis. Mrs. T brings her guitar and we sing, dance and read stories!

She will visit both Pre-K classes on Tuesday, October 12th.

She will visit Mixed Age and the 3's classes on Thursday, October 14th.

Drop Off and Pick Up Reminders

Arriving on time and being ready to enter the classroom when the door is opened is imperative. Our Pre-K, Mixed Age and Enrichment classes have a morning meeting immediately following drop off. This is an important time where the children are learning necessary school readiness skills. Please arrive to school with enough time to have your child do all of their morning jobs including using the bathroom and be ready to enter their classroom when the door opens.

The pick-up line must begin to form at 5 minutes before dismissal time. The first car in line needs to pull up 1 full car length past the dumpster. Each additional car follows in line. Please pull up as close to the car in front of you as possible. Please do not park in the middle of the driveway by the curve if you arrive early. You must park in a spot until your pick up time begins. Thank you for your help in making dismissal a smooth process.

Please be sure to communicate our drop off and pick up procedure to sitters, grandparents and friends who are helping you out in the morning and afternoon.

Important Dates

Friday, October 1st
Fall Festival Sign-Up Genius

Monday, October 4th
Pumpkin Passport Order Forms sent home

Thursday, October 7th
Family Coffee – 9:00 AM

Sunday, October 10th
Tuition Due

Monday, October 11th
No School

Wednesday, October 13th
CLASS Observation & Fall Festivals Donations due – Board Meeting 6:30 PM

Saturday, October 16th
Fall Festival 10-12

Friday, October 29th
Fall Festival 10-12

Enrichment Class

The Enrichment class with begin a 6 week Marital Arts program on Tuesday 10/5. Sensei Michael of Lotus Studio in North Attleboro will be coming in. He specializes in the areas of self-control, respect for others and basic problem solving skills to avoid danger. We are all looking forward to Sensei Michael's return to Jack and Jill!

Photography

Watching your child play at school with their friends is so exciting to see! Wanting to capture all these moments is something we all do. However, to ensure all students/staff safety and privacy videotaping the playground or inside the school is not allowed! If you would like to take a photo of just your child in the hallway that is perfectly fine. Photos which include other students or staff are not permitted without permission.

I thank you for your cooperation in keeping everyone safe.

Don't forget to check out our website https://www.jackandjillattleboro.com/