

**ST. LAWRENCE**  
**Preschool Newsletter**  
**4 Year Old Class-Mon/Wed/Fri AM/PM**  
**OCTOBER**

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This is going to be such a fun month! We have some exciting learning plans for the children and very exciting extras. In addition to our classroom fun, they will be going on a field trip to the apple orchard, and a fireman and policeman will visit our classroom. (pending volunteers) We have much to look forward to.

**Halloween Party**

The Halloween Party is scheduled for Friday, October 28. The children can send in candy for the rest of the class. There are twenty students in the class. The candy has to be wrapped. You need to write your child's name on the bag of candy so that we know which candy belongs to each child. You can send in the candy on or before Friday, October 28.

The children are allowed to wear Halloween costumes. They will need to come to school dressed in their costume. They will be wearing their costume throughout class that day, so make sure it is comfortable. **Guns, swords, knives, or any other pretend weapons are not allowed in the classroom.**

The children will be going on a parade through the hallways and administrative offices. Everyone looks forward to seeing these precious children every year. You are invited back to school 20 minutes early. They have some Halloween poems they would like to recite for you! Then, the children will go on their parade.

I can't wait to see their costumes!!! Mrs. Sandi and I will be wearing a costume too!

**Socialization**

In September, we started playing name games to help the children learn each other's names. They are already seeking out children that they would like to be friends with. The children are placed in stations in groups of up to four. Through interaction with other children, they are developing language, learning about different personalities, learning how to handle conflict, and choosing who they would like to have as their friend.

I absolutely **love** listening to the conversations that they have with each other. Jesus truly shines forth from these children!

### **Large Motor**

One of the name games that they are playing also helps with large motor development. I throw a beach ball to a child. When they catch it, they tell everyone what their name is and then, throw it back to me. This is a skill that will later be assessed, so we are practicing it now.

Fire Drills/Stop, Drop, Roll practices

They will practice crawling on their bellies using their arms and legs to pull them forward.

The children also develop their large muscles by doing the actions to our songs/poems

### **Small Motor**

Alphabet pages and other activities which require-coloring, gluing, cutting and painting

They will learn how to draw a circle

They will practice writing letter strokes.

### **Writing**

#### **What is a child's writing is messy or incorrect?**

That's OK. This is a time for them to use whatever written marks that are comfortable for them at their stage of development. They will refine their writing skills as their muscles develop.

They will practice writing 1,2, square, circle, A -F

### **Shape**

Circle

### **Senses**

Eating S'mores around a pretend campfire!! Yum!

Tasting and smelling the apple cider and donut at our fieldtrip

### **Manners**

Halloween Etiquette: Remembering to say thank you. Accepting whatever is given to them without asking for something different.

### **Social Studies**

Community Helpers/ Classroom Visitors:

Fireman: Fire Safety

Policeman: Halloween Safety

### **Color**

Orange

### **Number**

2

## Letters

Cc for camping: The have a camping experience in our classroom. There will be a tent set up for this week.

Dd for dinosaurs

Ee for eggs-What animals hatch from eggs?

Ff for frogs

## Pre-reading

Letter recognition and the sound that the letters Bb and Cc make.

Identifying letters a-f in words.

## Science

The children will learn to identify different animal tracks and animals that live in the woods.

Learn dinosaur facts and be able to identify different kinds of dinosuars

Identify animals/insects that hatch from eggs

Know the stages of development of a frog

## Songs

Skunk Song

Halloween Songs

## Fire Safety

Practice your family plan at home. If you do not have a family plan in case there is a fire-get one!

The children will learn how to stop, drop, and roll

Practice crawling on your bellies under smoke.

The fireman will show them what a fireman looks like with all of his gear on.

He will teach the children what to do in a variety of situations if a fire should occur.

The children will practice fire drills at school.

## Field Trip!

Our first field trip of the year will be to Blake's Orchard and Mill. Due to insurance reasons, siblings will not be allowed on the field trips.

## Dates to Remember

Wednesday, October 5: Show and tell for the letter Cc

Friday, October 7: Blake's Orchard and Mill

Friday, October 14: Show and tell for letter Dd **and orange day!**-Wear something orange.

Friday, October 21: Show and Tell for the letter Ee

Friday, October 28: Show and tell for letter Ff and.....

Friday, October 28: Halloween celebration and parade. **Come back 10 minutes early** to hear the songs and poems.

Monday, October:  $\frac{1}{2}$  **day**—MWF AM has class as usual. MWF PM does **not** have school.

**Happy Birthday!**

**MWF AM:**

Ruby Valentine 10/8

Ava D'Agostini 10/15

**MWF PM:**

Nolan Hakim 10/10

Angelina Sorrentino 10/16

**FROM THE MOUTH OF BABES:**

**What is love?**

"I know my older sister loves me because she gives me all her old clothes and has to go out and buy new ones."

Lauren—age 4

**Snack Schedule for the Month of October:**

**MWF AM**

**October** 3 Landen Darson  
5 Ruby Valentine (birthday!)  
10 Claire Donovan  
12 Sofia Evola  
14 Ava D'Agostini (birthday!)  
17 Luca Gasperoni  
19 Luke Jablonski  
21 Matthew Joseph  
24 Nolan Kas-Mikha  
26 Harrison Pertot  
28 Mara Santilli  
31 Madilyn Sengstock

**MWF PM**

**October** 3 Emerson Deon  
5 Bella Hoover  
10 Nolan Hakim (birthday!)  
12 Olivia Iacona  
14 Christian Izak  
17 Angelina Sorrentino (birthday)  
19 Evonna Karam  
21 Olivia Kulla  
24 Nicholas Moore  
26 Nico Ross  
28 Nathan Sharrer

