

MWF 3s - Mrs. Tickner

October Newsletter

September Recap

Our first few weeks of preschool were filled with the excitement of meeting new friends and teachers, practicing our classroom routines, and discovering all of the ways we can play and learn together. The children are getting comfortable more and more each day, and it's fun to see how much progress they have made in only a short time. Some highlights of the month were meeting Teddy the Talking Stick and Wyatt the Weather Bear, measuring the lengths of our hands and feet using snap cubes, getting the hang of walking in a line, playing Pass the Ice Cream, feeding our Shape Monsters, using our giant paint brush to identify colors, apple stamping with paint, playing with our spaghetti sensory bin, working together to clean up the class toys, and participating during circle time. The children are starting to identify their own names on their attendance cards each morning. Thank you to everyone for sending your children to school wearing comfortable clothes...it really makes a huge difference.

Upcoming for October

October begins with the introduction of the alphabet, starting, of course, with the letter A. We will get the children excited about each new letter on Mondays with our Alphabet Box, which will contain items beginning with our letter of the week. We will practice tracing and finding/identifying our letter of the week in lots of fun ways (not just on paper!), such as tracing letters in sand and on our light box, searching for letters around the room and in our sensory bin, and making letters with play dough. We will also practice each letter sound. During October, we will cover letters A, B, C, D, E, and F. This month we will begin collecting any examples of **environmental print** that your child can identify. Please see the handout sent home today for details about this fun activity! *This is completely optional, but if you send anything in, we will add it to our "We Can Read" board in our classroom.*

Friendly Reminders & Important Dates

- Mon 9/29 - School Photos
- Wed 10/8 - Locust Farm Field Trip
- Wed 10/29 - Halloween Parade (right after drop-off). Details to follow.
- **UPCOMING PARENT READERS** (please arrive by 11:35am and come in through the normal pick-up doors): Ali Procacci - Fri 10/3 and Morgan Quinn - Friday 10/17
- Thank you for your patience as we learn all of the moms, dads, grandparents, neighbors, friends, babysitters, and other family members who pick up your children.

Mrs. Tickner and Mrs. Clark