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Dear Parents,

It was a pleasure seeing all of you at Back-to-School Night. I sincerely hope that you received all of the information you need to get through the year and all of your questions were answered. If not, please contact me or Mrs. M.

It is hard to believe that we have finished our first month of school. We had a lot of fun getting to know your children during the month of September. Everything fell into place very nicely and the children are well adjusted and happy.

The whole school will celebrate Halloween together on Thursday, October 31st with a parade/songfest and party. All are welcome, grandparents, siblings, etc. It is always a lot of fun. The children march into the parish hall... circle around twice for photo opportunities, after which we will sing our repertoire of songs for you. Parades will begin at 9:15 sharp. Children should arrive in costume and report to their homeroom as usual. Guests should park and go directly to the parish hall to be seated for the program. Keep an eye out for the sign-up-genius to volunteer to bring a "treat" to share.

Our color for the month is "orange" and the shape is the "circle." Pointing and cutting out objects at home that are orange or shaped like a circle will

reinforce what the children are learning in school.

The 4's and 5's will take their annual field to Donaldson's Farm in Mansfield Township on Wednesday, October 23, 2019. Parents and children should meet at Happy Face at 9 AM to caravan to the farm. (If you are not able to attend/transport your child, please make the necessary arrangements for safe transportation with another adult.). At Donaldson's, we will enjoy a brief introduction to the art of growing pumpkins, a beautiful hayride to the pumpkin patch, pick the best and biggest pumpkin, have a snack and visit the farm animals. Permission slips will go home in your child's school bag. Please sign and return them as soon as possible. The charge for parents and siblings is \$10. Please send your payment in with your permission slip. Happy Face covers the cost for our students. It will be a fun filled morning, with lots of great photo ops. Children scheduled for Lunch Bunch and/or enrichment are welcome to return to Happy Face with their lunch for their normal pick up time.

JUST A REMINDER

Happy Face is closed on Wednesday, October 9th (Yom Kippur) and Monday, October 14th (Columbus Day).

Keep Smiling,
Elizabeth

Updates from the Board of Trustees

*Please attend our
board meetings
They are held the 1st
Thursday of the month
in the Happy Face
Nursery School
Conference Room @
7:30 pm*

**All are
Welcome!**

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Board Meetings are on the first Thursday of the month. They are held in the Happy Face Conference Room at 7:30 pm. Our scheduled meetings are:

- October 3rd
- November 5th (Tuesday)
- December 5th
- January 2nd
- February 6th
- March 5th
- April 2nd
- May 7th



Show & Tell

Show & Tell is a fun and very important activity that promotes language development, self-esteem and creativity. Each student presents their item to the class and provides a brief description or story about the item. The date and theme of each show & tell appear on the monthly calendar and on the website. Each 4-year old and Fab 5 student will have a Show & Tell day in which they are the VIP. They lead Show & Tell and bring a special item that tells about themselves. (i.e. Family photo, favorite toy, etc.)

October's Show & Tell Schedule

3's

Tuesday, 10/1: NO SHOW & TELL (field trip)

Tuesday, 10/8: Something Orange

Tuesday, 10/15: Something Fall

Tuesday, 10/22: Something Halloween

Tuesday, 10/29: Something Scary

4's & Fab 5's

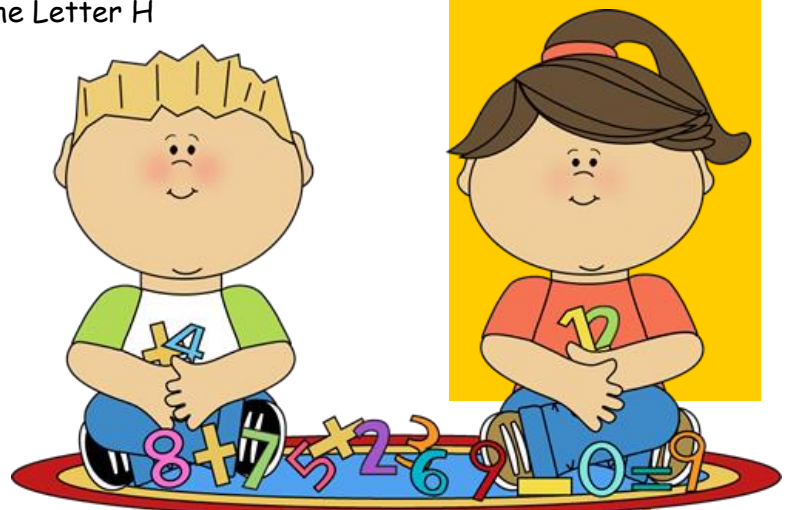
Wednesday, 10/2: The Letter D

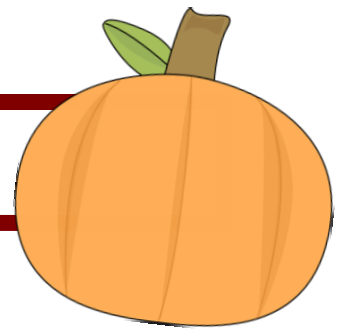
Monday, 10/7: The Letter E

Wednesday, 10/16: The Letter F

Monday, 10/21: The Letter G

Monday, 10/28: The Letter H





Fundraising

During the year Happy Face will hold several fundraisers to help make our school a fun and stimulating place for our children to grow and learn!

This Fall, we have multiple fundraising opportunities available.

- 1) The USED clothing drive is currently running. Happy Face will receive money for every pound collected!! All items donated must be in good, usable condition. Items collected are NOT SHREDDED and are sent to those in need in third world countries. We will be collecting from now until October 18th! For a full list of acceptable and unacceptable donations please see flyer.
- 2) Dessert Club Fundraiser: Receive 5 freshly baked desserts for only \$25!! You will receive one delicious dessert per month from November-May! Please hand in your form by Friday, October 25th!
- 3) Shoprite Giftcards: Happy Face will receive a portion of the money received. Do you usually grocery shop at Shoprite? Why not purchase giftcards to use at the store through us? Forms are do back by October 10th.

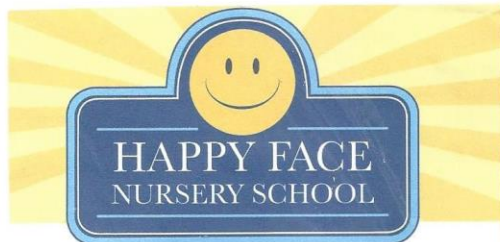
For more information about any of these fundraisers please contact Jennifer Weber.



* Happy Face Wish List *

The staff at Happy Face put together a short "wish list". Please consider purchasing an item on the list or donating money to help pay for an item. Any and all help is greatly appreciated! Thanks!

- * Color Sharpies
- * Black Sharpies
- * Digital Meat Thermometers
- * Magnets of any kind, but preferably building sets
- * Compasses
- * Hand mixer
- * Blender



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2½ YEAR PROGRAM

Our 2 ½-Year-Old-Program offers a fun, warm, safe environment for young children to make friends and experience school for the first time. Emphasis is placed on sharing and cooperating in a group atmosphere. Themes are centered on nursery rhymes with games, activities, and simple projects to reinforce the rhyme. As soon as a child reaches 2 ½ years of age, they are eligible for enrollment. A child may start any time during the school year and does not have to be potty trained.

Sign up at ANY time! Call (908) 832-7510!



Rolling Enrollment!



*****ALL STUDENTS WILL NEED A FLU VACCINE BY DECEMBER 31ST OR WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO RETURN TO SCHOOL IN JANUARY!!! *****

October in Review

Children will spend this month reading literature and investigating several themes and topics including:

The 3s will be studying:

- Fire Prevention
- Color-ORANGE
- Shape-CIRCLE
- Halloween
- Autumn

The 4s will be studying:

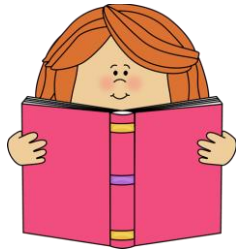
- Pumpkins
- Community Helpers
- Nocturnal Animals
- Halloween
- Letters D, E, F, and G (sound and recognition)

The author of the month for the 4s is:

Brian Lies, author of *Bats in the Library* and *Bats at the Beach*.

The 5's will be studying:

- Exploration
- Halloween
- Pumpkins
- USA
- Autumn
- Letters D, E, F and G (sound, letter recognition review, & letter writing)
- Spanish Words of the month: barco (bat), la hoja (leaf), el otoño (fall), la calabaza (pumpkin)
- Weekly (theme based) Poems



October and November Events & School Closing

Tuesday, October 1st - 3s Apple Picking Trip

Wednesday, October 9th - School Closed (Yom Kippur)

Monday, October 14th - School Closed (Columbus Day)

Wednesday, October 23rd - 4s and Fab 5s Pumpkin Farm Trip

Thursday, October 31st - Halloween Costume Parade & Sing- A-Long (Everyone)

Tuesday, November 5th - Board Meeting 7:30 PM

Thursday & Friday, November 7th & 8th - School Closed, NJEA Conference

Monday, November 25th - Thanksgiving Feast (10am -11am) (4s & 5s)

Wed., Thurs., & Fri., November 27th, 28th & 29th - School Closed for Thanksgiving

Look for the next SMILE to be out November 1st!

HALLOWEEN PARTY AND PARADE



Thursday, October 31st (The Whole School!)

Please send your child dressed in his/her costume on the day of the parade. Families and students who do not usually attend school on Thursday are asked to please join us so we can celebrate all together!!! Parents and siblings are invited to the parade and party. Lunch Bunch and enrichment will run as scheduled.

**Please note the parade will begin promptly at 9:15^{AM}.*