

# Mallard Creek Presbyterian Church Preschool

## **Great Things are Happening!**

October is Fire Safety & Community Helpers
Month. Due to COVID-19, we cannot have a visit from the fire truck at the preschool but the children will take a virtual field trip to the fire station instead.

Our Virtual Children's Church is going well and we are very thankful to Ms. Monie and her family for providing such great stories for us! You should be receiving the monthly Bible verse and a copy of the weekly Bible story to review at home with your children. This review makes for great family fun time.

MCPCP's Fall Festival will take place Tuesday through Thursday, October 27th-29th. (Monday/Wednesday students will celebrate their fall festivities on Wednesday, October 28th.) Festivities will include a hayride, pumpkin patch, candy walk, and storybook parade. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, the Fall Festival activities are for students only.

At MCPCP, we do not celebrate Halloween. **Instead**, **stu-** dents are encouraged to dress-up as a storybook character for the Fall Festi**val.** Children are not required to dress in costumes, but those who wish to dress-up should be dressed as their favorite storybook character and bring the book with them, if possible. Children should be in costumes that allow for independence in the restrooms and/or ease of diaper changing. Children must also wear regular shoes. No witch, ghost, devil/ demon, other scary costumes, or play weapons are permitted.

We will have our first ever Candy Walk this year! Teachers will take their class from classroom to classroom to see the decorated doorways and receive a goodie bag. We do need donations of candy for the goodie bags. If you would like to donate some, please send them with your child by Monday, October 26th.

Fall Festival Permission Slips & payment are due by October 22nd. Mallard Creek Presbyterian Church's famous BBQ is cancelled this year due to COVID-19. Therefore, the preschool will be open as normal that day.

Our staff continues to follow CDC guidelines for cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting every day so that the preschool stays clean and the children and staff stay as healthy as possible. Teachers are spraying the playground down with sanitizer after each class and the bathrooms are disinfected after every class uses them. Staff and some students continue to wear masks each day, too.

<u>Upcoming Fundraiser</u>: If you like the "I Love MCPCP" masks that the teachers are wearing, you can purchase one for yourself and your child. We will be sending out information later this week on how to place your order.

If you have old towels that you don't use, we will take them. We use towels every day to wipe the playground off and can always use more.

### MCPCP News October 2020

#### **Dates To Remember:**

\*Oct. 1-TUITION PAYMENT #3 DUE (for November)

\*Oct. 5 at 1 p.m.-last day to pay tuition without a late fee.

\*Oct. 5-8- Community Helpers Week

\*Oct. 19-**NO SCHOOL** CMS Teacher Workday

\*Oct. 22-Fall Festival Permission Slips & Payment Due

\*Oct. 27-29-Fall Festival for all students. (For students on-lu.)

27th-Tuesday/Thursday students will have their hayride & pumpkin patch.

28th-all students will have their hayride & pumpkin patch. (Mon./ Wed. students will also have their candy walk & storybook parade.)
29th-Candy Walk & Storybook Parade.

### **Looking Ahead:**

\*Nov. 1st-Daylight Savings Time ends (fall back 1 hour at 2 a.m.)

\*Nov. 1st-TUITION Payment #4 is due (for December)

\*Nov. 3rd & 11th-**NO SCHOOL** CMS Teacher Workdays

\*Nov. 17th & 18th-Fall Pictures

\*Nov. 25th-26th-**NO SCHOOL** -Thanksgiving Holidays

"The Lord makes firm the steps of the one who delights in him; though he may stumble, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with his hand."

-Psalm 37:23-24

## Friendly Reminders...

Our preschool withdrawal policy requires 30-days WRITTEN NOTICE if you must withdraw your child from our program. Notification may be emailed to the Director or Administrative Assistant and must contain the date of your child's last day with us. (Once submitted, these cannot be changed.) Without written notice 30-days in advance, no tuition refunds shall be given-NO EXCEPTIONS. Please see our online Parent Handbook for more information.

Please send your child to school with a jacket/coat during the upcoming cooler

Fall and Winter months. Our students will have 30 minutes outside each day for gross motor development, even on cooler days.

Please continue to answer the on-line COVID questionnaire for your child before you enter the preschool campus each day.

For the safety of our children and staff, it is imperative that all traffic directions in the car rider line are followed every day. Thank you for helping us keep children safe by keeping them buckled in their car seats until you reach the student drop-off point. Af-

ter you pick-up your child, please pull over at the bus garage or parking lot beside it to buckle your children in their car seats before exiting the preschool/church campus.

Left turns are NOT PER-MITTED out of the parking lot. THANK YOU!

Important: Tuition is due on the 1st of each month and considered late after 1 p.m. on the 5th. Please place your check or money order made out to "MCPCP" with your child's first and last name in the memo section in your child's communication folder.