



# PRESCHOOL

Academy of Christian Education

# NEWSLETTER

# OCTOBER

# 2018

## Welcome

We are excited fall is coming! We have had great fun learning new concepts as well as getting to know our classroom routines and procedures. Our children are AMAZING, and we are delighted to see how well they are adjusting to their new environment. With each day that passes, we expect to see more progress and amazing growth. Thank you for your great support!

We anticipate our second month of preschool to be filled with great opportunities to explore God's creation.

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## Math

This month, we will focus on the math concepts:

- Sorting by category
- Counting to 10
- One to one correspondence
- Shapes: triangle, square, oval
- Ordinal numbers: first, second, third
- Non standard measurement
- Tall, short, big, small
- Pictographs

## Bible

We will learn the following verses this September:

- Psalm 23.1
- Psalm 18:30

We will be learning stories about:

- Isaac
- Joseph
- Hannah
- Samuel
- David the Shepherd

## Science

This month, we will focus on the science concepts:

- Our five senses
- Sounds
- Weather conditions
- Human life cycle

## Social Development

Socially, students are learning about:

- Helping others
- Communication
- Kindness & friendliness
- God made me
- God made me special
- Compassion and self concept
- Thankfulness to God and others
- Cultural diversity
- Family members (Mom, Dad, Siblings and grandparents)
- Caring for animals
- Taking turns

## Upcoming Events

### October 1

All students need to bring a jacket to school everyday starting today

### October 5

Interims go home as needed

### October 8

Columbus Day Holiday - NO SCHOOL

### October 12

Open House, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (for non-registered families)

### October 13

ACE Family Picnic at Algonkian Park, 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

### October 31

Casual Day (students may wear casual clothing, no costumes please)

Parents Schedule Conferences Online

### November 2

Report Cards go home

### November 5 -6

Parent/ Teacher Conferences NO SCHOOL

### November 7

Picture Retake Day

### November 9

Open House, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (for non-registered families)

### November 19 - 23

Thanksgiving Holiday - NO SCHOOL

## STEAM

Kindergarten students had a great time building chairs for Baby Bear's, using tangram blocks to build a castle for Cinderella, and building each of the three little pigs houses to see which could withstand the Wolf's huffing and puffing, along with making parachute's for Jack to escape from the Giant.

Using fairytales, we identified problems, brainstormed ideas, and built and tested different solutions to the problems.

In October we will be building mini hovercrafts, making weight-bearing spider webs, and making David's slingshot pouch.

## Music

*"Where words fail, music speaks."* - Hans Christian Andersen

October is an exciting month in music because students have started to establish the routine of our music schedule and we can dig deeper into concepts that were introduced in September. Students will also be introduced to Christmas Program music in mid-October. While it may seem early, because we only meet once a week, it is necessary!

During the month of October, students will:

- be taught how to echo sing and sing along to songs
- begin to use sticks as classroom instruments
- identify a steady beat
- begin to learn Christmas Program music

## Art

October is *Children in Art Month*. We will learn why parents from long ago would commission artists to paint portraits of their children. We will compare the difference between modern day portrait painting with that of long time ago.

The class will continue to learn and recognize primary and secondary colors. They will do finger painting to explore how mixing primary colors they can get the secondary colors.

## Technology

After getting a start using the mouse last month we are going to continue practicing mouse skills using Reading Eggs. They will need to click, double click, click and drag while learning letter recognition, letter sounds, phonics, blends, and sight words. Junior Kindergarten students will also continue to practice logging in using their own username and password.