October 2025 News

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Busy, busy!

October is a super-busy month! With firetrucks (a HUGE Fire Safety shout-out to Doylestown Fire Company!), field trips, school pictures, and Halloween, there's a lot to keep track of! Please be sure to consult this newsletter, paperwork coming home, and classroom calendars for important dates and details. In the words of Aerosmith, you "don't want to miss a thing!"



DONATION ITEM OF THE MONTH—PLAIN WHITE NAPKINS

Thank you so very much for the generous paper towels so many families donated in September...we appreciate each and every roll! Congratulations to, Lucas in PreK, as he is the lucky winner of September's drawing! During the month of October, we will be collecting packages of plain white paper napkins. Thanks so much! We use a fresh napkin for each child at snack time.

LABELS...PLEASE!

The fall chill is on its way! Please remember that our playground is shaded, and therefore on the cooler side. Kindly dress your child appropriately for outdoor recess and don't forget to **name-label** all outerwear.



HALLOWEEN...BOO!

Each class will take part in a short and sweet Halloween mini-parade of costumes! Look for **BRIGHT ORANGE** info sheets to come home in folders very shortly. (If you have volunteered

to send in a donation for our classroom celebrations, you will receive a reminder.) Please follow all guidelines and directions, ESPECIALLY REGARDING COSTUMES. Before you purchase/design your child's school costume, kindly read over our guidelines. It very well may happen that your child wears a simpler costume for school, and a more elaborate choice for home celebrations.

School Portraits

Kosola Productions will be at BBLC on October 13 and 14 to take our school pictures--don't forget to bring your SMILE! Class calendars will indicate which day is scheduled for your class, and order envelopes will come home in folders shortly. Everyone will be photographed and this is a PRE-PAID format. Envelopes should be returned to school by 10/10 (even though the envelope itself states to bring on Picture Day). There is no obligation to purchase photos. So, if an envelope is not returned, we will understand that you choose not to make a purchase. There will be no further reminders sent.

BBLC Outdoor PUMPKIN PATCH and Scarecrow Garden...

We are asking families to decorate pumpkins (real or craft) or make scarecrows to add to our outdoor displays for all to enjoy. All creations need to be completely weather-proof, so get your imaginations ready! Look for the **PURPLE** info sheet to come home in folders with all the details. Participation is not mandatory, but boy, it would be GREAT FUN! This is an athome family activity which is then shared with the school.

LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch is a one-hour extension for Step 2 and PreK classes and takes place Mon-Thurs. Step One classes will be offered Lunch Bunch beginning in November. The cost is \$9 per session, or \$40 for a discounted punch card (5 punches). The fee/card should be placed directly in your child's lunch box (outer pocket, if there is one). Children need a proper name-labeled lunch box containing a spill-proof beverage, food, utensils, and TWO napkins. Everything needed for lunch should be packed inside of the lunch box (including the <u>beverage</u> and the fee).



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Just about each month, you'll see a Scholastic Book Flyer come home in your child's folder. Purchasing books helps our school earn "points" for educational materials and is completely optional. If interested in ordering, use the QR code, follow the prompts, and select "Michele Burchell" as the teacher name. Books will be delivered to school and will be placed in backpacks (or given out at the arrival door) once they come in. This month's due date to order is 10/6.

UPCOMING DATES... did I mention October was BUSY?!?

Sep 30/Oct-2-7-9--Step One dismisses at 11:20

October 1-8-15-22--Fun Frolics Dance classes; 1:30 dismissal for those registered

October 2—We are OPEN; Music Classes with Miss Andrea begin

October 3—Yay for Yoga for those registered; 1:30 dismissal

October 6—Scholastic Due Date

October 10--Photo Envelopes Due

October 14—and going forward--Step One dismisses at 11:45

October 13/14--Picture Days (check class calendars)

October 15--Firetruck visits BBLC's parking lot for Fire Safety Theme (10ish to 11:00ish)

October 16—Kindg to Peace Valley for Skeleton Tour in AM

October 17—PreKs to Solly's Farm

October 24—Hot Lunch for Kindergarten

October 27/28 -- Decorated Pumpkins/Scarecrows due for display

October 29--Mini-parades for Step Two and PreK; NO LUNCH BUNCH

October 30—Mini-parades for Step One and Kindergarten

October 31--Half Day for K w/bus both ways (no lunch); Wear your Halloween Colors!

November 3/4—Take your pumpkins/scarecrows home. Any leftovers will be discarded.



