

Our first Field Trip is scheduled for October 10th at Indian Acres Tree Farm. 111 Tuckerton Rd Medford, NJ 08055 Phone number (609) 953-0087. A hay ride, pumpkin picking in the patch, a stroll through the hay maze, and visiting the animals will be a great friendship building activities. October is National Pet Wellness Month. Our class is making warming socks for kittens and puppies. Please donate bags of rice and unused tube socks. We take care of animals. Please send in a picture of your pet if you have one.

This month's activities include: "Thank you God"

"My Family" We will look at the people in our family and why we are important. Our story Stand Up And Walk With Jesus by Lena Lane and Chris Saunderson demonstrates how faith can help us every day. We have an Autumn Scavenger Hunt planned looking for colorful leaves, acorns, and pinecones.

"My Friends" Our story, Red Leaf Yellow Leaf by Lois Ehlert encourages us to enjoy the changing colors of Fall. Our song, "Make new Friends", encourages "to keep the old" friends. We will review the colors Orange and Black. Our prewriting practice is lines going up. The shape for October is a Square.

"Helping Hands" We review our Hand washing skills and learn about germs and avoiding them in Health. "Leaves Are Falling" is a wonderful poem with lots of movement and twirling around. Be careful, the leaves are falling on the ground. We'll look at Joseph and his brothers. We will talk about our brothers, sisters, and pets. We'll practice Feeling the Beat with our CATCH program and a tambourine. Science includes examining pumpkins and gourds with our magnifying glass.

"The More We Get Together" We are working on the Flip Trick for putting on our jacket, it is illustrated on the parent board. Scissors are introduced to practice cutting skills. We will also play a great matching game with Jack o' lantern faces! Don't forget our Halloween Party plans. Room parents will be contacting you with sign up lists. I encourage parents to attend our classroom parties or send a relative. We plan to have a Fall Costume Parade! No mask Nothing Scary. Wear your costume to school. We will parade immediately. Parents will come back to the room and change students and take costumes home. More info to follow.

October is filled with changing colors and changing weather please bring a jacket.

We have a visit from the fire truck this month and talk about Community Helpers.

To everything *there is a season*, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: Ecclesiastes 3:1

Mrs. Craft, Mrs. Woltjen, and Mrs. Craney