



Preschool Classroom Times  
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### WELCOME OCTOBER!

Can you believe we are already in the 2<sup>nd</sup> month of school? We're excited to share some of our work with you during Open House, which takes place the very first week of October. October also brings fall, pumpkins, and Halloween. We will be learning about community helpers, fall, and apples. We will also continue to work on recognizing our names as well as the letters they contain. Toward the end of the month we will have our class Halloween parties and parade.

### DRAMATIC PLAY

The children love the dramatic play center. This month we will be adding dress up pieces that allow the children to become community helpers such as doctors, firefighters, and police to name a few. There will discuss different fall foods they can use to "make" meals in the play kitchen. The children really get their imaginations going through their language expression and play in this center.



### THINGS WE WILL LEARN ABOUT

We will be learning a lot this month! We will learn about different community helpers and even have some come in and talk to our class. The rest of the month will be all about fall. From pumpkins and scarecrows to apples and leaves, students will enjoy all the qualities of this season!

### ART

In the art center we will continue to work on our cutting skills, recognizing and using different colors, as well as developing one to one correspondence. Students love to create and share their creations. We will be introducing a wide variety of materials to allow students to express themselves in multiple ways. We will be making some Halloween decorations for the end of the month as well as some fall themed projects.



### STORIES WE ARE READING

We will be reading plenty of interesting books during October. Listening to someone read aloud is a great way for students to start to build emergent reading skills. Some of the titles we will read are: *Room on the Broom*, *When Poppy and Max Grow Up*, *When the Leaf Blew In*, *Pumpkin Hill*, *Annie the Apple Pie Fairy*, and *10 Apples on Top*.

### TOYS AND GAMES

Toys and games is another popular center in our classroom. This center will continue to include different types of blocks, puzzles, magnets, animals, and games all allowing children to really expand their imaginations. They will learn spatial relationships as well as how different things work. This center provides such a wide variety of experiences the students really appreciate.