

Zion Christian Early Learning Center Monthly Newsletter



October Special Dates

Oct. 10th	Kona Ice @ 9:30
Oct. 11th	Fire Drill
Oct. 18th	Tornado Drill
Oct. 22nd	Lock Down Drill
Oct. 25th	Fall Harvest Celebration & Parade
Oct. 31st	Orange & Black Day—Wear Orange & Black



Sweet Peas

Teachers: Ms. Kelly K., Miss Kelly R., Miss Christina

The leaves are beginning to change and fall is here so please make sure you replace your child's extra clothes with warmer wear. We take the children outside on a regular basis, so please dress your child accordingly. If your child is now walking or beginning to, please send shoes. We will also be sending home the sunscreen you provided. Fall Harvest will be October 25th. We will be posting a sign-up list for classroom treats in the classroom. Costumes: please label and send in your child's costume in a bag. We will dress your child for you. Giving Tree: thank you to all the families that have donated to our "wish list". If you haven't done so yet, feel free to grab an apple off our giving tree. We have begun our special activities with the supplies already provided. The babies are learning so much with our sensory activities. Throughout this month we will begin Halloween creative arts with babies. This tends to get messy, so please remember to send your child in play clothes. Happy 1st Birthday to Mila!



Little Rascals

Teachers: Mrs. Lori, Miss Jasmine

Autumn is full of beautiful colors, different scents and perfect weather for nature walks to explore with the sound of leaves crunching under our feet. This month we will be counting to five as we do "Five Little Pumpkins" along with our colors while we read Shivery Shades of Halloween. The children are trying to sing and do motions to songs in our room, we are going to mix it up a little with The Spooky Wheels on the Bus story/song. A lot of sensory, language, and literacy this month with our approaches toward learning. Art will be based around the season and holiday of Halloween. A family project will be sent home to make a scarecrow with your children. Thank you parents for bringing in snack on your child's snack day. Please label inside your child's jackets with the cooler air. It is very easy for a jacket to be placed in the wrong cubby.



Shining Stars

Teachers: Miss Colleen, Miss Carri

Hello Parents! Happy Fall!
Please make sure to pack an ice pack if your child brings a lunch. Also, please make sure to bring extra clothes into school and place in their mailbox. We're so excited for the Fall Harvest Celebration and Parade on October 25th. Hope to see you there!



Wise Owls

Teachers: Mrs. Toni, Miss Hannah



Fall is in full swing and our Wise Owl friends have been working so hard getting adjusted to their new room. This month is full of fun activities including art of all sorts, making play-dough, cleaning out pumpkin guts and hoping this nice weather sticks around so we can enjoy some outside play. You will also notice mostly process art in this classroom. Process art allows them to explore, ask questions, and see how things work. Process art allows the children to be themselves, make their own decisions and just create. The first topic we will be exploring this month is manners, sharing, and playing nice with friends. We will also be discussing families as we get closer to the holidays so please send in 3-5 pictures to fill up our family board. Lastly, we will be having a Halloween party on October 31st. We will not be wearing costumes on this day! Costumes will be worn on the 25th for the Fall Harvest Celebration and Parade. Please watch the parent board for additional information.



Busy Bees

Teachers: Mrs. Frances, Ms. Karen

Happy October! This is one of the children's favorite months; probably has something to do with getting all that candy! We are hoping for fall weather to kick in so we can enjoy the beautiful autumn colors as we learn more about this season. As we lead up to Halloween, we will be learning about bats, spiders, pumpkins, and skeletons. We are so pleased with how well the children are doing with name recognition and cutting with scissors. We have started to see some progress with letter formation as some of our friends have begun to write their names.



Explorers

Teacher: Mrs. Ehret, Mrs. Deb



Boo! Fall is in the air and we've been noticing the leaves begin to change color and fall. Right now, the children are interested in all things Halloween so watch for some spooky things we will make and some holiday changes to our room. Continue to check Class Dojo for important information.

Reminders: Please make sure there is weather appropriate extra clothes in your child's cubby.
Please bring snack on your child's day.
Please turn in your paperwork if you haven't already.

Fun activity to try at home: [Fall Scented Homemade Playdough](#)

Ingredients:

- 1 cup white flour
- 1/2 cup salt
- 2 Tablespoons cream of tartar
- 1 Tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 cup water
- 1/2 Tablespoon ground cinnamon, pumpkin pie spice, vanilla extract or caramel extract to each batch (add more stronger scent if desired). May also add food coloring for color.

Instructions:

Sift together flour, salt, and cream of tartar. Add to pot and add water and oil. Turn stovetop on medium heat and stir constantly. Add scent of choice while stirring. When dough becomes a ball, remove from heat and add food coloring. Knead until color is consistent throughout. Pair your homemade playdough with fall cookie cutters and play!

Support Staff:

Miss Carlie, Miss Jensen, Miss Janelle, Miss Jenna, Miss Jessica, Miss Gina, Ms. Lori, Miss Lauren,
Miss Jordan, Mrs. Laura, Miss McKenzie

Parent Reminders:

- Schedules are due by 6:00pm on Wednesdays in the office along with payment.
- Payments can be made on our website at www.zcslearningcenter.com
- Change summer clothes to fall clothes in your cubby.
- Please remember to cut grapes if they are provided as a snack or are included in lunches brought from home.



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