



## October 2018 Newsletter

Blessing: For the friend beside  
me, for the food before me,  
We thank thee God. Amen

Parents, as cool weather approaches,  
we would like to remind you, that your  
children need outdoor apparel.  
Gloves, mittens, and hats are  
required. We **cannot** in good  
conscience allow the children to go  
outside for any period of time  
unprotected. As with all the  
children's possessions,  
**Please clearly label each item.**

**Reminder:** Please drive in to the  
parking lot slowly a lot of times we  
are returning from the playground.  
Help us keep your children safe.

I would like to thank the parents for  
providing great snacks for your  
children. Some of you are asking for  
a list of peanut and nut free snacks  
here is what I look for, anything that  
lists it on the contents listing or  
usually I will stick to a name brand. A  
good example is Oreo, Chips Ahoy,  
UTZ pretzels not Snyder's products,  
fruits and vegetables are always a  
good snack. Look for the allergy note  
it will state nuts or peanuts or that it  
is processed in a facility that  
manufactures items with peanuts. If  
you have any questions about any  
snack please see me. Please only  
supply your child with one thing, our  
snack time is limited.

My office hours are Monday through  
Friday 9:00-3:00. The Learning  
Center's phone number is 410-795-  
2287 and my cell number is 410-591-  
2280. Your child comes first here at  
Holy Spirit. We value the time we  
spend with your child, so if you call  
during class time, to speak to your  
child's teacher, you will need to leave  
a message. Your call will be returned  
at the end of the class. Your  
concerns are important, so please  
leave a message. **If at any time  
before or after class you need to  
talk with your child's teacher please**

**wait to talk to the teacher not the assistant. It is important that the communication is open to the teacher only. Do not share with relayed back to the teacher.**

The class Moms will be contacting each of you throughout the year for help with fundraisers, class activities, teacher gifts, and they are your communication to the Board of the Holy Spirit Early Childhood Learning Center as they will be attending the meetings representing your classes each month. If you have anything to share with the board whether it be ideas, shout outs, or concerns you are able to share with them or me as the Director.

We are closed on Wednesday, October 23 so the teachers can go to school. We have an in-service on that day for our required education hours. We will take 3 of these days throughout the year as the MSDE requires 12-18 hours each year for each of us.

**Please sign off that your Directory information is correct.**

Our field trip to Buppert's Farm will be:

MW 2's—October 17 meet there at 9:00

MW 3's—October 17 meet there at 9:00

TTH 2's—October 16 meet there at 9:00

TTH 3's—October 16 meet there at 9:00

MTWTHF, MWF, and TTH Pre-K classes—October 18 meet there 9:00

October Color: Orange. The 3's have color days on Thursdays and the 4's and Pre-K have color days on Fridays. We encourage the children to look for our monthly color every day.

October Theme: Fall, Pumpkins and Fire Safety. We hope to help the children express language heard in actions, and to become more careful listeners, and more fluent speakers. We hope to foster growth in the areas of locomotion, cooperation, empathy, expressing feelings,

communicating, imaging, representing, imitating, manners, and patience.

Scholastic Wish List: If you would like to participate in our scholastic wish list program here's what to do. Each time you receive a scholastic order pamphlet you will help the teachers receive books they can use in the classroom. If you would like to purchase a book in honor of your child please see your child's teacher for what books are desired. A bookplate will indicate that your child donated that particular book to the school.

Holidays and Birthdays: We do celebrate holidays and birthdays in our Center. Celebrations are during class time and are very low key. No outside special snack can be provided. We will enjoy snack time as usual. You are Welcome to send home nonfood items in a goody bag. Parents may send in napkins for these parties. These parties are for the students only.

Our Character Trait for this month is **COOPERATION**. This trait the children will be talking about how they can assist others in different tasks by working together. This will build the children's self-esteem and

communication skills while working together.

We are planning some fundraisers for this school year. Please know how much we appreciate your participation in the fundraisers. Our fundraisers are always voluntary and if you would rather not participate, but would still like to support us, we would gladly accept any donations please find the donation coupons in your tuition payment book at any time.

We will be getting an awning for the front porch and the fundraisers will help us with getting one for the back porch, so please help us out.

A Standing Invitation: If you do not have a church family, we would like to invite you to attend our Sunday services and /or Sunday school.

*"The one real goal of education is to leave a person asking questions."*

*Max Beerbohm*