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Early Childhood Learning Center
PARENT NEWSLETTER – October 2023



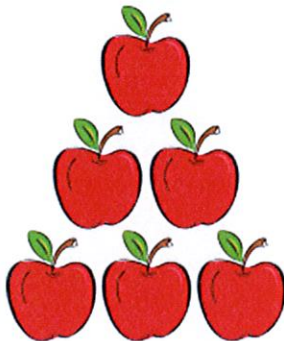
PRINCIPAL NEWS – Mrs. Beck

October will be filled with lots of fun activities. We will wrap up the Book Blast on October 5th. Thank you for supporting Title I and PTG with getting our students books for home. The teachers have a professional day on October 6th so there will be no school for students that day. We will have Spirit Week the week of October 9-13. Look on the attached calendar for our spirit wear days. Homecoming is on October 13th and Brown and Gold Day. The students will get to participate in activities all day centered around Homecoming. Fall classroom parties will occur on October 27th.

Our big October event is Fall Festival. This will occur on October 19th from 6-7:30 p.m. in the school gym. There will be lots of activities for the kids to participate in; crafts, stories, games, snacks, 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 on the Kerr Street gymnasium side of the building.

PTG

The October meeting for PTG will be held on October 4th at 8:15 am in the school library. We will discuss the Fall Festival and begin planning what the festival will look like. If you'd like to help with this activity, we always welcome more hands.



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 25th.

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 help 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 K5. In the mornings on Lunch

Bunch Day, I will give out 4-6 necklaces that serve as a pass to come and eat with me. Every K5 student will receive a pass to participate throughout the school year.

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.



MUSIC NOTES – Miss H

The students have been doing awesome in the music room! We have already learned so many things! The K5 students have been busy learning about fast and slow, steady beat, and many other musical ideas. They have been able to play egg shakers, rhythm sticks, bells, and hand drums. 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 and a few special songs for Halloween. The K4 students have also played some instruments and started vocal exploration for making musical sounds. The K4 students will try some yoga this month to control our bodies and calm our brains. All of the students will get to see the marching band on October 13th to celebrate Homecoming! If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. =)

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.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER



October 6	Teacher In-service NO SCHOOL
October 9-13	Spirit Week for Homecoming
October 12	K4 Blue Day
October 19	Fall Festival in Gym from 6-7:30 pm
October 27	Fall Parties at School



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 K4 students. Students are dismissed at 2:50 p.m. for walkers/parent pick-up.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

October 8-14 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.





OCTOBER NEWS



NOTES FROM THE NURSE

SAY BOO! TO THE FLU!

- The CDC advises everyone over the age of 6 months receive a flu shot in October or November. Talk to your doctor.
- Remind your child to wash hands frequently
- Please keep your student home for a fever >100.4 degrees, vomiting or diarrhea

HAND WASHING

1. Wet hands with warm water and add soap
2. Scrub hands, wrists, between fingers and under nails for 20 seconds (sing happy birthday 2 times!)
3. Rinse with warm water
4. Dry with clean towel

SCREENINGS

We have started health screenings, vision, hearing, and growth in the elementary schools. You will be notified if your child does not pass the screening.

MEDICATIONS

Please do not send medications to school, including cough drops, in your student's backpack

COLDER WEATHER

We still go outside for recess in cooler weather so please send your child with a jacket or sweatshirt.

CLOTHING

Please send extra clothes in your child's backpack. Our supply is limited!




Mrs. Beck Principal

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 PTG Meeting 8:15 a.m.	5 Last Day of Book Blast Fundraiser	6 Professional Day No School for Students	7
8 Spirit Week! —————→	9 Wear Your PJ's / Sweatshirt and Sweatpants!	10 Wear a Character Shirt!	11 "Pink Out Day" Wear Pink! 	12 Color Wars! K4- Wear Blue K5- Wear Red	13 Wear Brown and Gold! Homecoming	14
15	16	17	18	19 Fall Festival 6-7:30pm	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 Fall Parties	28
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