

WARD'S CHAPEL PRESCHOOL



CHATTERBOX



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OCTOBER CALENDAR

Oct. 3	Field Trip –AM & PM 4s – Gamber Volunteer Fire Dept – 9:45-11:00
4	Tuesday Lunch Bunch Begins
6	Thursday Lunch Bunch Begins
18	Picture Day – MT 2s, MTW 3s, AM & PM 4s
19	Field Trip – AM & PM 4s – Buppert's Farm 9:30-11:00
20	Picture Day – ThF 2s, ThF 3s
21	<i>Book Orders Due</i>
21	NO SCHOOL – State Professional Day
25	Field Trip – MTW AM 3s - Pumpkin Patch (at school – during regular class time)
25	Hayride - MT 2s @ 10:45
27	Field Trip – ThF 3s - Pumpkin Patch (at school – during regular class time)
27	Hayride - ThF 2s @ 10:45
28	Costume Parades –ThF 2s (10:45), ThF 3s (9:00)
31	Costume Parades – MT 2s (10:45), MTW 3s (9:00), AM 4s (9:00), PM 4s (12:30)

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

2	Austyn G.	5
12	Grant F.	3
16	Micah F.	5
24	Betty F.	5
28	Emelyne D.	4

OCTOBER PRAYER

God is great, God is good. Let us thank Him for our food.
By His hands, we all are fed. Give us, Lord, our daily bread.
Amen.

The two's will continue with "Our Hands We Fold"

KIDS TO KIDS

During this month's "Kids to Kids" campaign, we will collect *Gently Used Outerwear* for the Westminster Rescue Mission. Please bring gently used adult and/or youth mittens, gloves, coats, boots, snow gear, and new children's underwear and socks. Collection boxes are outside of each classroom. The children can again place a sticker on the chart.

SCHOOL PICTURES

Pictures will be taken by Irvin Simon Photographers on October 18th and 20th. A reminder of picture day for your child's class will be sent home. Individual and class pictures will be taken. Siblings not in school may also have pictures taken at the beginning of each scheduled class time. Packets will be available to purchase at their online website, shortly after pictures are taken.

OCTOBER COSTUME PARTY

Costume party information is found in your parent handbook. Just to remind parents – no scary costumes, no weapons (i.e., witches, ghosts, etc.) Some fun ideas are princesses, animals, or even a bible character. If your child does not want to wear a costume, feel free to send it along in a bag. Sometimes seeing other children dressed up will cause them to join in the fun! A parade and party will be held for each class. Parents are invited to stay for the parade. Look for information soon.

THANK YOU...

- For a smooth start to a new school year.
- For the school supply donations to "Kids to Kids"

PARENT/STAFF BOARD

The Parent-Staff Board met on September 21, for the first time this year. Thank you to those parents who volunteered to be representatives for their child's class. Your class representatives will be introducing themselves and keeping you updated on activities to come.

Lacey Turner – MT 2s
Kayleigh Kronyak – ThF 2s
Courtney Ackerman – MTW 3s
Marty Henneberry – MTW 3s
Annalisse Akins – ThF 3s
Kerry Deming – AM 4s
Sandi Miller – AM 4s
Lisa Jacobs – PM 4s

CHAPEL TIME

We incorporate a chapel time and prayer time in each classroom. The teachers will be using books, CDs, and other props to get The Message of God's love to the children. Pastor Steven will be meeting with the 3s, and 4s, classes on a monthly basis to visit and share with the children. The main emphasis will be how much they are loved and how special they are.

VALUE FOR OCTOBER

The value for October is **Respect**. The dictionary definition is “to consider worthy of high regard or esteem.” Children can show respect in many ways, for example, to themselves (self-respect), to their peers, and to authority. Some ways to foster respect are teaching your children to listen while others are talking. In modeling respect, children will see us really listen to them, give them the time they need to accomplish a task and reinforce those good manners. Remember, *please* and *thank you* when dealing with your children. Children become what they live and see.

WHAT DID YOU DO AT SCHOOL TODAY?

It is difficult for young children to recall and describe what they did during the program day. Children are active and busy for the entire time, but they sometimes lack the words to tell others about their activities – or by the time you pick them up, they have moved on to other things.

Parents, of course, want to know about their child’s day. Here are a few ideas to keep in mind when asking your child about his or her activities.

- Keep informed of the class’s planned events so you can ask specific questions. For example, “Did you get to go on the nature walk today, or was it too rainy?”
- With most children, avoid general questions like “What happened at school today?”
- Avoid questions that produce one-word answers.
- Ask specific questions such as
 - “Who shared at circle time today? Tell me about what she/he shared.”
 - “What was in the art center today?”
 - “Tell me about this drawing in your tote bag.”

Sometimes telling the child a little something about your own day starts the ball rolling. The child may get the idea of sharing news and feelings about his or her day.

From: Family-Friendly Communication for Early Childhood Programs by Deborah Diffily and Kathy Morrison, ed. NAEYC



WCUMC TRUNK OR TREAT

Join us for a Family-Friendly Service on Sunday, October 30th at 11:00 a.m.

After the church service we will go to the lower parking lot for Trunk or Treat. Wear your costumes to the service and bring your trick or treat bag or bucket to collect goodies. There will be games and snacks for the children.

LET'S GO OUTSIDE

Kids love to play outside! And teachers love outdoor time, too. It’s a relaxing, stress-reducing, tension-relieving part of the day, and a time when much development and learning take place.

Physical development is evident outdoors as children learn about their bodies in space, practice important physical skills, and exercise and strengthen muscles. Children also learn social skills--cooperation, turn taking, being on a team. And kids learn about the world around them: they observe changes in plants and the differences in the seasons; they watch living things such as worms and crickets; they learn about the earth by collecting rocks and leaves.

The outdoor environment is an extension of the classroom. We plan for this part of the day just as we do the other parts of the daily routine.

The environment includes equipment that helps encourage learning. For example, climbing equipment helps children develop their motor skills and judgment about what they can safely do. Trikes and other riding toys develop balance and coordination. The sand area is used for creating cities and harbors and for exploring the properties of dry and wet sand.

Classroom equipment can be brought outside to enrich the outdoor environment. Children can paint at the easels and bathe their babies and take them for a ride in a wagon. The time spent outside is a valuable part of our daily schedule.

From: Family-Friendly Communication for Early Childhood Programs, pg. 25.

WARD'S CHAPEL CHURCH NEWS...

Standing Invitation

If you do not have a church family, we invite you to attend Sunday Services and/or Sunday School. There are 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services with a Nursery for children, infants through five, at the 11:00 service. From 9:45 – 10:45, there are Sunday School classes for all ages, for infants through the oldest senior adult. All are welcome.

WCUMC ANNUAL ROAST BEEF SUPPER

The 58th annual Roast Beef Supper is Saturday, October 8 from 4 pm –7pm. The cost of the meal is \$20.00, to dine in and carry-out is \$21.00. Family friendly...all are welcome.

