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Online Family Resource Area

**NEW PHOTOS
HAVE BEEN
ADDED TO THE
WEBSITE ON:
9/23/2008**

Be sure to visit the Family Resource area of the website for photos and additional family resources. Don't forget to share with your friends & family!

LOGIN:

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Upcoming Closures

VACATION REMINDER: We will be closed **October 6th – October 10th** for vacation.

DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENT: I have a doctor's appointment scheduled in the afternoon on **Wednesday, October 22nd**. I will be gone from 1:15 p.m. until approximately 5:15 p.m. To avoid closing early, Kearyan and JT will be caring for the children in my absence.

October Lesson Plans

- Letters: F, B, O
- Numbers: 5, 6
- Shapes: Review
- Nursery Rhyme: *Five Little Ducks*
- Fire Safety & Fire Fighters
- Nocturnal Animals
- Colors
- Special Holiday: *Halloween*

Toys From Home

We have been having some issues with toys the children are bringing in to school from home. The children are naturally protective of their possessions, therefore, causing fighting amongst the children. Additionally, Kearyan and I are having difficulties keeping track of toys brought in.

Please remember that I have a **No Toys from Home** Policy - toys from home are not permitted, with the exception of a stuffed animal or blanket that your child may need for naptime. These items should be placed in the child's cubby upon arrival, and will only be taken out at our quiet time period or if your child needs comfort. If you have difficulty getting your child to cooperate, he or she may bring in a small backpack to house their toys - as long as they understand the toys **must** remain inside the backpack until it's time to go home. Due to space constraints, please be sure the backpack is small enough to fit comfortably in your child's cubby.

Extra Change of Clothes

It is time to change out the children's extra change of clothes with the cooler weather approaching. I have a shoe organizer hanging from inside the bathroom door that holds all of the clothing. Each child has a pocket labeled with his or her name, and has their extra change of clothes inside. Please take a moment to check your child's pocket and change out the warm weather clothing for cool weather clothing if necessary. You may also consider leaving a sweater in your child's cubby if he or she has an extra one available. As we get closer to winter and snow, I will be requesting snow boots, hats, and mittens be brought every day as we do still frequent the outdoors. We LOVE to play in snow!



October Field Trips

We will be visiting Anderson Farms on **Wednesday, October 15th** for our annual Pumpkin Patch field trip. This will be our fifth year visiting the farm, and I look forward to returning. We will depart here promptly at **8:45 a.m.** and will return by **12:30/12:45 p.m.** There is a **\$6.00** field trip fee, due **Monday, October 13th**.

As the farm is a distance from us (Anderson Farms is located in Erie, just 12 miles north of 120th Ave), I ask that all children please pack a **sack lunch** so that we may eat while at the farm. Please make sure your child's lunch is packed in either a paper sack or plastic grocery bag so that all the lunches will fit into my cooler. The parking lot is a ways away from the picnic tables, so I'd like to lessen the amount of items that need to be carried in. Also, please refrain from packing soda or lots of sugary items in your child's lunch – *Thank you!*

WHAT TO BRING:

The weather is never predictable on the farm, and it is usually cold when we go. Because it is open fields, the temperature tends to be cooler than here in the city. Please make sure your child has the following items incase of chilly weather:

- **MITTENS**
- **HAT**
- **WARM COAT**
- **SHOES or BOOTS** (Boots if there has been rain or snow prior to our trip – it will be muddy if so!)

Children will be able to pick a pumpkin in the pumpkin patch and bring it home with them. *Parents are more than welcome to join us, the fee is \$6.00 per person. ☺*

Trick-or-Treating

I am currently working on scheduling a Trick-or-Treat event for the children the week of Halloween (hopefully Halloween day!) at a nursing home. As soon as I have it scheduled, I will send a letter home with the information. Please keep a look out for this letter in your child's mailbox.

Scholastic Book Club Orders

THANK YOU for all of the September book orders! And, Thank You for supporting reading in our program. ☺

I have included the October Scholastic Book Club catalogs along with the newsletter. You may also view and purchase from the catalogs online as well. Remember, your purchases help us earn **FREE** books for our classroom! You may also access the Scholastic Book Clubs Online Ordering from the protected Family Resource Area of the website.

www.scholastic.com/parentordering

Class User Name: XXXXXX

Password: XXXXXX

**All orders are due by *Monday, October 13th*.
Thank you for your support!**

Have a WONDERFUL Month! - Babette

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OCTOBER ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2 Library Depart @ 10:15 a.m.	3	4
5	6 CLOSED FOR FALL VACATION →	7	8	9	10	11
12 Field Trip Fee Due \$6.00→ MONDAY	13 Music Class @ 11:00 a.m. Book Orders Due	14 SACK LUNCH →	15 Anderson Farms Depart @ 8:45 a.m.	16 Library Depart @ 10:15 a.m.	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Music Class @ 11:00 a.m.	28	29	30	31 Halloween	