

Children's Village News



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DATES TO REMEMBER Irvine Park Pumpkin Patch Field Trip

XXX is our preschool trip to Irvine Park Pumpkin Patch. This trip is open to rooms 1, 3 and 5 only. Children must have fully mastered the potty learning process, unless accompanied by an adult. While at the pumpkin patch, the children will go on a train ride and a hayride. They will have the opportunity to pick their own pumpkin from the pumpkin patch. All chaperones must submit proof of their pertussis (Tdap), measles (MMR), 2022 flu vaccine (waiver available), TB clearance, and sign a Statement of Good Health (see office for form).

All pumpkins will be labeled with children's names and will stay at school to be incorporated in our curriculum. All pumpkins will be sent home after the Fall Festival, which is that Thursday, October 20th.

The cost is \$30/child and \$23/adult

To sign up: pay and pick up a permission slip from the office by **Monday**, **October 10**th. Payment can be made by check, cash (exact change) or your Tuition Express account. Tuition Express accounts will be processed on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>October 12</u>th.

If you would like to purchase a Children's Village t-shirt for your child to wear to the fieldtrip, it may be purchased in the office prior to the day of the fieldtrip for \$12 (we accept cash, check, or can be charged to your Tuition Express account).

Fall Festival

On **Thursday**, **October 20th**, our school will be **closing at 4pm** for our Fall Festival, which will be held from 4pm to 5:30pm. The evening will be filled with fun family activities. Families are invited to bring a pumpkin to decorate (unless your child will be getting one at the fieldtrip). We will have collage materials available. The children will also be making a "Friendship Soup" for the event.

We are asking each parent to bring in one vegetable of your choice for the soup! Please involve your child in the choosing of the vegetable. The children will be preparing the vegetables for the soup, to be enjoyed during the festival.

Please, have your child choose and bring in one ingredient on or before Tuesday, October 18th. Some suggestions are carrots, green beans, cabbage, celery, onions, squash, etc. The children will cut all ingredients at school for our soup.

Reminder, school will be closing at 4pm, so children must be signed out by an authorized representative before attending the event.

Please plan extra time for pickup and event parking. The front driveway of the school is for quick pickups; therefore, if you will be attending an event, please park in the parking lot or on normal street parking. Parking in the front driveway will only be permitted if arriving after 4pm.

Scholastic Book Orders

October Scholastic book orders are available near your child's sign in/out book. All book orders are due Thursday, October 13th. Order forms can be submitted to the office or online: www.scholastic.com/bookclubs

Our school activation code is: GKJ9B

Great American Shake Out

At 10:20 a.m. on Thursday, October 20th, millions of Californians, including Children's Village, will participate in the largest earthquake drill! We will practice <u>Drop, Cover, and Hold On.</u>

The Great California Shake Out is held statewide on the third Thursday of October each year. In addition to this large event, the teachers conduct routine earthquake drills in the classroom on a regular basis. Before and after our drill, teachers review what to do in the event of an earthquake (the ground starts to shake).

We invite everyone to visit the Great California Shake Out website: http://www.shakeout.org/

We also would like to remind all families to please provide your child with an "Emergency Kit". If you need a handout on what the kit should contain, please let the office know, and we can email you a copy of the flyer.

Room 5 Parent/Teacher Conferences

Optional Room 5 parent/teacher in person or phone conferences will be available on **Tuesday**, **October 25th**. If interested, we would like to give you the opportunity to schedule a conference with your child's teacher to discuss your child's development.

If interested, please call the school by Monday, October 17th to schedule a conference time and receive the conference conversation form to complete and return by Tuesday, October 18th.

Read for the Record

On **Thursday**, **October 27th** children and adults worldwide, including Children's Village Preschool, will participate in the world's largest shared reading experience by reading this year's campaign book, *Nigel*, and the Moon. *Nigel* and the Moon is about a young boy who dreams big but is too scared to share his dreams with the world. Instead, every night he tells his dream of becoming an astronaut, dancer, and superhero to the moon. As his class moves through career week, *Nigel's* community helps him build up confidence in who he is. This book encourages children to celebrate where they come from, who they are, and who they want to be.

"Read for the Record" is a global campaign that generates public support for high-quality early learning & highlights the importance of building children's vocabulary and love of reading.

<u>Pajama Days</u>

Pajama Days will be Monday, October 31st and Tuesday, November 1st. For safety reasons, please make sure your child wears school appropriate shoes, not slippers.

CURRICULUM

The following areas of focus are common topics that may emerge this month: "Fall Changes", "Apples", "Human Body Parts", "What is a Fruit/What is a vegetable", "Pumpkin Exploration", and "Foods that Help Us Grow".







LOOKING INTO NOVEMBER

- * Tuesday, November 1st = Pajama Days
- * Wednesday, November 2nd = Rooms 1 and 8 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- * Thursday, November 3rd = School Closes @ 4pm for staff development.
- * Tuesday, November 8th = Rooms 3 and 7 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- * Wednesday, November 9th = Rooms 6 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- * Friday, November 11th = School Closed in honor of Veterans Day
- * Thursday, November 24th & Friday, November 25th = School Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

Time Change

On **Sunday, November 6th**, we will change the clocks back one hour. Please be aware that it is normal for children to go through an adjustment period during this time.

For the children who are picked up later from school, please explain to them that it might be dark when you pick them up, as this can be confusing for children. This will reassure them that you will be here to pick them up at the usual time.

Additionally, making some small changes to your child's sleep schedule beforehand can help cushion the transition. To help adjust, it is suggested to gradually shift your child's bedtime earlier in preparation for daylight saving time. For example, if your child goes to bed at 8 p.m., about four days before the time change, put him/her to bed at 7:45 p.m., then 7:30 p.m., and so on until he/she is going to bed as close to 7 p.m. as possible. If possible, wake him/her up a little earlier, as well. "Doing this step-by-step is not as much of a shock to the system as it is when children are expected to fall asleep an hour earlier after the time change."

https://www.parents.com/kids/sleep/tips/dayligh t-saving-time/

