Cherry Hill Pre-School

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We are off to a great start and looking forward to an exciting year! I still have a few spots available so if you know of anyone that would be eligible for our preschool program please have them contact me soon so they don't miss out on all the fun. Thank you so much for your support.

General Reminders

Tuition is due the first school day of the month. Cash is readily accepted. Please put cash in an envelope with your **child's** name on the outside and we will gladly issue you a receipt. If you are paying by check, it is not necessary to put in an envelope but please put your child's name on the bottom left corner of the check. Any notes from home, homework, letter pocket pictures, and tuition payments can be put right in the lunchbox. We check every lunchbox at the start of each school day.

In the months of October and March we now collect an **Enrichment Fee.** As explained in the parent handbook it is necessary to raise funds outside of the monthly tuition payment in order to maintain a high quality program. Our **Enrichment Fee** takes the place of fund raisers that most other schools request your participation. Attached is the envelope that we would like you to submit your fee in, by the end of October. Please refrain from combining this fee and tuition in one check. I would like to keep them separate. This small fee helps to cover the costs of the many extras here at Cherry Hill. We thank you all for your support. It is greatly appreciated.

No School Monday October 14th in observance of Columbus Day.

School Pictures- Gene Hutnak Photography will be at our school during your child's regular class time to take class pictures and individual photos of each student, **October 24th and 25th.** I will email everyone or send the information through the **Remind App** about Picture Day as soon as I get it. Remember these are school pictures and your child needs to be dressed from head-to-toe. He will take individual full view as well as the class photo. Gene Hutnak Photography has been our school photographer for over 38 years! We are certain you will be pleased with the beautiful portraits.

In-School Pick Up Days for October will be Monday 10/21 & Tuesday 10/22. Please follow all In-School Pick Up procedures that are detailed on the back of your Drop Off and Pick Up procedures instructions given to you in your Welcome Bag at Orientation. If you do not have them, I have them downloaded on my website under Downloads.

Color & Shape this month-CIRCLE, ORANGE, BLACK

Letter Pockets this month- D, E, F

School News

For the month of October we will be discussing the season of Fall, fire safety, and have some Halloween fun. We have many stories, activities and crafts planned. Our classroom will make its monthly transformation changing out activities, games, centers and decorations to go along with our

theme. We will be focusing on listening skills with all students, as well as self-help skills and fine motor development. This month you will all be receiving a take-home project with instructions on how to complete it. This is a great way to spend some time with your child and encourage some creativity and discussion. We will be sending home a special project just about every month throughout the year. We hope that everyone will complete their project within a day or two and send it back to school so we can decorate our room.

For our preschool age group (3-4 year olds) in addition to our Monthly theme we will focus on the colors orange and black as well as the shape circle. We will continue to work in our Color and Shape Book, also.

For our pre-k age group (4-5 year olds) in addition to our monthly theme we will focus on the letters **D, E, F** and continue to work on our year long project books. We would love all our pre-k friends to participate in our Letter Pocket activity at least once a week. We will also focus on more writing activities. By now everyone has been given at least one homework assignment. Please be sure to follow the directions given and have your child either trace their name or write their name at the top of their activity page. Remember to have them use pencils for writing and tracing, and only use crayons for coloring.

Halloween Fun 2024

This year we will celebrate Halloween in class **(October 28th & October 29th)** with lots of fun activities, dancing, and stories. We will be making a special project that day as well. The children are asked to wear colors orange and/or black. They can also wear anything festive. **We do not wear costumes to school.** They will need their lunchbox with their snack and their drink on that day.

We will video the children singing and dancing on our Halloween Fun days and will post all the fun on Facebook.

Happy Fall to You All!