



Giving Nest October Newsletter

North Plainfield Location

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Donating to the Food Bank

To teach the children the 'Gift of Giving,' the children can bring in the items that are listed below any day throughout the school year. During morning 'Sing-a-Ding', Mrs. Frank or Mrs. Presley will ask if anyone has something for the food bank. Those children will be invited to come up to the front of the room, show their donation(s) and then we will clap for them and sing our 'Giving Song'.

BELOW ARE THE ITEMS THAT ARE NEEDED...

- ✓ Canned Goods such as sauces, vegetables, soups, and tuna fish
- ✓ Peanut Butter, Jelly, Pasta Products and Dry Cereal
- ✓ Diapers, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Toilet Paper, Hand Crème, Soap & Shampoo
- ✓ Or Anything Your Child Would Like to Donate



October Plans for Morning Sing-A-Ding!



Morning Sing-A-Ding is a favorite time of day for the children and staff ~ it is the only time of the day that the children & teachers get to be with the other classes! In October the children have an exciting visit from the North Plainfield Fire Department! To prepare for the firefighters visit on October 21st and 22nd, we will talk about fire safety! Below are the lessons that are planned to teach your children about Fire Safety...

- ✓ What is a Toy & What is not a Toy
- ✓ What is an Emergency & What is Not an Emergency
- ✓ What is Hot & What is not Hot
- ✓ 911, Stop – Drop – Roll – Cover Your Face & Family Meeting Place

In addition we will begin our exciting school theme - "Fun With Storybooks"! The children will hear stories and see a little play about Christopher Columbus and his Three Ships – the Nina, the Pinta & the Santa Maria.

Get ready – you will hear your children sing songs about Halloween, Fire Safety and Christopher Columbus! The songs are included in this newsletter.

What's Happening at The Giving Nest in October



Yummy! Yummy!

The Nest Network will be holding a Bake Sale after school on **Wednesday, October 9th and Thursday, October 10th at 1:00 and 3:15**. If your child is in aftercare you can send in money and one of the aftercare staff can bring them to the sale. **This is a Fund Raiser so baked goods will start at \$1.00 and Up!**

Please Note:

- ✓ **We need Bakers! If you are able to bake please contact Kiley at nestnetworknpn@gmail.com**
- ✓ **Please come to the bake sale!**



BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT – 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.

Back to School Night is broken into two parts:

One Part will be held in your child's classroom. During this time the teacher will take you through a typical day in the classroom. At the end of the presentation, you will have the opportunity to look around the classroom and to "Identify" a special project your child made for the evening.

The Other Part will be held in the large meeting room with Mrs. Frank (the director) & Mrs. Presley (the assistant director).

Please note that Back to School Night is for ADULTS ONLY ~ please do not bring children.

The dates for Back to School Night are below:

Wednesday – October 16 -

7:00 to 7:30 – Classes A, A+, B & D will be in the Classroom

7:00 to 7:30 – Classes C, E & F will be in the Large Meeting Room

****At 7:45 we will switch!!**

Thursday – October 17 -

7:00 to 7:30 – Classes G, G+, H & K will be in the Classroom

7:00 to 7:30 – Classes I, J & L will be in the Large Meeting Room

****At 7:45 we will switch!!**



HALLOWEEN FOR ALL CLASSES AT THE GIVING NEST!



1. Children should come to school dressed in their Halloween Costume.
2. Please pack a light lunch (a sandwich or yogurt and a drink) because the children will have a Halloween Party with their classmates! They will be feasting on lots of goodies!
3. **IF IT IS A NICE DAY:** Once you drop off your child at 9:15 we request that you go to the side of our school building (this area will be blocked off both days). We ask that you stand on the perimeter. At 9:30 the children will come out our back door and they will go around in the big circle two times. Make sure to bring your camera!
4. **IF IT IS NOT A NICE DAY:** If it is not a nice day (very cold and/or raining) please drop off your child and we will have you wait in the large meeting room. At 9:30 you will be invited into the classroom for a 'Mini Halloween Parade'.
5. The party is for the children only.
6. There will be Early Care and After Care on both days.
7. **Halloween Schedule:**

Wednesday, October 30th: Classes B, D, G, G+, I, J & K

Thursday, October 31st: Classes A, A+, C, E, F, H & L

More Happenings at The Giving Nest in October



When: Saturday, October 26th - Rain or Shine

Time: 11:00am to 12:00pm

Where: In the Parking Lot on the Side of our School Building or the Classrooms if it is Raining

General Information...

- ✓ Trunk-or-treating is a version of trick-or-treating. Instead of children going door-to-door to collect candy, they go from trunk to trunk.
- ✓ All Current Giving Nest Students and their siblings are welcomed to come to this fun event.
- ✓ You must sign up for this **FREE EVENT** (Registration Forms will be sent to you via Constant Contact and your child's Communication Folder on 10/2/10 & 10/3/19).
- ✓ Children should come dressed in their Halloween Costume.
- ✓ Children MUST always be with an Adult.
- ✓ Children Vote for their favorite Decorated 'Trunk' and 1st – 2nd – 3rd Place Trophies are Awarded!

In Order to Have this Event we Need...

- ✓ Volunteers who will decorate the Trunk of their Car, Truck or Van! (Registration Forms will be sent to you via Constant Contact & a Hard Copy on 10/2 & 10/3). If the event is inside – you will decorate a portion of a classroom.
- ✓ Individually Wrapped Candy Donations - these will be given to the volunteers who are decorating their trunk! We will be accepting donations from October 1st to October 25th!

Be On the Lookout –
Registration Forms will be Sent Out on October 2nd & 3rd
via Constant Contact & your Child's Communication Folder



ENRICHMENT CLASSES

The Giving Nest will be offering Enrichment Classes again this school year for all our classes EXCEPT Chick-a-dees! Detailed information was sent home via a Constant Contact on September 19th. Below are the Enrichment Classes we will be offering this time...

Monday: Game Time with Mrs. Loretta, Legos with Mrs. Kelly and Soccer with Coach Mark Dutton (This is not being offered to Ducklings)

Tuesday: Play-Doh Fun with Mrs. V

Wednesday: Yoga Adventures with Mrs. McGrath and Fall Gardening with Mrs. Marcy

Thursday: Trains with Mrs. Kelly

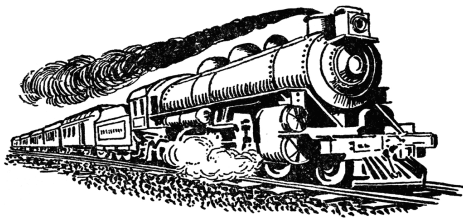
Friday: Cooking with Mrs. Elaine & Art with Mrs. Kelly

**We Are So Excited!
Something New!
Duck Hatching
at The Giving Nest!**



On October 15th a farmer from Quiver Farm will bring 12 incubated eggs, an incubator and a brooder box. For two weeks we have the excitement and fun of watching the ducklings hatch out of their eggs! Once the ducks hatch we move them to their brooder box with their brother and sisters! Make sure you stop by the office during this time because the children love showing off their Quacky friends!

Full STEAM Ahead



Every month the children will participate in various STEAM activities. STEAM represents the combination of Science, Technology, Engineering,

Art and Math. STEAM activities support curiosity, creativity, and innovative thinking.

What STEAM Activities Will Be Happening in October?

STEAM Book of the Month: *Growing Pumpkins* by Melvin Berger

STEAM Challenges:

All Classes:

How tall can you stack a ghost?

Duckling, Bluebird & Cardinal Classes:

How high can you build a tower that can support a mini-pumpkin?

Bluebird & Cardinal Classes:

Can you build a spider web with play dough and plastic spiders?

What happens when a pumpkin rolls down a hill?

Cardinal Classes: **Can you create a spooky shadow?**

OCTOBER SONGS



ORANGE PUMPKIN

Orange Pumpkin, Orange Pumpkin,
In the Patch, In the Patch!
Flying Bats and Black Cats, Flying Bats and Black Cats,
It's Halloween, It's Halloween – Boo!!



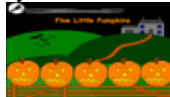
JACK-O-LANTERN

First You Take a Pumpkin Big and Round and Fat!
Then You Cut the Top Off and That Will Be His Hat!
Then You Cut a Nose Out, A Mouth and Then Two Eyes!
And Now You Have a Jack-O-Lantern Halloween Surprise! Boo!!



THREE LITTLE WITCHES

1 Little, 2 Little, 3 Little Witches, Fly Over Haystacks, Fly Over Ditches!
Slide Down the Moon, Without Any Hitches! Hey – Ho Halloween Is Here! Boo!!



5 LITTLE PUMPKINS

5 Little Pumpkins, Sitting On a Gate!
The 1st One Said: "Oh My It's Getting Late!"
The 2nd One Said: "There Are Witches In the Air!"
The 3rd One Said: "But We Don't Care!"
The 4th One Said: "Let's Run and Run and Run!"
And the 5th One Said: "We're Ready For Some Fun!"
Ohhhh Went the Wind and Out Went the Lights, And the Five Little Pumpkins Rolled Out of Sight!



BLACK CAT

Black Cat, Black Cat, Looking For a Witch,
All Around the Night is Dark as Pitch!
You Can See Me 'Cause Your Eyes Are Green!
Black Cat, Black Cat, This Is Halloween – Boo!



KNOCK, KNOCK, KNOCK

Knock, knock, knock – Sounds Like More – Trick or Treaters at my Door
I Open the Door and What Do I See...
ORANGE PUMPKIN – WHITE GHOST – BLACK CAT LOOKING AT ME!