



4 Year Olds

Dates to remember:

Monday, October 13 - Columbus Day - Center Closed

Thursday, October 16 - Picture Day

Tuesday, October 21 - Hayride and Pumpkin Patch (weather permitting)

Thursday, October 23 - Blauvelt Fire Department Visit

Thursday, October 30 - ORANGE DAY - Please have your child wear something ORANGE, if possible

Friday, October 31 - Halloween Boo Fest Parade for all 4-year-old children at 10:30 a.m. (sharp)

Thursday, October 9 - Friday, October 24 - Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser

Color of the Month: ORANGE (English & Spanish)

Shape of the Month: TRIANGLE - flat shape

PYRAMID - solid shape

Letters of the Week: B, C, D, E, F (sound, shape, sign)

Number of the Month: 2 (English & Spanish)

Fire Safety

Author of the Month: Marc Brown (Arthur)

The children have adjusted very well to the schedule of the day and have been making new friends, sharing, learning, and having fun!

Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to be class parents. The following parents are the class parents for your child's class:

Red Room 4s: Lincy Patel (Brandon's mom)

Rainbow Room: Ashley Paccione (Garrison's mom)

The class parents will be asking parents to provide paper goods and NUT-FREE treats for the children for each of our holiday parties. The first party of the year will be on Friday, October 31 to celebrate Halloween. As we move forward and celebrate other holiday parties, the class parents will reach out to the class so that all parents have a chance to contribute.

The Red Room enjoyed a walk along the Rail Trail last week to visit the Blauvelt Library where the children's librarian, Miss Marybeth, read seasonal stories to the children. We also sang songs and played games. Thank you for a wonderful time, Miss Marybeth! Rainbow Room goes next! As weather permits, we'll continue walking to the library throughout the year for Story Time and music classes.

The spectacular Halloween parade for the 4 year olds will take place at 10:30 a.m. sharp on Friday, October 31. We will be circling around the parking lot 2 times, and then we will sing a few spooky songs inside for your entertainment. Please be on time as this event is short, and you would not want to miss your Halloween treat!

To further celebrate Halloween, we will be turning our field into a pumpkin patch!! What fun for the children! Yay!!! All 4-year olds will be able to pick their own pumpkin right here at St. Catharine's wearing a fall-themed t-shirt or sweatshirt that they will begin painting very soon. Please send in a white T-shirt or sweatshirt as soon as possible so we can have them ready for the big day!



The children will be learning about fire safety and ways to stay safe in school and at home. We will continue to practice with fire drills in a child-friendly manner, which will reinforce this important lesson. We will sing songs, make crafts, and learn how to make a fire escape plan.

As we learn about the letter of the week, number of the month, and color of the month, the children are encouraged to bring in pictures that begin with the letter, color, or number to help reinforce what is being taught. Pictures

from newspapers or magazines are great, or even pictures printed out from the computer. This is a wonderful way for you and your child to spend time together. It would be even better if you have your child do the cutting, no matter how it turns out. You can purchase safety scissors at any craft store. This will help your child develop fine motor skills, and he/she will be so proud to show you how well they can cut! When the children bring the pictures to school, they will glue them on a large cut-out letter during Circle Time, and everyone will give them a round of applause. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, the children can also bring in for Show & Tell items that are the color of the month or that start with the letter of the week. HOORAY!

