



**We will be closed Monday October 10, 2016
Professional Day**

News from the Meadow
October 2016

Welcome to Meadow Flower! Summer is over and school is in full swing. We are all looking forward to a fun filled year. It does take some time for our younger children to adjust to the school experience, but with patience, compassion and understanding we can make their adjustment easier.

Each month a newsletter and the teachers' calendars will be posted on our web site to help families stay informed about school happenings. We hope this will assist parents in knowing what your child has done in school. Teacher's often use the calendar to inform the parents of any special instructions or supplies needed for that month. This, in no way, replaces the teacher's lesson plans; detailed plans are required for each class session.

Information regarding registration for next year will be handed out at a later date. All in-house families will be allowed to register before opening registration to the public. Dates for public open houses will be posted on the web site.

October is a busy month for us. If you have any questions about any of the following events, please ask your child's teacher or call Sandy in the office.

1. School pictures

Our school photographer is Susanne Casano. She is the owner of Hot Shots Photography, and has 25 years' of experience in the industry.



Passionate about her work, she truly enjoys capturing the spirit of our children. You should have received an order form last week. Please review the different packages available and return the form with your payment on or before picture day. Picture days are October 5th and 6th. Please check your child's calendar for their picture day. **Pictures will not be taken if the order form and payment are not returned by picture day. Please see Sandy if you have any questions.**

2. Activity Fee

As discussed on the first day of school, we will be collecting a **\$65.00** activity fee. This fee is to help defray the cost of the trips and activities we have planned for the year. The fee will pay for the buses, admitting fees to activities, pumpkins, Father's Day gifts, etc. Mother's Day gifts will be an additional charge and collected at a later time. **This activity fee is due by Oct. 15th.** You may include this fee in your tuition payment and place it in the container in the hallway.



3. Fire Truck and Hayride

The Fair Haven Fire Department will be visiting us to go over fire safety. The children will go outside to see the fire truck, and as a special surprise, get a chance to spray the fire hose. The hayride is our first trip, and we require that every parent must sign a permission slip which the teacher will provide. We will be riding around the neighborhood, singing songs, and looking for Halloween decorations. We will end our ride with a surprise visit to the pumpkin patch. Parents, siblings and grandparents are invited to attend. Please take note of these dates on your child's calendar or their bulletin board.

4. Halloween

I know the excitement about Halloween is here and of course we will be celebrating too. Since the children are just learning all the new faces in their class, we request that **NO MASKS** are worn. Children may wear a "school appropriate" costume for our parade, which will take place at the end of your child's session; weather permitting. Parents and families can return to school a little early to enjoy the festivities.



In the next few weeks you will be receiving information regarding tee shirts that can be purchased. We offer these shirts for sale twice a year. The first order will be ready for the holidays and the second order for the end of the school year.

FYI

We are aware that the parking lot at drop off and pick up times can be extremely busy and often dangerous. Meadow Flower's parents do their best to use caution, but the cars cutting through the parking lot unfortunately are not as cautious. Please use additional caution at these times. While on the subject of traffic, I would like to again remind parents to use our **Ridge Rd.** entrance. All the schools are back in session and children may be walking, so please avoid using Mc Carter Avenue access.

Please remember to check our website for our most recent newsletter and teacher's calendars. You can also download our registration form and physical form.

www.meadowflowerschool.com

REMINDERS:

- Please call or email the school office when your child is absent.
- Meadow Flower is now peanut free. If your child is attending lunch bunch, you may send them with Sun Butter or Wow Butter. The item must be clearly labeled.
- Children may attend lunch bunch or extended care any day of the week.
- Tuition payment #3 is due Oct. 1st.
- Activity fee is due Oct. 15th - \$65.00.
- Physical forms are due now unless your child's birthday is before December 31st.
- Please remember to get your child the flu shot and bring us verification from the doctor.

