

Good Samaritan Preschool

October 2019 News

Five Little Pumpkin Sitting On a Gate

Five little pumpkins sitting on a gate,  
The first one said,  
"Oh my, it's getting late."  
The second one said,  
"But we don't care."  
The third one said,  
"I see witches in the air."  
The fourth one said,  
"Let's run, and run, and run."  
The fifth one said,  
"Get ready for some fun."  
Then whoosh went the wind,  
And out went the lights,  
And five little pumpkins rolled out of sight.

## Picture Day

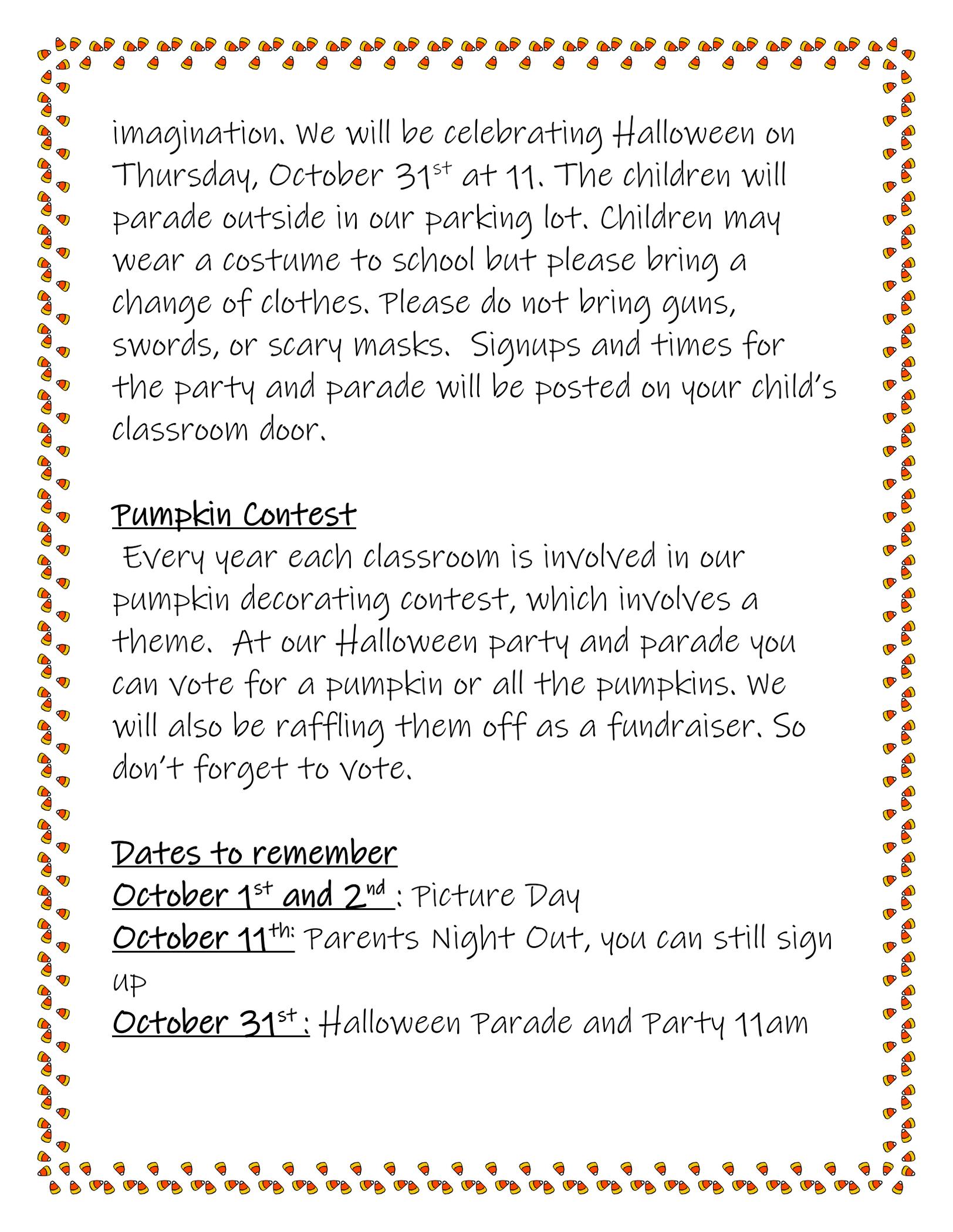
Picture day is today and tomorrow. We will be taking individual and sibling pictures only. Class pictures will be taken in the spring. After picture day you will receive a link to see proofs of your child's picture. You can decide at that time if you would like to order pictures.

## Pumpkin Patch Field Trip

On October 17<sup>th</sup> the Hedgehogs, Alpaca, and the Butterflies are going to Lemos farms in Half Moon Bay on a field trip. The children will enjoy: a train ride, hay maze, pumpkin maze, pony ride, and each child gets to pick out their very own pumpkin. We are asking parents to volunteer to drive and chaperone the children. Without your help the field trip can't happen. There are signup sheets in the classrooms. Thank you!

## Halloween

Halloween is a wonderful time for children; it is one very easy way to let children explore their



imagination. We will be celebrating Halloween on Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 11. The children will parade outside in our parking lot. Children may wear a costume to school but please bring a change of clothes. Please do not bring guns, swords, or scary masks. Signups and times for the party and parade will be posted on your child's classroom door.

### Pumpkin Contest

Every year each classroom is involved in our pumpkin decorating contest, which involves a theme. At our Halloween party and parade you can vote for a pumpkin or all the pumpkins. We will also be raffling them off as a fundraiser. So don't forget to vote.

### Dates to remember

October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>: Picture Day

October 11<sup>th</sup>: Parents Night Out, you can still sign up

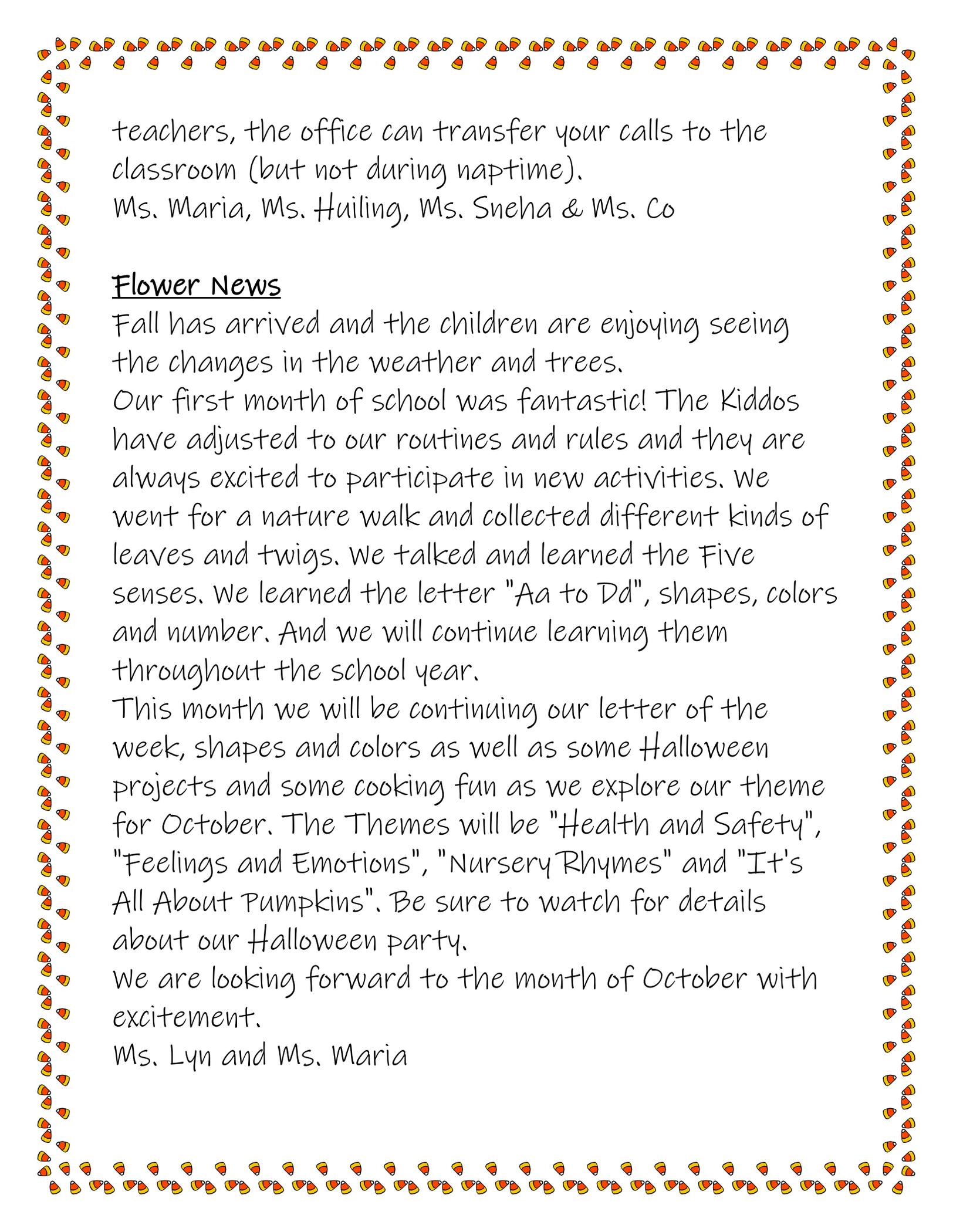
October 31<sup>st</sup>: Halloween Parade and Party 11am

## Teddy Bear News

Fall is here! We could not be happier for all the activities that come with it, from painting pumpkins to exploring in our sensory bin. Our weather, too, is changing, so please prepare to swap out spare clothes in the cubbies to long pants and warmer shirts, when the time comes. You may also find that the children no longer fit the clothes you stowed last spring anyway! Jackets need to be labeled, and should be brought every day as it gets chilly in the evenings, even on warm days.

A date to save is Halloween, October 31<sup>st</sup>, when we have our Halloween parade from 10:30-11! Children can wear their costumes during the day if there is easy access for diaper changes, and the children can move freely without tripping hazards. Otherwise, please make sure they have a change of clothes for before and after the parade. It's a great photo op. Join us if you can!

Reminder: always bring a bag for bedding. Cubbies are within reach of the children, and sometimes they manage to pull blankets and sheets onto the floor. If the bedding is inside a bag, it will stay cleaner, and your sheet and blanket will not get mixed up with someone else's. If you ever have any questions for the



teachers, the office can transfer your calls to the classroom (but not during naptime).

Ms. Maria, Ms. Hailing, Ms. Sneha & Ms. Co

### Flower News

Fall has arrived and the children are enjoying seeing the changes in the weather and trees.

Our first month of school was fantastic! The Kiddos have adjusted to our routines and rules and they are always excited to participate in new activities. We went for a nature walk and collected different kinds of leaves and twigs. We talked and learned the Five senses. We learned the letter "Aa to Dd", shapes, colors and number. And we will continue learning them throughout the school year.

This month we will be continuing our letter of the week, shapes and colors as well as some Halloween projects and some cooking fun as we explore our theme for October. The Themes will be "Health and Safety", "Feelings and Emotions", "Nursery Rhymes" and "It's All About Pumpkins". Be sure to watch for details about our Halloween party.

We are looking forward to the month of October with excitement.

Ms. Lyn and Ms. Maria

## Rainbow News

Hello Rainbow Room Families,

It's fall already! We have a Halloween parade October 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:30am. Parents are welcome to come and watch the mini parade followed by a potluck right afterwards. This month we will continue learning our letters: E, F, G and H. We will be doing lots of classroom activities and art related to our theme.

The weather is changing! Please ensure that your child has a light jacket for the chilly/breezy mornings and evenings. As always, please label all of your child's belongings, and check cubbies regularly for spare clothes. Have a happy fall!

Ms. Dee, Ms. Gouri & Ms. Grace

## Alpaca News

This month is going to be such a fun month of learning! We will first be exploring the seasons changing from summer to fall, and all the changes that come with it. We will learn about how pumpkins grow and dig out their mucky, seed-filled insides. We will learn about spiders – or arañas – in Spanish. We will get creative and make lots of colorful monsters to decorate our classroom for the last week – **Halloween!** We will explore Dia de los Muertos, have a Halloween parade and party! Parents are invited to take part. We will



work on scissor skills, lots of sensory exploration, letter tracing and patterning. Our friends are doing a wonderful job getting accustomed to our new classroom, our routine and new expectations. They are becoming increasingly independent, and you should be very proud of your children! Let's have a wonderful October together!

Ms. Lydia & Ms. Maria

### Butterfly News

Hello parents,

In September the butterflies explored their new classroom and adjusted well to the schedule. They also learned letters A(a)-D(d) and the sounds they make. Please continue talking about these letters with them outside of school. A good way to review these letters is by looking for them in books, posters, magazines, grocery stores etc. In SPOOKY October the children will use their imagination for pretend play, dress-up, and Halloween. They will also learn the difference between real vs. pretend. Remember that our pumpkin patch field trip is on Thursday, October 17 and our halloween/parade party is on Thursday, October 31.

Best Regards,  
Ms. Esther

## Hedgehogs

Hello Hedgehog parents!

We have learned a lot since we started school. We have learned letters A through E and numbers one through six. Our kids have been trying their best learning and writing these numbers and letters 😊. We will continue learning more letters and numbers throughout this month.

Hedgehog themes for the year have changed. We are planning to have an emergent curriculum. This means we will decide what themes we will introduce based on our students' interests. We have learned that this is a good way to get our students engaged in classroom activities because they will be learning things they are interested in.

Parents, please sign permission slips for our upcoming field trip to the pumpkin patch on October 17 @ 9:15am. We still need drivers. Please sign up if you can drive for this field trip. We would appreciate it a lot:))!!

-Ms. Vanessa & Ms. Lupe