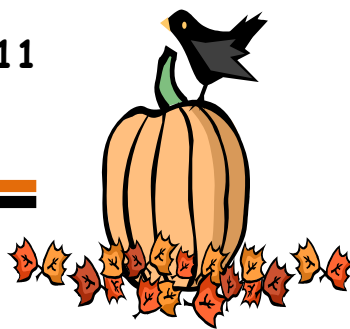


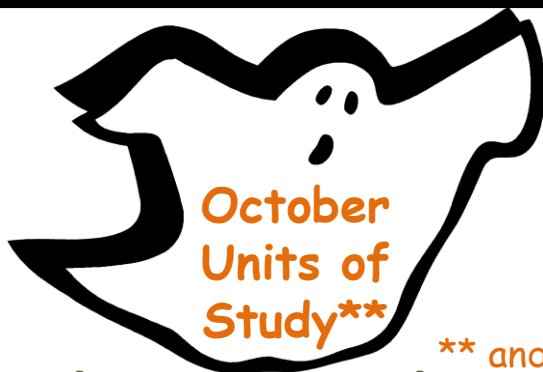


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BROOKSIDE BULLETIN

October 2016



October
Units of
Study**



October 3 through 14 --
 Fire Safety and
 Signs of Autumn
 October 17 through 27 --
 Signs of Autumn
 and Halloween



** and Show and Tell Topics



Dates to Remember in October

Wednesday, October 5

Vision Screening @ Brookside

As a courtesy to our families, we will offer optional vision screening services at the school.

Friday, October 7

Teacher In-Service Day

No school today.

Monday, October 10

Columbus Day Holiday

No school today.

Wednesday, October 12

Lower Allen Fire Company Visit

Members of the company will visit the school to talk to the children about fire prevention and fire safety, arriving at the school at 9:00am.

Wednesday, October 26

Field Trip to Paulus' Orchard in Dillsburg

Departure time for ALL CHILDREN 8:30am.

Please NOTE: We MUST depart for the orchard promptly at 8:30am. School doors will open at 8:15am. All drivers should be there at 8:15am. Parents that can't be there by 8:30am may meet us at the orchard, please notify the staff. **All drivers are required to stay at the orchard.** We will be back at the school in time for the 11:30am dismissal. Parents that would like to pick apples and pumpkins with the children need to pay Miss Curley in advance.

More Dates to Remember in October



Thursday, October 27

Brookside Annual Halloween Parade and Party

We will operate on a modified schedule today. All students attend 10:30am – 12:30am

See additional details on last page.

Friday, October 28

Teacher In-Service Day

No school today.



IMPORTANT Announcements and Reminders

Blogging with Brookside

Miss Curley's topic of the month for October is "**Nurturing the Authentic Child**", which focuses on the necessary cooperation between parents and teachers to ensure a child's development and success. Please take some time to read Miss Curley's message on the blog at brooksidemontessori.com.

Request for Cooperation

Parents, Please be respectful of children working in the Montessori classroom during drop-off and pick-up times. If we are working when you arrive, please wait quietly in the cubby area until your child is settled in/dismissed. Parents with younger siblings should always keep your child in your care and not allow them to roam the classroom disturbing the children or the Montessori materials. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us to maintain order and attention in the classroom.

PARKING

We recognize that parking in the school parking lot is sometimes an issue. To help to alleviate the overcrowded conditions, please drop your child off and exit the parking lot as soon as possible in order to make room for those arriving after you; and please park only in designated parking spots. The parking spaces to the RIGHT of the school building are staff parking and handicapped parking. Please DO NOT use the Handicapped Space if you do not have a Handicapped parking permit. Also, please refrain from parking in front of the house directly across the street from the school, as this is not our property. Thank you for your attention to these matters. **ALWAYS REMEMBER TO ENTER AND EXIT OUR PARKING LOT AT A SAFE SPEED AND FOLLOWING DIRECTIONAL ARROWS.**

SHOW AND TELL

Show and Tell will be held on **THURSDAYS** for 3-day students and all kindergarten students, and on **FRIDAYS** for 5-day students. We request that the children **DO NOT bring TOYS** in for Show and Tell. We will not show toys for Show and Tell.

MAILBOXES

Please check the "Parent's Mailboxes," which are located in the school vestibule, to be sure that you get all correspondence from the school.

More IMPORTANT Announcements and Reminders

BULLETIN BOARD

Please check the Bulletin Board above the student cubbies for information about field trips, sign-up sheets, special events, etc. Sign-up sheets for October activities will be posted on Tuesday, October 4.

LABEL PLEASE

Now that cooler weather has arrived, please make sure that ALL outerwear as well as slippers, lunchboxes, backpacks, etc. are clearly labeled with your child's name.

LATE FEE

We are strictly enforcing dismissal times. A **\$10.00 "Late Fee"** will be charged for late pick-ups, with an additional \$1.00 per minute after the first 15 minutes. Please set your watches to our school clocks. If you have an emergency, please call to let us know that you will be late. The late fee is due immediately or it will be added to the following month's tuition.

OCTOBER TUITION PAYMENT

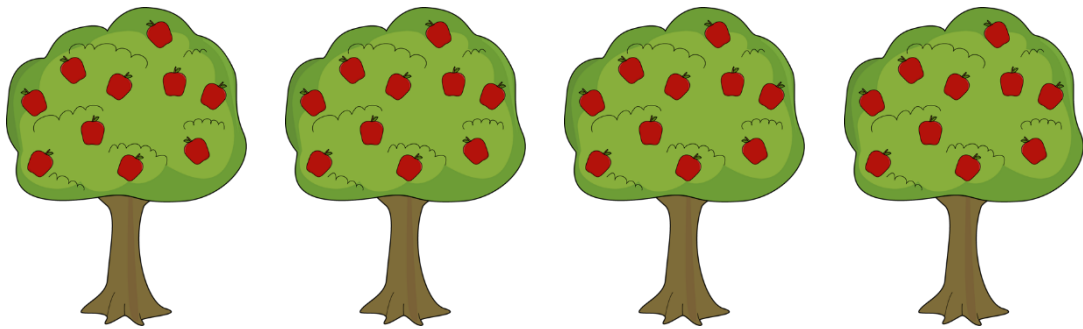
Tuition payment #3 is due on or before **October 10**.

IMPORTANT REMINDER OF BROOKSIDE POLICIES

Brookside has a strict "hands on our own bodies policy" that must be followed by all children. This policy helps us to avoid many injuries and the spread of germs related to illnesses. As we enter the flu season, your help in instructing your child appropriately at home and re-enforcing this policy at pick up and drop off times is greatly appreciated.

LUNCH HELP

As you may know, we have many children staying for lunch at Brookside each day. With the large number of students who are "Lunch Bunchers," we are continuing to ask parents and grandparents **who have their clearances** if they might be able to volunteer their time between 11:30 A.M. and 12:30 PM one day a week, or even one day a month to help us during the very busy lunch time. Some of our parents have been faithful volunteers in past years and we are VERY appreciative. If you would be willing to join these parents by volunteering, the teachers will be eternally indebted to you. Even if your child is not usually a "Lunch Buncher," your child can stay for lunch (be a "Lunch Buncher for the day") on the day(s) that you are volunteering. We could use one or two parent/helpers on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board. Thank you.



More IMPORTANT Announcements and Reminders

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HALLOWEEN PARADE AND PARTY

- The Halloween Parade and Party will be on Thursday, October 27, 2016 from **10:30 am to 12:30 pm AT THE SCHOOL.**
- ALL CHILDREN (A.M., Full Day, and Kindergarten) attend school ONLY during the hours of 10:30 A.M. until 12:30 P.M. on this day.
- Children should come to school dressed in their costumes. ***Please remember our "Peaceful Classroom" policy when dressing your child for the holiday.***
- For safety reasons, we ask that children **NOT wear masks.**
- In order to avoid overcrowding in the school building, please drop off your child AT 10:30 A.M. and then wait outside for the parade to begin.
- At 10:50 am., the children will exit the school to parade in streets adjacent to the school.
- Immediately following the parade, children will come inside for a pizza lunch and art project.
- ***** Only parents who have signed up to help at the party may come into the school after the parade. We MUST have clearance forms on file for parents who wish to sign up to help!! *****
- There will be sign-up sheets on the bulletin board for party helpers and party supplies.
- The children will "trick or treat" at the school the day of the party. Parents that would like to bring treats for the children should bring enough for 30 children.
- School closes at 12:30pm. **All children should be picked up BY 12:30 pm.**

Trick or Treat

