



# Trinity Lutheran Preschool

# Little People's Press



October 2018



## Parent's Corner

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### October Calendar

Monday & Tuesday, October 8th & 9th:

Preschool Picture Days

Sunday, October 14th:

Christian Education Sunday, Students sing at 9:30 a.m.

Friday, October 19th:

Halloween Family Night 4:00-6:30 p.m.  
(Halloween Puppet Show at 4 p.m.)

Wednesday, October 31st:

Halloween Parade and Classroom Parties

Wednesday, October 31st:

Trunk or Treat, 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the Elementary School  
Parking Lot (Activities, Games, Snacks)



*Nash Barton*  
*Christopher Black*  
*Everly Ching*  
*Owen Dier*  
*Elise Martinez*  
*Abigail Moss*  
*Matthew Torres*  
*Ms. Dahlia*  
*Ms. Jessica*  
*Ms. Laura*

### Notes:

- ◆ Please make sure you are familiar with our Parent Handbook and the preschool's policies. You can find a copy on our website.
- ◆ Make sure to label all jackets, lunch boxes, sweaters, blankets, etc.
- ◆ If you ever have any questions or concerns, please let us know.

Be on the lookout for information about our various fundraisers this school year. We will be selling See's Candy, planning a couple of eating fundraisers at various restaurants, and having a Trike-A-Thon in the spring. Your participation helps make our school a success.



Picture Day!  
Monday & Tuesday,  
October 8th & 9th!



## Ms. Jessica's Class

Hello, Parents!

It's finally October and I can't believe that September came and went. I would like to say thank you to all the pre-k parents that were able to attend back to school night. Last month the pre-k students went over the letters C, O, & G, and started working on tracing and writing their names. We also had discussions about apples and even had apple tasting, in which the students were able to describe the smell, taste, colors and were able to tell me why or why not they liked a certain apple.

This month they will learn new letters, A, D, S, & L and all new discussions and vocabulary words, as well as continuing working on their names. I'd like to remind you that if you haven't already joined the pre-k remind group or if you would like to join just text 81010 and leave a message, @3ah8gh. Once you join, the pre-k teachers will keep you posted on any special events that are coming up. Also, please make sure you check your child's cubby at the end of each day.

Thank You,  
Ms. Jessica

### This Month:

Themes: Community Helpers, Fire Safety, Pumpkins, & Halloween

Letters: A, D, S, L

Numbers: 5, 6, 7, 8

Colors: Red, Brown, Yellow, Orange, Black

Season: Fall

Shape: Triangle

Bible Concept: God Loves Me and Always Helps Me

### October Dates:

8th & 9th—Fall Picture Days

14th—Christian Education Sunday, 9:30 a.m.  
All Children Sing

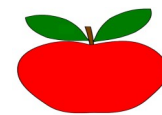
19th—Halloween Family Night 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

31st—Halloween Party & Parade, 10:00 a.m. No weapons or scary costumes (Parents Welcome)

31st—Trunk or Treat 4 p.m.

### Class Wish List:

Disinfecting Wipes  
Tissue



## Ms. Laura's Class

Dear Parents,

Thank you to all the parents that attended Back to School Night. I would also like to thank all the families who fundraised, donated snacks, and volunteered at our Annual Jog-A-Thon. Both events were a great success! If you haven't yet joined our Remind group or downloaded the app please do so by texting 81010 with the message @3ah8gh.

Through the Remind app you get the latest updates on what's happening in the Pre-K classes. It also allows you to communicate with each of the Pre-K teachers.

Fall is officially here! This is my favorite time of the year. This month we have a lot of exciting activities planned. In the Pre-K classes we will be discussing community helpers. During the month we will be taking a walk to the local Post office, Library, or Firehouse. Dates and times will be announced.

On October 18 at 10:18 am our schools will be participating in the California Shakeout. In class we will be discussing "Stop, Drop, and Hold" and where we go in the event of an earthquake. At home talk to children about emergency procedures for your home.

with weapons are not permitted. Also that evening we will be having our 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat. If you are interested in decorating your trunk or volunteering please contact the pre-school office.

God Bless, Ms. Laura

### Math concepts that we will be covering this month:

**Themes:** Fire Safety, Community Helpers, Pumpkins  
**Colors:** red, yellow, brown, orange, and black  
**Numbers:** 5, 6, 7, 8  
**Pattern:** ABC (example: circle, square, triangle)  
**Shape:** Triangle  
**Measurement:** More and Less

## Ms. Andrea's Class

Hello, Everyone!

We had a very busy and productive month of September! It was nice to see happy faces on the first day of pre-k. The transition went pretty smooth and the children are adjusting to new schedules and new teachers. If you were not able to attend Back to School Night one of the topics we discussed is arriving before 9 am so that your child can transition to the other pre-k classes smoothly and not miss any of the activities. I enjoyed seeing everyone at Back to School Night. Please feel free to text me on my cell or REMIND if you have any questions or concerns. I have read all of your notes from Back to School and I will do my best to cover all topics suggested. In September we started counting to "100 Days of School." When we reach 100 we will ask you to bring in 100 items or if you like to make things, glue 100 items on a wearable item like a t-shirt or hat. Myself and the other pre-k teachers would love to see 100% participation on the 100th day of school! My

class has also started drawing and writing their names twice a week in their journals. The children have drawn circles, apples, numbers 1 and 2 and letters C,O&G. By the end of the year you should see an improvement in your child's small motor skills. We have also been reading about Apples. We made apple boats by cutting an apple in half and added a sail using construction paper (colors of the month, red, yellow, green) and a toothpick. Some of the apples were sliced thin so the children could see how some of the apples floated and some sank. We talked about why some floated and some sank. The children were so excited to watch their apple become an "appleboat." It was fun to hear that some of the children went home and told their parents to try sinking and floating at home. At Back to School Night I discussed the importance of developing small motor skills. In September the pre-k classes have been ripping and tearing and gluing paper to represent apple trees and to fill in an apple

shape. One of the stories I read in September was 10 Apples Up On Top. After I read the story the children drew pictures of themselves and then drew any number of apples on top of their heads.

This month we will be creating sculptures with toothpicks, candy pumpkins and candy corn. I will take pictures of your child's work and send it to you. The pre-k classes will also be making pumpkins in a bottle. Please make sure your child has an empty plastic voss bottle. (16.9 oz. works best), ground coffee, and candy pumpkins. I will use any extra coffee grounds and pumpkins to make a sensory bin in my class. Yes, your child will get messy but that's part of being a kid. I love messy projects! Please make sure your child comes to school ready to play and get messy!! October also brings us the theme "community helpers." We will be talking about different jobs that people have and why they are important to our community. We will be focusing on Fire Safety, Pumpkins and Halloween. For fire

safety the children will be learning about the emergency number "911" and what to do in case of a fire. Please have your child bring in a fake pumpkin. We will be decorating our classroom and the pumpkins and I will also have a real pumpkin to carve. Your child's pumpkin can be brought in as early as the beginning of the first week of October .

The Halloween Party and Parade will be on Wednesday October 31st. Please have your child here by 9 am so that we can have story time before we head out to our parade. The parade usually begins at around 10 am. Followed by classroom parties. I will post a sign-up sheet for donations of food, etc.. for the party. Thank you for all the donations of cleaning supplies and art materials.

Love, Ms. Andrea

Please add yourself to the REMIND app if you have not done so.



## **Parking:**

Please park only in the lined spaces in the Preschool's driveway or in appropriate spots on the street. Please do not block the entrance or exit of the driveway. Please do not park in the parking spaces of the residents that share our driveway or in driveways of our neighbors up and down the street. You may park in the staff parking lot **after 4:00 p.m.** if there is no room in the driveway or on the street (**no parent parking in the morning**). Also, remember that we have limited parking spaces, so in and out as quickly as possible. Everyone needs to do their part to help ease the parking frustrations. Thank you!!!



## Ms. Natalie's Class

Hello Parents!

October is here and we are about to have a Spooktacular month!!! We will be learning about the various community workers and how they greatly contribute to our communities. We will discuss the importance of fire safety and procedures we follow in case of a fire. We will make arts & crafts to go with these themes. We will also talk about pumpkins and Halloween. Lots of Halloween crafts to come, including a Halloween inspired sensory table. We will be working on the letters A,

S, D, & L, and the numbers 5,6,7 & 8. We will be incorporating the theme of the week with each letter and number. We are working on the sounds the letters make, the number value & recognition. I highly encourage you to count at home with your child to help support our lesson plans. Our shape of the month is the triangle. We will be practicing using our scissors while cutting out triangle shapes and creating a craft in class. We will also have various triangle art pieces to work on in class. We just started our fall season, so for

our science project this month we will be doing crystal fall leaves using pipe cleaners. We will discuss how and why our fall leaf pipe cleaners crystalize. Our colors this month are red, yellow, brown, orange, & black. You will see us incorporate these colors in almost all of our class work and art. Our Halloween party is on Wednesday, October 31st. In the morning we will play Halloween games and attend the Halloween costume parade. We will start our party right after. More to come on the REMIND app. I can hardly wait to get

this month going. Happy October everyone!!!

Ms. Natalie

### Wish List:

Themed/Holiday Stickers  
Tissue boxes  
Clorox Wipes  
Lysol Spray  
Coloring Books  
Recycled Paper/Office Paper  
Sharpies (black)



## Ms. Jeanetta's Class

Fall Season is Here! Another season of changes, weather changes, leaves changing colors.

Dear Parents,

I would like to thank everyone who attended Back-To-School Night. Also, thanks to all the parents who donated towards the classroom wish list and the Jog-A-Thon.

### October's Curriculum:

Themes: Community Helpers, Fire Safety, Pumpkins, Halloween  
Letters: D, E, F

Numbers: 4, 5  
Colors: Orange, Black  
Season: Fall  
Opposite: Empty/Full  
Shape: Square  
Bible Concept: God Loves Me and Always Helps Me

### Fall Activities:

Art: Brush painting using fall colors, making a fall tree out of construction paper and gluing leaves, making a paper plate wreath, sponge painting pumpkins, cutting out square shapes, cutting straight lines, tracing.

Science: Mixing colors red and yellow to make orange.

Cooking: Making a number snack activity using graham crackers, hazelnut spread, and dried cranberries.

Music: Practice songs for Christian Education Sunday on October 14th. Sing nursery rhymes, have story time, and fingerplays using puppets.

Religion: Morning prayer, Bible stories, and art activities, Chapel on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.  
Class Discussion: Safety!

We will practice the procedures for an earthquake drill and a fire drill.

There will be a sign up list on top of the cubbies for party items for our classroom Halloween party. We will also have a parade on the 31st. Parents are welcome to come. Halloween costumes must be fun and friendly. Scary costumes and weapons not permitted.

Ms. Jeanetta



## Ms. Bianca's/Jenny's Class

Autumn, the season that teaches us that change can be beautiful.

Hello parents/guardians, we want to start off by saying that September was a good month for us. We were able to get acquainted with our new group of children. We are excited for this year, and can't wait for all of our fun projects and activities that we have planned. One of the main themes of September was I'm Me Fantastic, therefore; we got to know a bit about the children. We will definitely continue to learn more about their personalities throughout the year. The children worked on several crafts that helped with their learning and recognition of letters A, B, and C as well as numbers 1, 2, and 3. The children

worked on gluing, cutting with scissors, tracing, and many more activities that help develop their fine motor skills. We mentioned at back to school night to please let the children cut with scissors at home while being supervised, in order to have more practice. Aside from letters and numbers the children worked with recognition of the circle shape. The colors we worked with were red and yellow. We also had the children mix the two colors together, and they learned that both colors mixed together make the color orange! During our circle time the children reviewed numbers, days of the week, the alphabet, colors, shapes, opposites, their 5 senses and we sang many songs. One of the songs we focused on this month was "Fixin my eyes on You" from the album Compass Kids. We prayed daily and read our children's bible. This month

the children learned about what God created and they were fascinated with their discovery. Parents, please check out our parent board in our classroom. Our curriculum is listed there and you can see what the children will be focusing on and learning for this month. October 8th and 9th are our picture days. You will be informed by the office which of the two days will be the day for our class to take pictures. Please save the date for October 14th as the children will be singing at 9:30 at our church for Christian Education Sunday we expect to see our students participate. October 31, will be our Halloween party and parade we hope all of our children participate in dressing up for the occasion. We will have our party sign up list out soon so please be on the look out for it!

We want to say thank you for the donations that were given for the jog-a-thon as well as for the donations to our classroom. We still need more parents to participate and sign up for our wish list! In order to help the children stay germ free. We are still in need of Clorox wipes, and we also need baby wipes for their potty time. Please remember that the weather is changing and some days may be colder than others. We would like for the children to feel comfortable while playing outside so please bring appropriate clothing depending on the weather. Don't forget to always label sweaters with their names just in case your child has the same sweater as another friend in the same or different classroom.

May you all have a wonderful month!  
Ms. Bianca and Ms. Jenny



## Ms. Griselda's & Nina's Class

Dear Parents,

Fall is officially here! A season where weather changes, leaves change color and fall off. Thank you to everyone who attended Back-To-School Night and to all the parents who donated and participated in our jog-a-thon. Please be aware of the monthly calendar as we have many activities coming up. Our class Halloween Party will be on Wednesday, October 31st. There will be a sign up sheet to bring items. Please have your child dressed in his/her costume. No scary costumes or weapons.

This month we will be working on the letters D, E, & F, number 2, the opposites empty and full, the square shape, the color

orange, and Fall season. Our themes for October: Community Helpers, Pumpkins and Halloween. Our Bible Concept is God Loves Me and Always Helps Me.

Please have a change of clothes in your child's cubby and be sure your child's name is on all their belongings. Make sure to sign your child in/out everyday. Check your child's cubby daily for notices and art work.

God Bless,  
Ms. Griselda  
Ms. Nina



## Ms. Annie's Class

Wow!!! How time flies. Fall is here and with it falling leaves and color changes. Not so much weather changes yet but it's coming. Takes a little longer in Southern California. So far your little ones are adjusting to the new school year quite well and things are flowing along. A big thank you to everyone for making our jog-a-thon successful. We had an awesome time. As you are all aware we are practicing our song for Christian Education Sunday, which is on Sunday, October 14th at 9:30 am. I expect to see all my little ones there as we have been working very hard to learn the song we will be singing that day. Fall Pictures are on Monday, October 8 and Tuesday, October 9th. Please check the scheduled date on the poster at the front gate of the preschool for your child's classroom. Our Halloween Party and Parade is on Wednesday, October 31. A Party Sign-Up Sheet will be posted in our classroom a week prior. Please remember that scary

costumes and weapons are not permitted. Please remember to check your child's cubby daily. Please provide a sippy cup for water. Also, if you are sending food that requires a spoon you must provide a spoon. It's starting to cool down so make sure your child has a light jacket or sweater. Remember that morning snack ends at 9 am. Thank you to everyone who donated items from the monthly wish list. It's greatly appreciated and very helpful in keeping our room clean and germ free. With that being said, please remember if your child is sick or sent home with a fever they must be 24 hours symptom free or excused by a doctor before returning to school.

God Bless, Ms. Annie

### Themes for October:

Community Helpers,  
Pumpkins & Halloween  
Number 2  
Color Orange  
Season Fall  
Opposites Empty/Full  
Shape Square  
Bible Concept: Go Loves Me and Always Helps Me

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## Sunday Church Services

9:30 am

Trinity Lutheran Church

4783 W. 130th Street

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## Infant Room

Hello Parents,

A great big thanks to the parents that were able to join us on Back to School Night and to the parents who helped fund-raise and joined us for our jog-a-thon. It was so much fun watching the kids participate. With the weather changing please make sure that your child has a jacket or sweater for out-

side play. We also would appreciate it if you would label your child's shoes and all belongings. Please bring in family picture for our Family Wall. Please remember to check and change your little one's diaper and document at drop off time. Remember to write approximate pick up time on sign-in/out sheet.

God Bless, Infant Staff

### This month we will focus on:

Theme: Community Helpers, Pumpkins

Number: 2

Color: Orange

Season: Fall

Opposites: Empty/Full

Shape: Square

Bible Concept: God

Loves Me and Always

Helps Me



This event is open to everyone! Please spread the word and invite your friends and family to come join us for an evening of fun, games, and treats!



When: Wednesday,  
October 31  
4:00-6:00 p.m.

Where: Trinity Lutheran  
School Playground