

Little Paws Montessori

October 2025



Welcome, October!

*September whizzed by so fast, our Montessorians can hardly believe October is here! Time flies when **you** are the co-pilot.*

School has been off to a wonderful start. The children have settled into classroom routines and are learning to become more independent. Respect for each other and our environment comes first. Everything flows just right when we remember this lovely principle!

October will be a busy month for us all. Let's take a look at what hair-raising subjects lie in store! And don't forget to check out our weekend outing suggestions and details on the annual Halloween Carnival.



October 3

Field trip to Kindred Spirits Care Farm!
Meet at 10 am at farm entrance.



October 13

Indigenous Peoples' Day - School Closed



October 31

Halloween Carnival!
9 am arrival to allow for teacher setup.
Costumes required for all!

Life Cycle of a Pumpkin

October wouldn't be complete without pumpkins! In Practical Life, our friends will enjoy hands-on activities like scooping pumpkins, practicing their three-finger grip with peg pins, and preparing seeds for baking. In Language and Science, friends will explore the parts of a pumpkin and follow its life cycle from seed to squash. In Math, we will use pumpkins and seeds to explore the decimal system, and practice addition, subtraction, and multiplication.



Central America

This month our friends will explore the rich cultures and landscapes of Central America. Younger friends will match flags of Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Belize, Panama, Nicaragua, and El Salvador, sort tropical fruits, and explore rainforest animals. Our older friends will dive deeper by tracing maps of the region, learning about volcanoes in Nicaragua, exploring Mayan pyramids in Guatemala, and creating booklets about local traditions, wildlife, and food.

“The principal goal of education in schools should be creating human beings who are capable of doing new things, not simply repeating what other generations have done.”

~Jean Piaget

Weekly Lesson Themes for Friday Show & Share*

October 1-3, 6-10: Fall; Weekend Activity** : Collect Autumn leaves and make prints

October 13-17: Life Cycle of a Pumpkin: Pumpkin Picking at Underwood Family Farm

October 20-24: Central America: Hall of Central America at the NHM

October 27-31: Halloween: Trick or Treating!



*On Fridays, your child is invited to bring an object from home in the theme of the week to share with the class! (If it's not in the theme... that's OK, too :))

** These are optional suggestions (outings, videos, books) made by the teachers for parents who would like to explore the weekly theme with their child over the weekend. The LP parent email list can be used to coordinate outings.

Let's have a little

FUN ON THE FARM!

Fall Field Trip
Friday, October 3 at 10 am

11001 Farralone Ave,
Chatsworth, CA 91311





Please join us in the Little Paws Montessori garden for a

SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL!

Friday, October 31st - Costumes required for all, parents too if attending 9-10 AM.
Games for treats - no candy eaten at school. Bring a basket or use ours!

Join us on October 31st for a spook-tacular morning Halloween Carnival! Costumes are required for all little ghouls and goblins, and any parents who join from 9 - 10 AM. We will play fun games for treats, and no candy will be eaten at school. The decor will be friendly. Families are welcome to bring a trick-or-treat basket, or a bag will be provided for your child. Pick-up will be at 3 PM as usual! Counting down to a boo-tiful Halloween celebration!

Looking Ahead...

