



## OCTOBER

Dear Families:

It's already October and we have a busy month ahead. As the weather begins to change, please make sure that your child has a coat on those chilly days. We do try to go outside as long as the weather permits and the mornings can be chilly this time of year.

Traditionally, the CDC has hosted a "Trunk-or-Treat" for our children during their class session on Halloween day. This year, the tradition will continue...only if we have your help. Donations of pre-packaged candy, pencils, bubbles, and other goodies are necessary for this event to occur. Please bring your donation to the classroom by **Tuesday October 24th**. We also need a couple parents (from each session) who would be willing to decorate their vehicle trunk and hand out the goodies to the children. A sign-up sheet will be posted for this event next to the sign in sheet in the classroom. Costumes for the children AND adults are welcomed on this day. More information will be shared as time gets closer.--

We will be starting AI's Pals this week. You should have received a letter informing you of the curriculum that we use in the center to help children better understand their own feelings and ways to express them and also how to get along well with others. If you have questions about this curriculum at any time please feel free to talk with one of us in the classroom. The lessons that we will be learning about this month are:

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|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| #2 Welcome AI        | #3 What's a Feeling | #4 I Can Handle My Feelings |
| #5 Be My Friend      | #6 Let's Cooperate  | #7 Different and the Same   |
| #8 Different is Okay | #9 Brainstorming    | #10 Stop! Think!            |
| #11 Happy/Sad        |                     |                             |

Shape and color of the month are: **ORANGE** and **CIRCLE**

Thank You!

Lori, Amanda, and Ashley

### Special Announcements

Themes for this month will be:

- Oct. 3rd Apples
- Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> Spiders
- Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> Monsters
- Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> Pumpkins



### Home Activities

Read, read, read! Twenty minutes of reading to your child per day is highly recommended. The public library is a great resource!

Don't forget to look for those **orange** or **circle** objects!

### Important Dates

- **Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>** Field trip to Meal on Wheels Pumpkin Patch
- **Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>** Book order due
- **Oct 26<sup>th</sup>** Wear **ORANGE**
- **Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>** No School
- **Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>** Halloween Party, Trunk or Treat, and Trick-or-Treating

## CDC CORE VALUES

1. Live Each Day with Courage
2. Take Pride in Your Work
3. Always Finish What You Start
4. Do What Has to Be Done
5. Be Tough, But Fair
6. When You Make a Promise, Keep It
7. Ride for the Brand
8. Talk Less and Say More
9. Remember That Some Things Aren't For Sale
10. Know Where to Draw the Line