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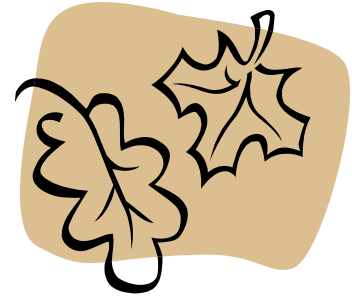
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FAMILY OPEN HOUSE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

5 to 6 pm for 4 day 4's, MTTH 4's, T TH AM & PM 3's:

6 to 7 pm MWF AM & PM 4's, MWF PM3's, WF 3's

All the family is invited to visit school this evening. Let your child show you his classroom and his work. Enjoy cider and refreshments made by each class. This format, similar to the Family Gathering, makes it less crowded for you to visit your child's classroom, view his/her artwork class books, pictures and enjoy your class's homemade snack. If the times listed are not convenient for your family's schedule then please come whenever you can. Please note that Gates Open House is that evening beginning at 6:30. If you'll be attending that please come to us whenever you can. Parking may be crowded after 6:30. A special invitation is attached to this newsletter.

Welcome to a new year at Erdman! It was great to see so many of you at the Family Gathering and parent-teacher conferences. We hope you are excited about the year ahead. Special thanks to Amy Linnell, Katherine Cingel, and Janet Rowe, PAC co-chairs, for arranging the Family Gathering and recruiting Class Ambassadors to keep you informed of special PAC events. A special thank you to the wonderful moms who cleaned the playground! **Everyone is invited to the first PAC meeting on Tuesday, October 18 at 7:30** in the Big Room to learn about this year's plans.

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

All classes have been busy learning classmates (and teachers) names, making friends and becoming acquainted or reacquainted with school routines and expectations. This is an especially big job for Threes and you may notice that they are more tired than usual. Everyone is adjusting well to the new school experience and we are off to a happy start.

During October all classes will watch the change of seasons, take nature walks and bring back interesting items for the science table and creative projects. (Science – Living Things and Their Environment, #16). They will explore apples, cranberries, pumpkins and corn and do lots of cooking. The aroma of applesauce and other apple and cranberry treats will fill the school. We hope to visit the Webster cranberry bogs in Norwell this

month. We will try to give you several days notice about the trip but it will depend on the weather and the picking schedule. The Scituate Fire Department will visit us later in October to talk about fire safety, show us the truck and let us squirt the hose. We'll have our first evacuation drill after this visit and will have one every month during the year. The month will end with some very low key Halloween activities. Most will focus on pumpkins. Fours may bring a costume to school for our parade to other classrooms. Please make sure that the costume and the bag it comes in are both labeled with your child's name. Teachers will tell you the dates. Threes do not wear costumes but we will make masks for our parade. If you would like to provide a special treat (not candy and no nuts) for your child's class please speak to the teachers. Please remember to read the white message boards and check your child's bag every day. Along with the monthly newsletter these are our major means of communicating with you.

PLEASE NOTE: OUR HEALTH CARE CONSULTANT HAS CHANGED FROM DR. DAVID MORIN TO DR. MARGARET CAROLAN OF COHASSET PEDIATRICS.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- No School – October 10 – Columbus Day
- SCHOOL PICTURES will be taken on October 11 for 4-day, MTTH 4's and TTH 3's classes and October 14 for MWF 4's, MWF PM 3's & WF 3's classes.
- Lunch Bunch begins for Fours on October 3. Information/permission slips are attached.
- October 6 - Family Open House
- October 17 – Toddler Playgroup begins. Ask Debby for more details.
- Explorers begin on October 3. Spaces are still available for both afternoons.



REMINDERS

FOR SAFETY'S SAKE....please do not park beside the orange cones. This area must be clear for children and parents entering and leaving the playground. Turn off your car's engine and ask a friend to watch siblings in the car if you don't want to bring them inside. Children should never be left alone in the car nor should they be allowed to run between the car and the playground at drop off or pick up time.

- *Please dress your child warmly as the playground can be cold and windy. Layers are great and hats and mittens will be necessary soon.
- * Please arrive on time so that your child can start the day with his or her classmates. If you are delayed for pick up due to an emergency, call the office so that we can reassure your child that you are on the way.
- * At both drop off and pickup please come INSIDE the playground fence and make verbal contact with your child's teacher before leaving.
- *You are welcome to be on the playground with other children as long as there is no class or Lunch Bunch outside.
- *Darcy is available in the office Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays from 9 to 2 to answer questions about tuition, required forms and book club, etc.

PAC'S HELPING HANDS

Are you able to donate some needed supplies to the school? Then "Helping Hands" is for you. Just pick a hand from the Parent Board, purchase the item on

your next shopping trip and bring it to the office. We hope that these contributions will help keep our budget on track and provide some extra funds for special events for kids and families.



We are hoping to offer several informative evenings for parents this year. Right now we are working on an evening in November about helping your child develop friendships and the skills needed for social success in preschool and beyond. A Kindergarten readiness evening is planned for the winter. We welcome your ideas and suggestions so please talk to Debby.

Scholastic Books for your children!



We will be placing our first Scholastic Book order in October. All orders are placed online, registration is free. Look for the deadline date above the black tuition box outside the office. The deadline for October's order will be Wed October 19th. For returning parents, use your previously created login info. If you are a new parent, you need to register and then enter our school's activation code GX772. It will say it's for "Darcy Conlin's Class". This is the correct Erdman account. Any questions, feel free to ask Darcy darcyconlin@gmail.com Happy Reading!

Thank you...

For helping your child start the school year on such a happy note. Please let us know how we can help you!

Here is the best way to communicate with us...

For Debby, Darcy and office questions..please call at any time or leave a note in the black "tuition" box outside the office.

For Teachers....call and leave a message asking the teacher to return your call or email if you have their personal address. They will get back to you asap.

We use our school email only for state and other school business or for previously arranged communications.