



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Weekly Themes
- School Pictures
- Important Information
- Candy Fundraiser
- Back To School Night
- Halloween Party
- October Calendar
- Changes we've made and what is to come.



PLAY 'N' LEARN STAFF

Administration

Mrs. Tammy & Mr. Marc
Mrs. Dona Deepthi
Director

Toddler Teacher

Ms. Lupe

Preschool Teacher

Ms. Coco
Ms. Katasha

Pre-Kindergarten Teacher

Ms. Lyka

Jr. Kindergarten

Ms. Shubhda

Kindergarten

Ms. Shak

Fall has arrived!

October is always an exciting month for Play 'N' Learn. We hope you're ready for some fun-filled Fall Activities! It's time to decide, what to wear for picture day and who are you and your child going to dress up as this year? We can't wait for our super fun *Halloween Party*!



WEEKLY THEMES:

- Oct. 1 - 5 *Me and My Family*
- Oct. 8 - 12 *Fire Safety*
- Oct. 15 - 19 *Minding Our Manners*
- Oct. 22 - 26 *Halloween*
- Oct. 29 - 31 *Creative Week*



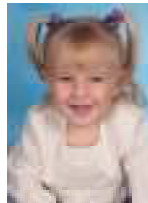
We will start taking pictures at 9:00am. ***Please have your child at school by 9:00*** on his/her scheduled picture day. ALL Sibling pictures will be taken on Tuesday, October 30th. If you would like your child to take a picture with a sibling that does not attend Play 'N' Learn, please let Ms. Deepthi know in advance and arrive on your child's scheduled day

Monday, Oct. 29th

Toddlers - Ms. Lupe

Preschool - Ms. Coco

Pre- Kindergarten - Ms. Lyka



Tuesday, Oct. 30th

Jr. Kindergarten - Ms. Shubhda

Kindergarten - Ms. Shak

& All Sibling Photos

SIBLING PHOTOS - If you would like your children to take pictures together, they will be done on Tuesday only. Your child will not take pictures on their class's scheduled date if they are taking sibling photos

Important Parent Notices

- **Extra Clothes** - Please double check your child's cubby to be sure he/she has an extra change of clothes.
- **Sign-In & Out** - Please sign your child in and out everyday using your full first and last name.
- **Blankets** - Please remember to take home your child's blankets each Friday, wash them, *and then bring them back in a labeled plastic bag each Monday*.
- **Lunches** - Due to the enrollment of so many new students, we are asking that parents please send lunches that do not need to be heated. We will be removing the micro-waves from the classrooms in mid-October.
- **Jackets** - We have been finding several jackets left around the school with no names on them. Please be sure to LABEL your child's jackets and sweaters.
- Please help us fundraise by turning in your **BOX TOPS** to the office.
- Just a reminder, if any parents have questions or would like to meet with our administration, feel free to email Marc or Tammy at: Marc@playnlearnpreschool.com or Tammy@playnlearnpreschool.com.



Back To School Night

Wednesday, October 10th at 6:30pm

Mark your calendars **NOW** for our **Back To School Night!**



Our Back to School Night is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher and some of their classmates. You will have a chance to ask questions and discover how your child is adjusting to his/her new class. Refreshments will be provided. Our administration will also be there to have any questions answered.

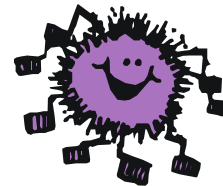


Halloween Party

We are all so excited about our upcoming Halloween Party, everyone is invited to come and join in on the fun. We will need several parent volunteers & party donations in order to make our Halloween Party "Spooktacular". If you are interested in helping out, please sign-up in your child's classroom.

Party Information:

Date: Wednesday, October 31st



Time: 2:30pm

Where: Your child's classroom

Please bring your child's costume for Wednesday, October 31st in a **LABELED** bag.
Do not arrive to school in costume.

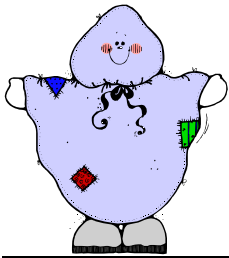
*Please review the Costume Guidelines.
We do enforce these policies the day of the party.*



Costume Guidelines:

1. **No weapons** of ANY kind (plastic swords, guns, etc . . .) will be allowed.
2. No Power Ranger, Ninja or other fighting type character costumes. (Many children feel the need to act out their costume character.) **Spiderman and Batman are o.k.**
3. For the sake of other children, **no scary** costumes such as skeletons, devils, vampires, mummies, etc.
4. Girl's costumes must be modest in appearance.

We are very strict concerning the costume guidelines. If you are unsure whether your child's costume is allowed, please see Ms. Deepthi or email me at: Tammy@playnlearnpreschool.com



OCTOBER

Sun

Mon

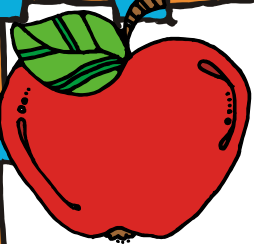
Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

<p><i>Me & My Family</i></p> 	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> 
<p>October 1 - 5 is Jr. Kindergarten and Kindergarten's Fall Break</p>					
<p><i>Fire Safety Week</i></p> 	<p>8</p>  <p><i>Columbus Day</i></p>	<p>9</p> 	<p>10</p> <p>Back To School Night At 6:30</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p><i>Jr. K. & Kinder</i></p> <p>Field Trip</p> <p><i>to the Pumpkin Patch</i> <i>Children must arrive at school by 8:30am</i></p>
<p><i>Minding Our Manners</i></p>	<p>15</p> <p>Jr. Kindergarten & Kindergarten <i>Evaluation Day</i></p>  <p><i>Happy Birthday Ms. Jaya</i></p>	<p>16</p> 	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>End of 1st Quarter</p>
<p><i>Halloween Week</i></p> 	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Kindergarten <i>Parent / Teacher Conferences</i></p>	<p>24</p> <p>Kindergarten <i>Parent / Teacher Conferences</i></p> 	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p><i>Creative Week</i></p> 	<p>29</p> <p>PICTURE DAY <i>Toddlers, Preschool, & Pre. Kindergarten</i> At 9:00</p>	<p>30</p> <p>PICTURE DAY <i>Jr. Kindergarten, Kindergarten & Siblings</i> At 9:00</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Halloween Party at 2:30pm</p> 		



Changes we have made and are planning.

- Our Toddler Room has made tremendous progress and should open sometime in October. We can't wait to show everyone the cool new area our toddlers will have.
- Ms. Lupe's classroom will become our preschool classroom. There, we have added a Dramatic Play/Practical Life area. Dramatic play is an enjoyable area for all the children but often underestimated by parents. Dramatic Play offers a unique method of positively influencing physical, cognitive and psychosocial development. Children can become consumed in an imaginary world of play. This world offers children vast opportunities to learn about themselves, others and the environment in which they live. Both fine and gross motor skills are improved as well as cognitive skills such as problem solving, creative thinking, planning, organizing and language development. Possibly the most important function of dramatic play is the social and emotional development that comes with this area. Children learn to cooperate, share, take turns, and ultimately improve their self esteem.
- We have cleaned up the library areas throughout the school. More age appropriate books have been added. We also added bean bags and soft seating in the rooms which allows the children to sit comfortably and read or be read to. The children have been loving it!
- All our classrooms have more tables and chairs. Now, all the children can enjoy table activities at the same time. We also added new shelves, purchased new jobs and have given each teacher a supply shelf filled with class sets of crayons, markers, glue, scissors etc... everything needed for a completely creative art project.
- The teachers have started writing weekly lesson plans that reflect our weekly themes. The lesson plans are designed to be easy for parents to understand and hopefully talk their children about. On top of the daily lessons, our teachers are conducting morning and afternoon circle times, including our calendar lessons. Circle times allow teachers to introduce new activities and concepts to the entire class at once. Circle times are great opportunities for subjects such as language and music to be taught.
- Our most noticeable changes to date are taking place outside. Most have noticed the outside of the school has been painted our signature RED and WHITE. What was once weeds is now turning into healthy green grass and the children have more room to run their excess energy out with the reduction of some of the fences / gates.
- We have also broken ground on the first new section of our playground. The children have enjoyed watching Mr. Marc digging up the yard with the tractor. You will notice that a large portion of the right side of the yard has been dug out and is currently not in use by the students. This is the future site of our outdoor classroom. Our goal is to take learning to a whole new level and expand instruction beyond the traditional classroom. This area will provide a fun and interactive learning experience for the children. There will be raised garden beds for the children to grow fruits and vegetables, a chicken coop with laying hens and tables to bring indoor lessons, outside.
- We have also purchased an interactive water table to be installed outside that is sure to have the children entertained for hours.

