

Preschool Newsletter

October 2024



Dear Preschool Families

Happy Fall! Your children are learning, making friends, and having fun; we are off to a great start!

Thank you to those of you that were able to attend Spring Meadow Lake field trip on September 20. It was a fun gathering, relaxing hike, and an appealing educational experience. We saw fish swimming, hawks flying, and learned about Montana Wild's bear residents. It was a beautiful day for a stroll.

Up Coming Dates & Events

- **October 9 & 23** **Lewis & Clark Bookmobile**
- **October 15 & 16** **Picture Day**
- **October 17** **No School**
- **October 22** **Fire Truck Presentation 9:45 AM & 1:00 PM**
- **October 25** **Panda Express Fundraiser Attached flyer **code 379538****
- **October 26** **Trunk or Treat 1-3 PM Our Redeemer's Parking Lot (Family Fun Time)**
- **October 30 & 31** **Halloween Parade 3s 10/30 and 4s & PreK 10/31**
- **Safety Drills** **Random days**
- **Class Dojo** **How to register is included on the last page**

Bookmobile

Every other Wednesday, the Lewis & Clark Library sends their bookmobile to our preschool campus. It will be parked in front of the Community Room Entry 4. The Lunch Bunch crew attends and listens to a book read by the librarian. Parents can use this opportunity to check out books and bring their child if they don't attend Lunch Bunch. Remember to bring your library card, or you can sign up for one there.



Picture Day

Images 4 Kids will be taking our preschool pictures this year. They will take all students' pictures and email code to review results. You may choose to purchase pictures or not. There will not be envelopes to preorder. If you have questions, please contact Trina Bertram at (406) 282-2606. Here is the site address to see how it works. <https://i4kmontana.images4kids.com/login>

Tuesday October 15

- Tuesday/Thursday three-year-olds pictures at 9:00 AM
- Four-year-old morning class pictures at 9:45 AM
- Four-year-old afternoon class pictures at 12:00 PM

Wednesday October 16

- Monday/Wednesday three-year-old pictures at 9:00 AM
- PreK morning class pictures at 9:45 AM
- PreK afternoon class pictures at 12:15 PM

Fire Truck Presentation

The East Helena Fire Department will demonstrate fire safety, fire gear, and the fire truck. The three-year-olds Monday/Wednesday students will not have class to see the presentation but are welcome to attend with their parents on Tuesday.

Panda Express Fundraiser

This is an opportunity to support our preschool. Throughout the year, we have various fundraisers to sustain and support the growth of our preschool. These funds are used for enrichment opportunities, tuition assistance, playground/building maintenance, and extra needs that always arise. Hope you can make it to Panda Express on October 25. Please use the attached coupons or **code 379538**.

Trunk or Treat!

On Saturday, October 26, Our Redeemer's is planning an outdoor Halloween Trunk or Treat gathering from 1:00-3:00 PM. Members of the congregation utilize a parking space to decorate their vehicle trunk or area for families to pass through. There will be a scavenger hunt, games, hot cocoa, hotdogs, and cider for everyone to enjoy! This will be our month's October Family Fun Time. Hope you can join us!

Halloween Parade

Our classes will be having a Halloween Parade on October 30 (M/W Threes) and October 31 (all other classes). Please have your children wear their costumes to school. **PLEASE, NO scary costumes, weapons, or fake blood.** At the beginning of each class (once everyone has arrived), we will parade through the Great Room (large gathering area next to preschool classrooms). So, after you drop your child off at their classroom, please make your way into the Great Room and find a comfortable seat. **Please have clothes under students' costume for easy costume removal after the parade.** Watch your teacher's weekly newsletters for details! Hope you can stay for this special event; it only takes a few minutes and is a fun picture time too!

Safety Drills

This month we will start practicing fire/evacuation drills. This is intended as a low-stress opportunity for children to practice what we would do if we needed to leave the building in an emergency. Each teacher will also be practicing earthquake procedures with their classes during the month. Please let us know if you have any questions.

In the event of a real emergency where we could not return to the building, we would take the children to the one of the following best locations:

- the Community Garden west of the church
- the small shed/garage across from the playground
- Renaissance Senior Home, 3680 Travertine Way (about 1 block west of the church)

You would be notified (through Class Dojo*), as soon as possible, regarding the situation, and how to pick up your child. While we hope this never happens, we do want to be prepared.



* I will be incorporating **Class Dojo** as a quick informational/emergency source for parents. You can download the app on your phone. **It's free**, so don't enter a credit card. Select the top right X to exit out of any charge when registering for an account. **Attached is the help guide and code.**

As always, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Love and Blessings,

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Fundraiser for

Our Redeemers Preschool

20% of event sales will be donated

A preschool that serves 3, 4 and PreK students.



When

Friday, October 25, 2024 !
Time: 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM !

Where

Panda Express located at:
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