

Children's Center Chronicle

Arroyo Grande United Methodist Children's Center www.worshipweekly.com October

Message from Ms. Maddy

PARENT PARTICIPATION IS KEY TO THE SUCCESS OF OUR SCHOOL! This month we are having a Fall Tri-Tip BBQ on Friday, Oct 12, 2018. Help us reach our goal of \$2000 by selling or buying your BBQ tickets. The meal comes with a Tri-Tip sandwich, fruit, chips, and a dessert item. Pre-sale tickets are \$12 and tickets will be \$15 at the door. Kids meals are also available pre-sale for \$5 or \$8 at the door. A chicken corndog will be substituted for the tri-tip sandwich. We will also have a drawing to win prizes and pumpkins for sale. See the Sign-up to help where you can. Sign-up sheets are on the Sign In/Out Table. **Proceeds from this event will help us purchase supplies and materials for our classrooms. The public is invited to attend, too.** Tri-Tip meals are for Dine In or Take Out 11:30 am-1:30 pm or 4:00 pm -6:00 pm.



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Blessings for A Bountiful Harvest!



Mark Your Calendar

Friday, October 5- STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY AND SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY. Wear your school T-shirt, to show your school spirit. **SCHOOL WILL CLOSE AT 3:30 PM.**

Friday, October 12- FALL TRI-TIP BBQ. 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM. or 4:00 -6:00 pm

BIBLE STORY & GOODIE BEAR TIME

We will read Mathew 14:13-21, "The Big Picnic", from the Beginning Bible. "Goodie Bear", and Ms. Shirley, will share our "Fruit of the Spirit" teaching on Kindness. This wonderful time together will be on **Wednesday**

Ms. Carissa and Ms. Rebecca's Pre-K Class

Hi Families! Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter. I want to also thank all our families for coming to conference. We really enjoyed talking with you and getting to know you and your child better. In September we have been talking about construction and building. We have put out activities to help inspire our children to be engineers. For October we will be working on the letters 'D', 'E', and 'F'. We also look forward to discovering what inspires the children's interests and will direct our future topics of learning.

~Ms. Rebecca



Ms. Daphne and Ms. Maddy's Preschool Class

We've spent September learning about the life cycle of butterflies. Our class released three Monarch Butterflies and we're waiting for several more caterpillars to go through the process. As we prepared for conferences in September, we practiced counting from 1-10, did one to one correspondence, practiced cutting and the children drew self-portraits. They've also identified shapes, colors and some numbers. We conducted interviews with the children and learned more about what they liked to do at home and school. We also sorted apples by size, color and weight and did a taste testing to see which apple they liked best. We went on a fall leaf walk and collected and sorted leaves by color and size. For October we will continue to work on being respectful and will also talk about being kind. We are practicing respectfully and kindly saying,

"Please", "Thank you", and "Excuse me." They are learning how to be respectful and kind by taking turns and helping with cleanup, as well. They are also practicing raising a quiet hand during circle instead of shouting. A friendly reminder: if your child is not an Early Bird, please arrive with your child between 8:30-9:30 a.m. If you are running late for the day, please call our number at 805-481-2223 x 22. This helps us with our snack count and in preparing for our group time experience. We are looking forward to another great month.

~Ms. Daphne

Ms. Shirley and Ms. Swati's Toddlers

Fall is in the air and the children are becoming aware of leaves falling and the weather changing. In September, we gathered leaves for our sensory table and noticed a lot of them were yellow. The children really enjoyed the clothes line and washing bin in the dramatic play. This all came about when they heard the story "Mrs. Wishy Washy". In September we also used apples in different ways; we measured them, tasted them, and even cooked with them. They really enjoyed the variety of apples that were brought in to the class. In October, we will continue to talk about fall. Pumpkins can be brought in by the children to decorate our room. We will also be showing the children that you can cook with pumpkins; we will be making a pumpkin pie. During this time, the children will be helping us clean out the pumpkins to see what it looks like inside, and take time to explore the pumpkin flesh and seeds. With fall approaching, the weather will be changing. We ask that you please remember to bring a jacket with your child to school. The time will be changing also, and it will start to become darker earlier. If your child is in extended care, it might be dark outside when you arrive for pick up. We will also be talking to the children about time change and how it will be darker outside earlier. Thank you to everyone for all of your help and encouraging words every day, its truly a blessing to us all. In Gods Love, ~Ms. Shirley

ASK YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER ABOUT HOW YOU CAN HELP OUT IN OR OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM:

- * Helping with a cooking project
- * Making playdough
- * Taking home laundry
- * Preparing Materials, etc.