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October Themes

A House Just Right For Me

The children will learn there are different types of homes, what they have in their home. Some families have pets in their home.



Some animals or insects build their own homes such as bees, mice, birds and monkeys.

The earth is the home to people, plants, insects and animals.



2007

- * Oct. 8th Columbus Day
- * Nov. 12th Veteran's Day
- * Nov. 21st-23rd
- * Dec. 24th-31st

2008

- * Jan. 1st New Years Day
- * Jan. 21st MLK Jr. Day
- * Feb. 18th President's Day
- * Mar. 24th-28th
- * May 23rd & 26th Memorial Weekend
- * July

I'm Not Afraid

October can be a scary time for children. They may be afraid of the dark, spiders, bats, skeletons, ghosts, monsters, haunted house or things that are imaginary.



Children need to know their feelings are validated and that it is okay to feel the way they do.

Children also need to know it safe to express their feelings

October 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Schedule of Events

- * Oct. 8th Columbus Day
- * Oct. 26th Spider Web/Halloween Hunt
- * Oct. 31st Halloween



Birthdays



1st	Emilie	7 years old
9th	Savannah	10 years old



Spider Web and Halloween Hunt

We are having our Halloween party on Friday October 26th. We will dress up in our pajamas for the day. The toddlers and preschoolers will create a pumpkin mask, lace a pumpkin and carve a pumpkin. When the school children return at 4:00 we will have some pumpkin cookies and milk and begin to build our giant outside spider web. Once the children create the spider web, bags of candy will be thrown out into the web. The children will pretend to be spiders and climb through the web to gather the candy. The children look forward to this every year. Parents are welcome to join in the fun!!

We are having Halloween treats on Halloween, you are welcome to send your child's costume this day.

October Songs, Finger Plays, Poems

I'm Not Afraid of the Dark

Tune: The Farmer in the Dell

I'm not afraid of the dark.

I'm not afraid of the dark.

Nothing is going to scare me.

I'm not afraid of the dark!!

Five Little Pumpkins

Five little pumpkins sitting on the gate (Hold up 5 fingers)

The first one said (Hold up 1 finger)

"Oh my, it's getting late." (Pretend to look at watch)

The second one said (Hold up 2 fingers)

"There is a chill in the air." (Give self a hug and shiver)

The third one said (Hold up 3 fingers)

"But I don't care" (Shake head as if saying no!)

The fourth one said (Hold up 4 fingers)

"I'm ready for some fun!" (Rub hands together)

The fifth one said (Hold up 5 fingers)

"Let's run and run and run!!" (Run in place)

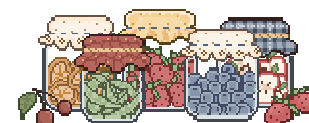
"Wooooo" went the wind (Cup hands around mouth)

And out went the lights (Clap hands together on the word out)

And the five little pumpkins rolled out of sight (Make fists & roll them around)



Recipes



Bake Potato Soup

8 medium baking potatoes	1 medium onion	1 cup sour cream
2/3 cup butter	1 garlic cloved minced	14 slices cooked bacon
2/3 cup flour		2 cups shredded cheddar & Monterey Jack cheese
7 1/2 cups milk		

Heat oven to 350 degrees and bake potatoes until fork tender which is about 1 hour.

Cook bacon and set aside.

Sauté onions and garlic together. Blend in a blender to make smooth.

Melt butter in a large pan. Slowly blend in flour with a wire whisk until thoroughly blended. Should be a golden color.

Gradually add milk to the mix whisking constantly.

Cut the potatoes in half and remove potato peelings. Cut the potatoes into bite size pieces and add to the milk mixture. Add onions and garlic.

Whisk well, add sour cream, crumbled bacon and cheese. Stir until cheese is melted.

Enjoy!!!!

Kids are Special!!!

School Calendar

October

4th-5th October Days No School

15th to Nov. 1st Track A Break

18th & 19th No School Track C

November

2nd Staff Development No School

21st Early Release

22nd & 23rd Thanksgiving Break

December

21st - Early Release

24th to Jan. 4th Winter Break

January

1st - 4th Winter Break

7th - 25th Track C Break

18th - Staff Development No School

21st - MLK Jr. No School

Excuse This House

Some houses try to hide the fact that
children shelter there.

Ours boasts of it quite openly,
The signs are everywhere...

For smears are on the windows
Little smudges on the doors;
I should apologize, I guess for toys
strewn on the floor.

But I sat down with the children
And we played and laughed and read;
And if the doorbell doesn't shine,
Their eyes will shine instead.

For when at times I'm forced to choose
The one job or the other...

I want to have a tidy house,
But first I'll be a mother.

-author unknown

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November Themes

Let's Go! Go! Go!



Shapes



Letters

Z for



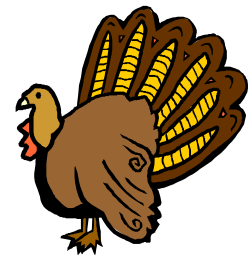
G for



T for



Countdown to Thanksgiving



Colors

Brown

Orange

