

## September News

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Greetings and Welcome to an exciting and fun filled year at The Little Peoples Workplace!

Our developmentally appropriate educational program is designed to develop the "whole child". Activities and learning experiences are planned to stimulate and encourage intellectual, emotional, physical, and social growth.

We are excited to launch our new curriculum "Frog Street Pre K". As we kick off the new school year, the children will be introduced to themes that will incorporate daily activities that will support the framework for Maryland Model for School Readiness. Our theme for the month of September will be "My School and Me". Our theme topics are; This Way to Pre K, Physical Me, and My Senses. In this theme, the children will explore and discover through math games, cutting activities, creative arts, music and movement, expressing their feelings and literacy filled fun. The children will also learn a calming strategy called S.T.A.R. (Smile, take a deep breath, and relax). This will support the development of building emotional skills. Building friendships has us excited about starting off our new school year!

The Learning activities will include:

- listening to and connecting to stories about school, feelings, friends, all about me and the 5 senses;

- naming, describing, comparing shapes;
- recognizing positional concepts
- introducing themselves to others;
- beginning to observe their environment.

The instructional plan for “My School and Me” will focus on the following key areas:

- Phonological Awareness: Rhymes, rhyming songs and poems
- Letter knowledge: Alphabet sequence, recognizing letters in his or her name
- Oral Language: Describing, identifying objects; expressing routines
- Comprehension: Noting details; making predictions
- Math: Counting; recognizing shapes and positional concepts
- Social/Emotional Development: Feelings; making friends; class rules; supporting the calming strategy S.T.A.R.
- Science: Observing movement, my senses, environmental changes
- Social Studies: Social skills; roles in school; recognizing rules

## **~Birthday Wishes**

None

## **~Special Reminders**

- Sept. 6 Happy Grandparent's Day
- Sept. 7 CLOSED in Observance of Labor Day
- Sept. 8 Kicks off the first day of our Preschool year
- Sept. 11 Patriots Day, Remembrance of 9/11
- Sept. 22~24 Parent Teacher Conference
- Sept. 23 First Day of Autumn
- Sept. 26 Johnny Appleseed's B-day

## **September is.....**

- Emergency Preparedness Month

- National Infant Mortality Month National
- Get a Library Card Month
- National Hispanic Heritage Month

## ~Current Updates

- Welcome, Welcome, Welcome, to our new friends and families, we are so happy to have you in our class and hope your experiences with us are fun filled.
- Fall is an exciting time of the year. Please remember to dress your children for the weather and take a moment to change out your child's extra clothing and keep them seasonally appropriate.
- Tick season is upon us please be sure to check your children daily. An easy way to remove ticks is to apply a glob of liquid soap to a cotton ball and cover the tick swabbing back and forth gently and the tick will come out on its own onto the cotton ball. This works great on those hard to reach places on people and animals. (Advice from an elementary school nurse).
- Consult with your physician for more information on tick bites and removal.
- Allergy/cold season is here....noses are running and germs are spreading. Please assist us with keeping sick children home to protect the health and safety of everyone.  
<http://www.cdc.gov/hln/flu/parents.htm>

I would like to say "Thank You" for allowing me the opportunity to work with both you and your child during this very exciting school year.

Ms.Dea