

# October Newsletter

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**Tumbleweeds:** We've got some new movers in the Tumbleweeds! Reno and Caroline are moving all around the classroom along with Naomi and Logan! Our little Tumbleweeds are working on gaining their strength during tummy time and Bumbo time! Caelan, Kieran and Haylee are doing better at spending more time on their bellies, longer lengths mean more practice. Evelyn, Landon and Addisyn love their Bumbo time, getting to watch their friends is always fun! Ozzy and Tatum can almost sit on their own, they only need the occasional helping hand to gain back their balance. The Fall season is upon us and this next month we will be focusing on Fall and Halloween since it will be our FIRST!! ~Miss Kelly, Miss Kerra, Miss Diamond, Miss Holly, Miss Beth, Miss Amy and Miss Martha

**Bluebirds:** Booooo! Ahhh, it's October! How fun was September learning about Fall and the Solar System. This month is all about Farm, Harvest, Pumpkins and Halloween. We are closed October 28<sup>th</sup> for Nevada Day so we hold our Halloween Party on Monday the 31<sup>st</sup>. We can't wait to see everyone's costumes! ~ Miss Amberly, Miss Denise, Miss Yavely and Miss Celeste

**Wolves:** As the month of September ends and we welcome Fall with open arms, it's time to bring out the pumpkins, hot chocolate and scary costumes as we are so ecstatic for a month of spooky fun. There's so much spooky fun in store this month as we await Halloween including themes such as Farm, Harvest, Pumpkins and Halloween. As well as focusing on the colors orange and black, letters X, C and G. Also, don't forget to start preparing a costume for the end of the month as we get to share our costumes with our friends. As the leaves have been falling and the chilly days of October have arrived, it's time to bring our cold weather appropriate to keep cozy, especially during these cold mornings. We look forward to an eventful month with our Wolves and couldn't be any more excited! Miss Kacidee, Miss Erika, Miss Corinne and Miss Cyndi

**Rattlesnakes:** It's the spookiest time of the year. We are now saying hello to October and goodbye to September. We learned so much about colors and different ways to paint using all sorts of cool things! Expect a lot of spooky art this month! Please bring cozy clothes since the weather is getting cooler and please label all sweaters and beanies, thank you. Don't forget we are closed for Nevada day, but we will be open on Halloween. Don't forget to dress up in costumes! ~ Miss Mariela Miss Kamrynn Miss Cassie Miss Summer Miss Amanda

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**Foxes:** Autumn is officially here! In the month of September we learned all about Autumn and the many things that happen during this season. Vibrant colors, apples, different shapes of leaves and how to make caramel apples. Now that October is here, we are anxiously awaiting our fun filled holiday, Halloween! Please check the calendar so that we are all up to date for our Fun Fall Activities! ~Miss Caitlin, Miss Tyler, Miss Eden and Miss Sandy

**Mustangs:** Hello Mustang families! Fall is officially here and we are so excited for what the season will bring! We are kicking off October with a field trip to the Pumpkin Patch! This month we will learn all about what Fall brings and how we will incorporate it into our curriculum each week; farm, harvest, pumpkins, and of course Halloween! With the weather getting cooler we ask that your Mustang come dressed comfortably and for every sweater and jacket to be labeled with a name. Red and Green Mustangs utilize a coat bin where all cold weather gear and jackets can be kept, it is located by the door we exit for outside play. Kindly remember that toys from home are not allowed at school and they are a disruption or may be lost. We provide many fun manipulatives to play with. Thank you for finding interest in the homework that is provided each week, it is great to know that so many families are participating in classwork at home! Please know that homework is not mandatory, you can engage in your child's learning with reading, counting, sorting and even singing at home. ~ Miss Tausha, Miss Teri, Miss Shannon, Miss Karla and Miss Jaci

**Kindergarten:** Happy Fall Kindergarten Families! I hope you all enjoy your Fall break this week! We have been working so hard in Kindergarten learning our sight words and studying our letters and sounds. We have even started to put sounds together to make words. We have just about mastered our numbers 1-20. We know that every number has a name and value. This month we will spend some time learning about pumpkins, bats and spiders! We will work on mastering our numbers all the way to 30 and continue to learn 2 new letters a week. Some of us will even start to read simple books this month! Such an exciting time ahead of us learning and growing! Mrs. Tate

## Director's Corner

We all crave those close moments with our children that make our hearts melt. Connection is as essential to us parents as it is to our children. When our relationship is strong, it's also sweet -- so we receive as much as we give. That's what makes parenting worth all the blood, sweat and tears.

That connection is also the only reason children willingly follow our rules. Kids who feel strongly connected to their parents WANT to cooperate. They trust us to know what's best for them, to be on their side. I hear regularly from parents that everything changes once they focus on connecting, not just correcting

But we're only human. There are days when all we can do is meet our children's most basic needs: Feed them, bathe them, keep an encouraging tone, hug them, and get them to sleep at a reasonable hour so we can do it all over again tomorrow. Given that parenting is the toughest job on earth -- and we often do it in our spare time, after being separated all day -- the only way to keep a strong bond with our children is to build in daily habits of connection. What kinds of habits?

1. Aim for 12 hugs (or physical connections) every day.

Hug your child first thing in the morning, when you say goodbye, when you're re-united, at bedtime, and often in between. If your tween or teen rebuffs your advances when she first walks in the door, realize that with older kids you have to ease into the connection. Get her settled with a cool drink, and chat as you give a foot rub. (Seem like going above and beyond? It's a foolproof way to hear what happened in her life today. You'll find yourself glad, many times, if you have that high on your priority list.)

**Halloween Parties are Monday October 31<sup>st</sup>! Wear your costumes!**