



Central Presbyterian Church Weekday Nursery School and Kindergarten October 2020

Important October Dates

October 12 th	School Closed – Columbus Day
October 28 th	3-day & 4 day 3's Peterson/Reddy Halloween Party
October 29 th	4-day 3's Laws/Zusi; 4-day & 5-day 3's Schroeder/Zaimi; 4-day & 5-day 4's Lees/Burke; 4-day & 5-day 4's Celmer/O'Connell - Halloween Parties
October 30 th	2 ½'s Gray/Klisiewicz; 5-day 3's Giusto/Cantone; 5-day 4's Dougherty/Giusto; Almost 5's Huppert/Enriquez; Almost 5's Mezzacca/Nadelberg; Kdg. Dougherty/McAloon; Kdg. Fienemann/Heffernan; Kdg. Ilsley/Maier -Halloween Parties

Happy 2020-2021 School Year - Thank you to the Parent Organization Board members for organizing and to all of you, for providing such a welcoming start to the new school year. The new sign, the garden, the balloons and all the child made signs and banners brought tears to our eyes. It made for an emotional and uplifting way to get this incredibly unique year underway! We are so happy to have had a successful September!

Health Updates – We are launching a school Health and Wellness Google Classroom page along with a designated email for all health concerns that will come out next week! It has been interesting journey, as Barbara Powers has been working with us keeping the communication to each of you with questions on whether to keep your child home and when to return. The Pandemic Response Team meeting was very worthwhile and will continue to meet to respond to all the challenges this year presents. We have a steady and respected relationship with the Board of Health Nurse, the Lead Nurse for Summit Schools, and our Licensing Inspector. We keep informed with all updates from the NJ Department of Health. The Health of each of your children and our Teachers is a constant concern. We take this responsibility very seriously. We appreciate your support and cooperation. We are wanting the same thing; to keep everyone healthy and to remain open!

Google Classroom – We have launched Google Classroom for all our 3's, 4's Almost 5's and Kindergarten classes, with the 2 ½'s to join soon. It is the platform each class is using to send you their weekly "Ask Me About". It is a great way for you to stay informed of what lessons, highlights and upcoming topics are planned for your child's class. The pictures are a fun window into the classrooms! It is required to have a Gmail account to access Google Classroom. This was not the case earlier this year but now Google has changed their protocols. If you do not have a Gmail account, please set one up for school purposes (if for nothing else). I have a link below to instructions on how to set up a new Gmail account in the event you do not have one. Once

set up, communicate that email to the classroom teacher. If you have missed your child's class "Ask Me About" these past two weeks, this may be why.

<https://edu.gcfglobal.org/en/gmail/setting-up-a-gmail-account/1/>

If you have a Gmail account or newly set-up one and are still not getting the Google Classroom invite on your email, let us know.

Reminder for flu-vaccines- Please do not wait! It is required for all children between the ages of 6 months and 59 months. Send in verification for our files as soon as you have it (printouts from dr. offices and clinics with date and child's name and flu-vaccine). No child can return after January 1st without our having proof of this vaccine.

October – is our annual time for **phone conferences** for all our Nursery School classes. You will be receiving a note home with a scheduled appointment with one of your child's teachers. The calls will be taking place the week of October 12th and the week of October 19th. The teachers look forward to speaking with you soon.

Lastly, the month ends with **HALLOWEEN!** We celebrate with having the children wear their costumes to school. Each class will have a fun class party with lots of pictures to share!

Wishing All a Happy Month of October!

