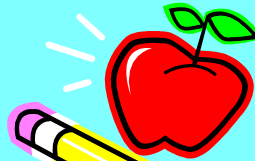




## EMMANUEL LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

We seek to help parents in raising  
and nurturing one of God's greatest gifts:  
the gift of children.



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### Settling In...

We're starting to get the hang of school routines. Ask your child to share one of the songs he or she sings at school or a school rule. We're learning about how to be a friend (sharing, taking turns and being kind to one another are all skills we work on).

Teachers have now had a chance to assess (formally or informally) what your children know already, and what we need to focus on throughout the year with them. Those assessments help to guide what we concentrate on with our entire classes, as well as what we do to encourage and challenge children on an individual basis. Your child's teacher may begin to give you ideas of things you can work on at home. Often parents will come to us and ask what they can be doing to prepare their child for school. We encourage all parents to read, read, read with their children. **"Reading to young children promotes language acquisition and is linked with literacy development and, later on, with achievement in reading comprehension and overall success in school. The percentage of young children read to 3 or more times per week by a family member is one indicator of how well young children are being prepared for school."** – Source: childstats.gov

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's teacher.



### Items to Note

\*Please remember to check your child's folder as it comes home each day for important information about what we are doing at school and things to do at home.

\*If your child will not be attending preschool on a scheduled day, please call the preschool before 9:15am to let us know. If they are ill, please let us know the nature of the illness. Some illnesses require notification to parents of other children at preschool. Thanks!

### Field Trips

The apple orchard and pumpkin picking field trip is always a favorite. Thanks to all that joined us for that fun and educational outing!



While most of our field trips involve parents bringing the child to a different location, occasionally we'll have a walking field trip during our regularly scheduled day. Our field trip this month is one such trip. We'll be walking to McKinley Elementary to meet our second grade book buddies! We'll all be going on **Monday, October 9 & Thursday, October 12th**. The second graders will pair up with a preschooler or two to read them a story. This is a relationship we'll be cultivating throughout the year. We look forward to watching the children grow through this experience. On our way back to preschool we'll collect leaves, acorns, etc. while we discuss some of the changes we see outdoors with the start of fall. **Please be sure to send your child with an appropriate jacket that day as this is a rain or shine event. A parent helper or two per class would be welcome!**

## Church News

Sunday morning worship services are held at 9:30am and 11am at Emmanuel Lutheran. Sunday School classes began in September from 9:45-10:45am for children ages 3 years and up. We'd love to see you there!

## This Month

**3 – 4 Year Old Classes** – Mrs. Vandemark will be doing color and shape assessments this month along with beginning scissor skills.

**4 – 5 Year Old Class** – We'll be learning more about the fall this month including some fun pumpkin activities at the end of the month including sink or float and making pumpkin pudding. Information on assessments will be going home by the beginning of this month.



## Upcoming Events

### **Mrs. Vandemark's Class Me Bags Due**

Wednesday, 10/4 & 10/5

### **Walking Field Trip to McKinley Elementary & Fall Walk During Normal School Day**

Monday, 10/9 & Thursday, 10/12

### **Fall Fundraiser Forms Come Home**

We're selling butter braid pastries, pumpkin rolls and apple dumplings. Our fundraisers help us cover operational overhead and keep tuition prices low.

Monday, 10/9 & Tuesday, 10/10

**Book Orders** – Book orders are due online or by turning in within your child's folder on or before Wednesday, 10/18

### **Fundraiser Orders/Payments Due**

Wednesday, 10/25

### **Bring in 5 Items in Bag**

Monday, 10/30 Mrs. Chambers' Class

### **Fall Costume Party (Children dress like a favorite book character)**

Monday, 10/30 Mrs. Vandemark's M/W Class

Tuesday, 10/31 Mrs. Chambers' & Mrs. Vandemark's T/Th Classes

### **No School – Election Day**

Tuesday, 11/7

### **Fire Department Field Trip**

Wednesday, 11/15 Mrs. Chambers' & Mrs. Vandemark's M/W Classes

Thursday, 11/16 Mrs. Vandemark's T/Th Class