

2016



Park's Edge Preschool

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A Letter from the Director...

Happy Birthday

Madeline Guetzkow	10/01/2008
Elaina Hintz	10/03/2015
William Rogge	10/06/2015
Grayson Smith	10/12/2011
Mia Balistreri	10/12/2012
Benjamin Egan	10/15/2015
Mckenna Perry	10/16/2013
Eva Gumieny	10/18/2013
Jack Mealy	10/30/2013



Ms. Sandra	10/04/????
Ms. Ellen	10/07/????
Ms. Emily	10/17/????
Ms. Jodi	10/22/????
Ms. Jacoba	10/25/????

October



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Ms. Dee	10/01/1996
Ms. Syeda	10/01/2014



Dear Park's Edge Preschool Families:

Feed them and they will come is PEP's motto...and many of you did! Park's Edge Preschool's **Annual Open House** was held Thursday, September 8, 2016 was a success thanks to so many of you that attended. In case you missed it here are a few highlights... 'Staying Healthy' was the evening's focus, featured by our special guest, Kate Barrett, RN from the Hales Corners Health Department. Kate's message was about keeping children and parents healthy through hand-washing. Over 40 families heard her message and are helping our faculty reinforce healthy hand-washing habits as children enter the room upon arrival. Families were treated to a 'progressive dinner' served throughout the center. The infant/toddler room's featured cheese & crackers and veggies & dip; preschool classrooms served salad; and Kurth Hall featured yummy baked chicken, mashed potatoes and green beans.

Speaking of Food... Park's Edge Preschool will be collecting food donations October 3-7...for the 2016 Crop Walk...What's that? CROP is the acronym for Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty. The Annual Crop Walk is to be held Sunday, October 9th Registration at 12:30 pm at the McKinley Marina. The walk starts at 1:30 p.m. It's a positive way to help the hungry in our community by raising awareness and funds for international relief and

development, as well as local hunger-fighting agencies. Once again Park's Edge Preschool classrooms are collecting healthy, non-perishable foods. Look for a brown paper lunch bag in your family mailbox to decorate and return with 1 or 2 non-perishable canned goods to donate to this worthy cause. Thanks again!

Wednesday, October 5th Park's Edge Preschool is honored to host training for the **Wisconsin Child Care Administrative Association (WCCAA)**. Park's Edge Preschool has been chosen, for the second year in a row, to host Anne Carmody a leader in the State of Wisconsin's Licensing Department of Children and Families, Division of Early Care and Education. Anne will be here to share pertinent information to Child Care Center Directors from Milwaukee, Waukesha and Racine Counties. We expect about 50 early childhood center directors from the area to attend.

Wisconsin's Young-Star program rated Park's Edge Preschool a 5-Star Provider (highest level of quality) due to NAC Accreditation with the Faith-based Component. If you know someone that may need quality Christian child care? We still have openings in our preschool classrooms. Here are some upcoming Special Family Events held here at PEP/Emanuel Church in October to tell them about: Saturday, October 8th from 7 to 11 pm the Hales Corners Chamber of Commerce is 'fun'(d)raising with an old fashioned 'Sock

Hop' right here at Emanuel Church, Hales Corners. The music is by John Damanske and the Daydreamers. Tickets are \$15 and include pizza, snacks and beverages. Prizes will be awarded to those who come in costume. All proceeds will go towards next year's scholarships awarded to three local Whitnall High School students in the spring 2017. Please see me or Rhianna and/or call Park's Edge Preschool for tickets (414)427-9561. If you like to dance and have fun please come!

A Family Friendly Harvest Celebration/Costume Party for all ages will be held at Park's Edge Preschool on Thursday, October 27th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for \$2 per person. The evening's events will include chili, cornbread and brownies for dinner, a costume parade, scavenger hunt and a performance by Mr. Pickles. Parents and children will come in costume for an evening of family fun and fellowship. Park's Edge Preschool staff members are dressing up as M&M characters this year. All family members are welcome to come join the fun too. Please R.S.V.P. PEP at (414) 427-9561.

Monday, October 31st children are 'dressing-up' as their favorite character for an all center costume parade. The parade time is 10:00 am. You don't want to miss it do you? Parents and/or grandparents are welcome to join us for this special event!! Halloween goodies for all! Have a Safe and Happy Halloween!!

Back to food to mark your calendars for the **Early Learning Leaders**



Love Bugs

Welcome Fall! We also give a warm Love Bug welcome to Ella, Finley, Freya and their families. With cooler weather here, please make sure your child has warmer spare clothes for their cubby. Your child will also need a hat, coat and socks or shoes for our daily walks.

Thank you to all for coming to Grandparent's Day and our annual Open House. We had a wonderful turnout for both events and it was really great to see all the families.

Our Love Bugs continue to

grow and learn every day. Mason is working on sitting up without support and reaching for objects and Karyn is spending more time on her tummy which will allow her to develop her neck and core muscles along with hand-eye coordination. Justin is our child of the month and he likes to listen to books and makes silly faces at Ms.

Nicole. Justin is also starting to roll from side to side.

We ask all families to please bring in a family picture for

your child's crib and tell us something you like to do in the fall time.

A friendly reminder that if your child is going to be late or absent, please call the center by 9am.

We hope everyone has a wonderful start to their Fall season.

Ms. Nicole &
The Love Bugs



Beautiful Butterflies



Fall time and cooler weather has arrived! Please remember to provide proper outdoor clothing as the weather continues to change.

Our monthly themes include: My 5 Senses, Fire Prevention, Fabulous Fall, Apples, Pumpkins and Scarecrows and Harvest Fest. Our children of the month include, Elaina, William and Benjamin E.

They will also celebrate their birthdays this month. Time flies in our Beautiful Butterfly classroom and our children grow just as quick.

Elena loves playing with dolls and puppets and Evan says prayer before every meal. Sawyer is our classroom greeter as he waves "hi" and "bye" to everyone. Vivian always comes to Park's Edge with a smile and Elaina is sitting up and clapping. William likes marching while Ben E. likes playing musical instruments. Ben G. loves pushing cars and Madelyn sings to "Row, Row, Row Your Boat."

As our Butterflies continue to develop, we ask that you please

provide shoes with hard soles for more support when walking. We had a great time with our Open House and Grandparent's Day events last month and we look forward to the fun activities we have planned for the month of October. Our Harvest Fest is always a blast and so is our Halloween parade. Please watch for more details in your family mailboxes.

Ms. Julie & Ms. Mary

Darling Dragonflies

Happy October from the Darling Dragonflies.

Wow! It is October and this year is going by super-fast. We are excited to learn about Fire Safety & Prevention, My 5 Senses, Fall is Around Us, and God's Sweet Treats of Harvest Fest. We thank all of you for coming to our Open House held on September 8th.

Everyone had fun and the dinner we provided was delicious.

This month we have Ms. Jacoba's birthday. Happy Birthday Ms. Jacoba!

We love to welcome another friend that joined us last month, her name is Zoie.

Our child of the month is Nolan.

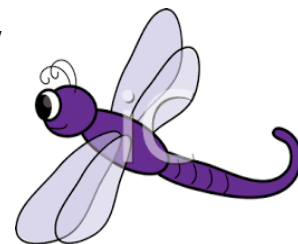
He loves to read books and enjoys the finger play songs. His favorite time of the day in the toddler room is driving the cars on the ramp.

The Grandparent's Day was fantastic. Thank you all for showing up for your grandchildren and making this event perfect.

Don't forget Harvest Fest on October 27th @ 5:30-7:30pm. We

hope to see you there. P.E. P. Children will help Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty. Please donate 1 non-perishable item by Friday, October 7th. Lastly, colder weather is upon us. Please check your child's cubby to rotate the summer clothes with some fall clothes. Have a fantastic month.

Ms. Sanja & Ms. Jacoba





Busy Bees

The beautiful season of fall is upon us. The Busy Bees are looking forward to watching and exploring all the changes and sights around us and, of course, jumping into the fallen leaves!

We start the month off with learning about "Fire Safety and Prevention" followed by discovering our "5 senses." We will enjoy "Fall is All Around Us" and end the month with "God's Sweet Treats of Harvest." It

promises to be a very busy month.

With the changing weather we ask parents to please check cubbies and make sure extra clothes are weather appropriate. Also, please bring sweatshirts or jackets for outside play. Our child of the month is Grace and she loves to work on art projects and spend lots of time in our book corner. Grace also likes to sing and dance. We invite everyone to

come and say "Hi."

With the fall season upon us we would like to encourage parents to take the time to walk with their children to enjoy the scenery. If you're really ambitious, jump in a pile of leaves with your child(ren). It's a great time to spend together.

We wish everyone a very safe fall season and hope everyone gets a chance to experience one of God's most beautiful seasons.

Ms. Beth & Ms. Emily

Sunshine Room

October is here, our favorite time of the year! We hope yours too!

We had a great month in September and we're excited for this month as we enter the Fall season. Our themes for this month include "Fall is All Around Us." We will be exploring the many different leaves falling from the trees in the back field. We will learn different names of the leaves and also learn our colors as we look at the different variety of leaves.

We will celebrate Harvest Fest this month. We look forward to seeing all the parents join us for our annual Harvest Festival on October 27th. The other themes for this month include Apples, Pumpkins and Scarecrows, 5 Senses and Fire Safety & Prevention Week! During the week of Fire Safety and Prevention we will be demonstrating stop, drop and roll. The children learn about keeping safe and developing a family safety plan at home. Parents are more

than welcome to come and participate in our Stop, Drop and Roll demonstration on Wednesday, October 5th @ 11:00 am.

The children are doing an incredible job recognizing their names. It helps us as well as them to become more independent and to know where to place art work, blankets, jackets and other belongings.

We hope everyone has a blessed month.

Ms. Syeda, Ms. Jenele &



Fantastic Frogs



Fall has finally arrived and the children are already noticing the difference in our environment. Last month was a great start to the new school year. We had fun getting to know each other. It was also wonderful seeing all the grandparents for our Grandparent's Day Celebration.

Now that the season is changing, it's a great time to

check cubbies for weather appropriate spare clothing. We also want to remind you that everyone is welcome to sign up for "Read A Story, Stay for Lunch." We always look forward to an opportunity to have new visitors in our classroom.

We have many fun things going on in October so please watch for postings in the classroom, around the center

and in your mailboxes. We will be continuing to work on letters, numbers, colors and shapes. A really fun activity for the whole family is collecting leaves and doing leaf rubbings. We welcome you to share your leaf rubbings you create at home. Speaking of leaves, what did one leaf say to the other? I'm falling for you! HAHA! On that note, have a great month!



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Welcome October! With the weather being up and down please have your child bring in a sweatshirt every day or keep one here. If you haven't brought in your family picture, please do so ASAP. We would like to post them around the room for all of our friends to see. It was fun getting to know all the children and a little bit about their families. Please feel free to come in and "Read a Story, Stay for Lunch." I would also love your help doing a science or art project. If you are interested, please feel free to approach me about it.

We have been working on letter recognition and sounds along with writing. We will be continuing this throughout the year. In October, we will be learning to add our numbers. Not to "add" more to that but we will also be focusing on following 3 step directions.

For a classroom parent engagement project, try going on a walk with your child (it can even be in the yard), ask them what they like about fall and find two leaves to bring in and share with our friends.

We will be going on a fall fieldtrip so look for more information on that. Please mark your calendars for our annual Harvest Festival on October 27th @ 5:30pm. It's sure to be a great time and dinner is included!

May everyone have a wonderful and blessed start to their fall season.

ATTENTION FAMILIES!!!

Children love to show off their families to their friends! As you know, many classrooms ask that children bring in family pictures to share. Now we've made it easier for you to do so!

Simply attach a picture from you cell phone and e-mail it to us at Kristin@parksedgepreschool.com. We will be more than happy to print these pictures so

Slithering Snakes

How quickly can you find out what is wrong with this paragraph? It looks so ordinary that you would think nothing is wrong with it at all and, in fact, nothing is. But it is a bit odd. Why? Did you figure it out?? There are no "E"s in the paragraph! We ask that all families join us as we bundle up against the chilling winds that herald the beginning of Fall. In accordance with the season's commencement, the school age classroom will be embarking on an expedition to the

pumpkin farm on October 17th as the Whitnall School District has off. This Fall season our students will be engaged in activities centering on the harvest season and it's origins. They will explore topics such as why farmers put up scarecrows and how pumpkins grow. On October 27th P.E.P. will be hosting a harvest party complete with fall themed activities, a chili dinner, costume parade and performance from Mr. Pickles. Keep your eyes peeled for more information in your

mailboxes. We hope to see you there! As a reminder we urge all parents to notify the center if they are aware their child will not be attending school that day. As always, we anticipate a fun filled, educational month and look forward to it's realization. We hope everyone has a Happy Fall!

Ms. Jenele, Mr. Cody & Ms. Jodi

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Important Dates:

October 3rd-7th- “Doing Good Campaign’ Donate 1 non perishable food item to help fight hunger for the CROP Walk on Sunday, October 9th*

October 5th- WCCAA Brunch with DCFS Licensing Specialist 8:30am-11:30am

October 8th- Hales Corners Chamber of Commerce Sock Hop 7:30pm in Kurth Hall
Tickets for purchase in PEP office- \$15 each including food, beverages and live music

October 9th- CROP Walk*

October 27th- Harvest Festival 5:30-7pm \$2 each including a chili dinner, fun activities and entertainment. All are welcome to attend and wear their costumes

October 31st- Costume Parade @ 10am- Families welcome to attend



Parent Advisory Council

This month at our PAC (Parent Advisory Council) meeting, we will be brainstorming topics for our 2017 meetings.

The goal for the Parent Advisory Council is to hear parent's ideas and input in our program. To make the Council a success, we are looking for a parent to co-chair the Council.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 20th at 5pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Ms. Kristin
Assistant Director

NAC Nook

Monday, September 26th through Friday, November 18th, 2016 is Park's Edge Preschool's window for our NAC Accreditation validation visit. During that time the National Accreditation Commission will formerly visit Park's Edge Preschool for 2 days to determine the level of quality in our child care program. The validator is here to evaluate Park's Edge Preschool's classrooms and early childhood business practices. Their main objective is to observe the interactions between teacher and children which is so critical to the unique growth and development of each individual child in our program. NAC Accreditation requires a formal validation visit every three years in addition to an annual report due one month prior to the NAC Accreditation anniversary date.

Themes w/ Christian Sub Themes

 SCHOLASTIC

Upstairs & Downstairs Themes

10/03-10/07- Fires Safety & Prevention Week

- Story of the burning bush
- Keep our torches burning bright for Jesus

10/10-10/14- My 5 Senses

- God gave us eyes to see him, ears to hear his truth, mouths to speak life and a nose to smell the fragrances of life.

10/17-10/21- Fall is All Around US

- God gives us new seasons
- Even though the leaves change, God never does

10/24-10/28- God's Sweet Treats of Harvest

- The harvest fields are ready, the workers are few

Thank you to all the parents and teachers who ordered Scholastic books for the month of September. We collected enough points to order a batch of new books and CD's for our library.

The October catalogs should be in your mailboxes by the second week of October and order will be due by October 24th. I am also excited to let you know that this month we have received coupons for a free book up to \$5 with a minimum \$10 book order purchase. Parents, please see me if you plan to order books this month so you can receive your free coupon!

Remember, books play a big part of your child's early developmental learning and progress so keep reading to your child!

Ms. Sandra