

# Shepherd of the Valley Preschool Newsletter: OCTOBER

*But Jesus called the children to Him and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." Luke 18:16*

*The children are settled into their classes and you can hear their sweet voices in the halls of our preschool. We feel so blessed to have your children at our preschool!*



## Pumpkin Patch Field Trip

Monday, October 14 - 10am

Mrs. McManus, Ms. Kennedy and Grandma Bear, Mrs. Quast

Tuesday, October 15 - 10am

Mrs. Meyers, Ms. Kennedy TTh and Mrs. P

Your Pumpkin Patch field trip information sheet and permission slip will be placed in your child's cubby. Children will need a parent or care giver to drive and stay with them on the trip. There will not be class after the trip.



## Music and Movement Class

Each Wednesday starting October 16

Mrs. McManus, Ms. Kennedy, Mrs. Quast, Mrs. P

Each Thursday starting October 17

Mrs. Meyers, Ms. Kennedy TTh

Music is a way for children to express their emotions! We will sing, dance with scarves, play instruments, and be silly in our weekly Music and Movement Class.



# Chapel Begins

Each Wednesday starting October 16

Mrs. McManus, Ms. Kennedy, Mrs. Quast, Mrs. P

Each Thursday starting October 17

Mrs. Meyers, Ms. Kennedy TTh

Chapel time gives our children the opportunity to gather together in the church, hear a bible story, sing praise songs, and learn how much God loves them!

A Chapel calendar will be in your child's cubby so you will know which story and bible verse we are studying. Each week a "Chapel Highlights" will be placed in your child's cubby so you can go over some teachable lessons with your child.

Each new student will receive a bible to take home.

Our preschool children are encouraged to bring a love-gift offering (1-2 coins) to help others in need on our Chapel days.



# Scholastic Book Fair

The Week of: October 21-25

We are excited to host our Scholastic Book Fair. The Fair is a perfect opportunity to purchase new reading material. Books also make great Christmas gifts! Fair will be open before school and after school.

E-Wallet starts Sept 30:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/shepherdvalleypreschool1>

Clifford Book Party: October 24, 6:30pm

Join us for a fun evening! Come in your pajamas for some Clifford activities, songs and a bedtime snack. Great shopping time, get your books before the fair ends Friday! Bring the whole family!



# Preschool Library

*"There is more treasure in books than in the entire pirate's loot on Treasure Island."*

– Walt Disney

We are excited to share the love of reading with your children by offering a wide variety of books to borrow from our library. Pick up some books at morning drop off.

Please remember to return them within a week!



## We are a NUT Free School!

Please do not bring nuts  
of any kind to school.

This includes food for snacks, lunch, birthdays,  
Noah's Ark Parade, and any other holidays.  
Sunflower butter is a great alternative!



## Noah's Ark Parade & Party

Wednesday, October 30, 11:30am

Mrs. McManus - 12, Ms. Kennedy - 18,  
Mrs. Quast - 16

Thursday, October 31, 11:30am

Mrs. Meyers - 12, Ms. Kennedy TTh - 12,  
Mrs. P - 15

Come dressed to school as your favorite animal! We will hear the Noah's Ark lesson in Chapel and have a fun animal party. We have several animal costumes to borrow or you may make a simple animal costume! If you would like to borrow a costume, they will be available in the office beginning **October 14th.**

Join us as our classes parade around the grass area between the church and preschool (weather permitting). Your child can bring an individually wrapped treat or non-edible item to share.

\*Please no nut products. See numbers above for how many students per class.





## Birthdays & Treats

We enjoy celebrating your child's birthday at SOTV! Please speak with your child's teacher at least a week before their birthday if you plan on bringing in treats. Children must be offered or provided snack for the day so please keep treats simple. Examples are: Gogurt, pretzel bag, Jello, etc. Pencils and stickers are also good alternatives!

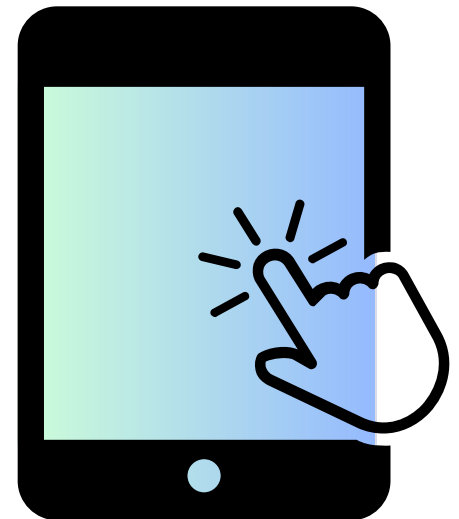


## Sign In/Out Procedure

Please remember to sign your child in and out on your Brightwheel app on your phone or the iPad each day.

### Finding your Pin on the Brightwheel App:

If you forget your PIN, you can find it on your app by clicking on the three lines on the top left. Next, click "edit profile" and scroll down for your PIN.



## Winter Fundraiser

September 30 - December 6

*See's Candy - Online Ordering Only*

Send emails to your family and friends, candy ships right to them! Shop now!

[https://www.yumraising.com/secure/shepherdotv\\_shepherd\\_of\\_the\\_valley\\_preschool23/TanKen4200/candy](https://www.yumraising.com/secure/shepherdotv_shepherd_of_the_valley_preschool23/TanKen4200/candy)





# Operation Christmas Child

The week of October 14-18

Boxes will be available for pick up.

Friday, November 15

Filled boxes are due back to school.

We will show the children a video about giving gifts in shoe boxes to children around the world. If your family would like to make a shoebox of gifts to donate, we will be giving out the boxes at the end of October. The Dollar store is a great place to find small items.

May these children understand about God's love as we bless them!



## Looking Ahead

Monday, November 11th

No School – Veterans Day

November 20th, 21st: 10:30am

Thanksgiving Feast

Wednesday, Nov 20 – Mrs. McManus, Mrs. Quast,  
Mrs. Kennedy & Grandma Bear

Thursday, Nov 21 – Mrs. P, Mrs. Kennedy TTh,  
Mrs. Meyers

Week of November 25-29

No School - Thanksgiving Break

November 25-29 there will be no school at SOTV. Our teachers will have In-Service days Monday and Tuesday and will then enjoy the holiday week with their families!

End of November

Progress Reports

We will give you a progress report at the end of November. Our progress reports are a tool we use to help us work together in ensuring that each child receives the support and guidance they need to grow to their greatest potential. We very much value parent/teacher communication daily so please let us know if you have any questions or suggestions as we partner together!



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# A Pumpkin Prayer

Dear God,

As I carve my pumpkin, help me say this prayer.

Open my mind so I can learn about You;  
*(cut the top off of the pumpkin)*

Take away all my sin and forgive me of the  
wrong things I do;  
*(clean out the inside)*

Open my eyes so Your love I will see;  
*(cut eyes shaped like hearts)*

I'm sorry for turning my nose to all You've  
given me;  
*(cut a nose in the shape of the cross)*

Open my ears so Your word I will hear;  
*(cut ears shaped like the Bible)*

Open my mouth so I can tell others You're  
near;  
*(cut a mouth in the shape of a fish)*

Let Your Light shine in all I say and do! Amen  
*(place a candle inside and light it!)*



# Snack Menu - October

**Please note:** Water and 1% milk will be served. We do not serve juice. All crackers, cereal and pasta will be whole wheat, if available. Please talk to your child's teacher to make accommodations if your child has food allergies.

| Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday   |
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|  | <b>1</b><br>Wheat Bagels<br>Cream<br>Cheese<br>& Water | <b>2</b><br>Cheddar<br>Clouds<br>Melon<br>& Water    | <b>3</b><br>Chex<br>Squares<br>Strawberries<br>& Water | <b>4</b><br>Rice Cakes<br>Cucumbers<br>& Water |
| <b>7</b><br>String<br>Cheese<br>Cuties<br>& Water              | <b>8</b><br>Popcorn<br>Apples<br>& Water               | <b>9</b><br>Wheat<br>Thins<br>Blueberries<br>& Water | <b>10</b><br>Cheese<br>Slices<br>Crackers<br>& Water   | <b>11</b><br>Yogurt<br>Bananas<br>& Water      |
| <b>14</b><br>Apple<br>Sauce<br>Cinnamon<br>Crackers<br>& Water | <b>15</b><br>Granola Bar<br>& Milk                     | <b>16</b><br>String Cheese<br>Apples<br>& Water      | <b>17</b><br>Teddy<br>Grahams<br>Carrots<br>& Water    | <b>18</b><br>Kix Cereal<br>& Milk              |
| <b>21</b><br>Yogurt Belvita<br>Crackers<br>& Water             | <b>22</b><br>Wheat Thins<br>Raisins<br>& Water         | <b>23</b><br>Carrots<br>Crackers<br>& Water          | <b>24</b><br>Multigrain<br>Cheerios<br>& Milk          | <b>25</b><br>Goldfish<br>Apples<br>& Water     |
| <b>28</b><br>Rice Rollers<br>Bananas<br>& Water                | <b>29</b><br>Wheat<br>Crackers<br>Carrots<br>& Water   | <b>30</b><br>Chex Squares<br>Berries<br>& Water      | <b>31</b><br>Popcorn<br>Raisins<br>& Water             |  |