

KEEP IN TOUCH

Early Childhood Learning Center PARENT NEWSLETTER – October 2024



PRINCIPAL NEWS – Mrs. Beck

October will be filled with lots of fun activities. We will wrap up the Book Blast on October 4th. Thank you for supporting Title I and PTG with getting our students books for home. The teachers have two professional days on October 4th and 7th so there will be no school for students those days. Fall classroom parties will occur on October 31st.

Our big October event is Fall Festival. This will occur on October 17th from 6-7:30 p.m. There will be lots of activities for the kids to participate in; learning games, crafts, stories, fall games, prizes, and more. Please come and join in the fall spirit. Students may wear their Halloween costumes if they'd like, but it is not required. This is a come and go event. Please enter through the front door and exit through the gym.

PTG

The October meeting for PTG will be held on October 2nd at 8:15 am in the school library. We will discuss the Fall Festival, elect officers, and what is coming in the next few months.



SAFETY DRILL

Safety at the ECLC is of the utmost importance to all of us. Therefore, this month we will conduct our inside safety drill. It is important to practice for all kinds of situations that have the possibility of happening. Better to be prepared! We will practice on October 23rd.

END OF DAY DISMISSAL – No Remind App

Please make sure to send a note or call the office if your child is doing something different at the end of the school day for dismissal. Teachers do not always have the opportunity to check their Remind app before students dismiss each day. This will not be a method that we use for dismissal notifications/changes. Thank you for understanding.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER – Mrs. Nichols

Happy Fall! Each month I will visit the classrooms to teach a social-emotional lesson. For the month of October, the lesson will be an introduction to the school counselor and the ways that school counselors help students. To assist with my goal of getting to know all of our ECLC students as much as possible, I will be holding a "LUNCH BUNCH" group for Kindergarten. On a Lunch Bunch Day, I will give out 5 necklaces that serve as a pass to come and eat with me. Every Kindergarten student will receive a pass to participate throughout the school year. As a reminder, I am available to work with students and families to help with any needs. Feel free to call with any questions or with requests for assistance.





HEALTH ROOM HAPPENINGS: FALL IS IN THE AIR!

- The Mobile Dentist will be at the ECLC on October 28th. If you want your student to be seen, please return the permission slip ASAP. If you are interested in the program, please call the school and ask to speak to the nurse.
- Flu season will be here before we know it so please speak to your child's doctor about flu shots. Influenza can be dangerous for

children. It is important to discuss this with your health care provider.

- The nurses are busy administering vision, hearing, and growth screenings for all of our students. This is a requirement by Pennsylvania school code. If your student does not pass a screening, you will be notified. If you have any questions about the screenings, please contact the nurse.
- Accidents happen! A lot. Especially with our little ones. Please keep an extra set of clothes in your student's backpack for accidents or spills. We have a limited supply in the health office so this really helps us out.

MUSIC NOTES – Miss H

The students have been doing awesome in the music room! We have already learned so many things! The Kindergarten students have been learning about fast and slow, steady beat, and many other musical ideas. They have been able to play egg shakers, rhythm sticks, bells, and sound shapes. We will continue to learn about and play new instruments, as well as work on new musical concepts throughout October. We will work on some seasonal songs for fall. The Prekindergarten students have also played some instruments and started vocal exploration for making musical sounds. They even got to sing a song in Spanish! The Prekindergarten students will try some yoga this month to control our bodies and calm our brains. All of the students got to see the marching band on September 20th to celebrate Homecoming! If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. =)



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

October 4 & 7	Teacher In-service NO SCHOOL
October 4	Book Blast Ends
October 11	PreK Blue Day
October 17	Fall Festival from 6-7:30 pm
October 23	Safety Practice Drill
October 31	Fall Parties at School



ATTENDANCE POLICY

Please read this carefully and call if you have any questions.

A parent excuse is accepted for any day absent up to the total of ten (10). A doctor's excuse will be accepted for any absence during the year and is counted in the first ten (10) parental excuse days. Following the accumulation of ten (10) parent excuses, parents will receive a written notice/letter advising them of the accumulation of ten days absences, and that the district will require a doctor's excuse for each day's absence from the time of the notice until the end of the year. **Please note: Vacation days are counted in the ten parental excuses.** Finally, if the school does not receive an excuse within three days of an absence, the absence will be recorded as an unlawful. Parents are allowed up to three (3) unlawful absences. Letters will be sent to keep you posted of any unlawful days.



SCHOOL HOURS

The building opens for students at 7:30 a.m. To be to school on time, students should be in their classrooms by 8:15 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. for PM Prekindergarten students. Students are dismissed at 2:50 p.m. for walkers/parent pick-up for Kindergarten and 2:45 pm for Prekindergarten.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

October 6-12 is fire prevention week. *This is a good time to check the batteries in your smoke detectors and review your emergency plan with your family.*





Mrs. Beck Principal

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 PTG Meeting 8:15 a.m.	3	4 Professional Day No School for Students Book Blast— Last Day!	5
	6	7 Act 80 Day No School for Students	8	9	10	11 PreKindergarten— Blue Day
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