

October 2024

Parent Newsletter



For Kids!

What's Up With That?

I love Hummingbirds! They are so little! They fly so fast! I found some fun facts about them.

The largest Hummingbird is as long as a pencil. The smallest one is the length of your pointer finger! They get their name because their wings beat so fast, they make a humming sound! They can fly forward, backward, sideways, & straight up and down. They can also hover which is when they hang in one place while beating their wings!

Hummingbirds eat nectar from flowers and they love sugar water from your hummingbird feeder!

Right now they are preparing to fly to South America for the winter! It takes them 2 weeks to go 3,000 miles! That's pretty fast! See you in April, Hummingbird!



Dear Parents,

It's amazing how the air just feels different this time of year. The "crispness" of Autumn is already making itself known. Leaves are falling and even the wind seems to have changed directions. For many, this is a favorite season. For others, not so much! I have to admit that I love living in the Midwest. I love the changes in Seasons!

School has been in session for over a month and we have settled into our daily routines and

schedules. The current hallway buzz is about spiders and bugs, colorful leaves and trick or treat!

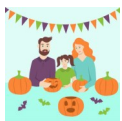
In a world where there is a lot happening, CCP helps us focus on the beauty of the world through the eyes of a child. It's a hopeful place pointing to a future with love, joy and appreciation for creation. The staff here at Second and CCP are grateful for our days with your kiddos!

This month in our hallways, you will see art work from stu-

dents that give you a visual on what your children are thinking and talking about in their classrooms. They are full of valuable information about farm animals, apples, pumpkins, what it means to be friends, books about seasons and about one another's families!

Be sure to check in and ask them all about it. They will love to share their day with you!

Peace,
Ren



PS3 & PK Pumpkin Carving Night
Tuesday, October 22th
6:30-7:30pm
Watch for details from your child's teacher!



Winter Warmth

We are collecting donations of coats during the month of October to be delivered to families in November! New or gently used coats would be appreciated! We will collect your donations at drop off or pick-up! Thank you!

Cleaning out your Child's closet?

Second Treasures would love to gather your gently used kids clothes for their October 20th donation day. Look for the collection bin near the CCP office!

Individual & Class Pictures
October 2, 3 & 4



Gary Martin Photography

You should find an order envelope in your child's school bag!



October Spotlight!

Music & Movement

Special Theme Week the month:

Construction!

Construction Time

(The Wheels on the Bus)

The excavator digs up all the dirt,
all the dirt, all the dirt
The excavator digs up all the dirt
At the construction site

The dump truck takes the dirt away...
The bulldozer flattens out the ground...
The crane picks up the heavy steel...

Halloween Pumpkin (*I'm a Little Teapot*)

I'm a little pumpkin short and stout
Here are my eyes and here is my mouth
When it's Halloween and I am out
See me glow and hear me shout! BOO!



Five Little Pumpkins

Five little pumpkins sitting on the gate
The first one said "My, it's getting late."
The second one said, "There are ghosts in the air!"
The third one said, "Who goes there?"
The fourth one said, "We'd better run!"
The fifth one said, "It's just Halloween fun!"
Then *whooo* went the wind and out went the lights
and the five little pumpkins rolled out of sight!



Sunday Mornings at Second!

- 9am-9:45am Sunday School for all ages
- 10am Worship *

*4-year olds through 8th graders begin in Sanctuary with their families. After "The Word with Children" students are invited to head to Children's Choir or are welcome to remain for the entire worship service.

- Sunday Morning Care is offered to our younger children.

Second Presbyterian Church is a welcoming community of faith where Jesus Christ transforms lives.

Godly Play:

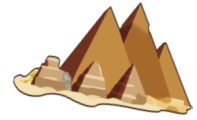
This month, our Godly Play stories will use the Desert Box! A wonderful sensory experience to set the backdrop of our Bible stories!

"The Great Family"- The story of Abraham and Sarah

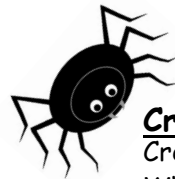
"The Exodus"- Moses leads the people out of Egypt

"The Ten Best Ways"- The Ten Commandments

"The Ark and the Tent"- God's Presence in the Tabernacle



Preschool 3s and Pre-K Parents: Don't forget Pumpkin Carving Night on October 22th. Watch for details from your child's teacher!



Creepy Crawly

(to the tune of itsy-bitsy spider)

Creepy-crawly up my arm a spotty little bug
When she makes it to my neck, I give a little shrug
But she climbs a little higher and settles on my nose
So I give a giant *AACHOOO!*
And she scurries to my toes

Grey Squirrel

Grey squirrel, grey squirrel swish your bushy tail
Grey squirrel, grey squirrel swish your bushy tail
Wrinkle up your tiny nose,
hold a nut between your toes
Grey squirrel, grey squirrel swish your bushy tail



Important Dates!

Oct. 10 & 11	Fall Break -Closed
Nov. 27, 28 & 29	Thanksgiving- Closed
Dec. 23 -Jan. 3	Christmas Break- Closed
January 6	School Resumes
January 20	M.L. King Day- Closed
January 21	Professional Day- Closed
February 17	President's Day- Closed
March 31-April 4	Spring Break - Closed
Monday-Friday, May 12-16	Last Week of School