Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we are into October already. We are really enjoying getting to know your children. Now that they are getting comfortable, we are really starting to see all of their personalities!

There are lots of special events planned for the next several months so please be sure to keep up with the calendar and any notes or emails that come home. Also check the message board in the preschool as you walk past for any last minute changes in schedules.

Thanks for all you do to help make this such a wonderful preschool!

Grace and peace,
Dana S. Belcher

Together in Education
If you haven’t done so already, please be sure to link your Harris Teeter card to the preschool. Our number is #5768. You can link to more than one school. Once this is done, the preschool will begin earning funds every time you shop at Harris Teeter and purchase any Harris Teeter brands. In addition, please share this number with family members and friends. They do not have to live here for them to sign up with our number.

There are NO LIMITS to how much a school can earn.

OCTOBER
Oct. 1  Tuition Due
Oct. 2  Chapel
Oct. 8  Chapel
          Patterson Farms Permission Slips Due
Oct. 9  Preschool Closed
Oct. 10  Stretch ’n Grow for T/Th 2’s & 3’s
Oct. 14  Stretch ’n Grow for M/W 2’s & 4’s
Oct. 15  Patterson Farms Field Trip for 4’s
Oct. 16  Early Release Day
          Fire Department Visit
Oct. 21  Fall Portraits—MMO, M/W 2’s, 4’s
Oct. 22  Fall Portraits—T/Th 2’s, 3’s
Oct. 28  Preschool Closed
Oct. 29  Ms. Alexis’s Birthday!!
          Chapel
Oct. 30  12:00pm Fall Celebration for
          M/W 2’s
Oct. 31  Fire Drill @ 9:15
          12:00pm Fall Celebrations
          Happy Halloween!

NOVEMBER
Nov. 1  Tuition Due
Nov. 4  Stretch ’n Grow for M/W 2’s & 4’s
          Preschool Board Meeting
Nov. 5  Preschool Closed
Nov. 6  Chapel
Nov. 7  Stretch ’n Grow for T/Th 2’s & 3’s
Nov. 11  Preschool Closed
Nov. 12  Chapel
          4’s Conferences Begin
Nov. 18-21  Book Fair all week
Nov. 25  12:00pm Thanksgiving Celebration for M/W 2’s
Nov. 26  12:00pm Thanksgiving Celebrations
Nov. 27-28  Preschool Closed

DECEMBER
Dec. 8  10:30am Preschool Christmas Performance
Illnesses
It’s that time of year, when illnesses are on the rise. Please let us know whenever your child is out sick so that we can watch for patterns of illness in a particular classroom and alert other parents when necessary. Our handbook policy is that children should not be in school until they are free from fever, vomiting, diarrhea etc. for 24 hours without the use of medication. Additionally, the rule of thumb regarding colds and coughs is that when secretions are so profuse that children cannot keep their hands and classroom toys clean, they should be home resting—not in school spreading germs to others. None of us want sick children nor do we want to be sick ourselves so we appreciate all you can do to help keep our classrooms as free as possible from germs.

DON’T FORGET
Tuition is due Tuesday, October 1 and is considered past due on Saturday, October 5.

Field Trip to Patterson Farms
Tuesday, October 15th the 4 year-old classes will go on their annual pumpkin patch field trip to Patterson Farms. Information was sent home in September. Registration forms and payment are due back by Tuesday, October 8th. Don’t forget to get this information in on time. All children are to wear their HUMCP t-shirts. Please remember, parents are responsible for transporting and supervising their own children during the field trip.

Fire Department Visit
In accordance with Fire Safety month, our local fire department will visit the preschool to talk about fire safety on Wednesday, October 16 at 9:30am. If your preschooler does not attend the preschool on Wednesday, please feel free to join us at this time.

Fire Drill
We will have a fire drill on Thursday, October 31 at 9:15am. Please be sure to be on time that day.

October Service Focus
The preschool’s service focus for October is to collect items for our in house food pantry, Loaves and Fishes. They are in dire need of any kind of canned meat (tuna, chicken, spam, Vienna sausages) and canned peaches, pineapples and mandarin oranges (no fruit cocktail please). There will be a box in the preschool lobby for donations. Thanks in advance for your contributions!

Preschool Traffic Pattern
Please do not forget the traffic pattern when the preschool is in session:

Take the first right when entering the parking lot, go to the end and take a left, go to the end and take another left. You may then take a left (heading west) into either the second or first row of parking.

To exit, head west (toward Hwy 21) when pulling out of the parking space, take a right at the end of the row and follow the road out of the parking lot.