



Delaware Cooperative Preschool Monthly Newsletter

October 2017

From the Teachers

Hello Preschool Class Families!

The Preschool Class has had a great first few weeks and we want to thank all the families for dropping off and picking up on time, checking the bulletin board and folder for information and helping out in the classroom. We have been introducing the classroom and its materials to all our preschoolers this month as well as learning each other's names. We have a total of 45 preschoolers this school year.

The children have been very interested in painting, water and sand play, the kitchen area, practical life and sensorial area. We will be basing some of our upcoming activities and lessons on these interests.

September Themes -

Peaceful Classroom
Mat Man-BIG LINES, BIG CURVES, little lines, little curves
Knobbed Cylinders
Practical Life and Sensorial Area
The Kissing Hand, Miss Spider, Pete The Cat
Letters - SMTAPF, if you want to write a letter start at the top

Upcoming in October -

Colors
Fall
Pumpkins
Seasons
Life cycle of pumpkin
Hibernation and migration

Children can wear costumes to school
October 25-31.

Please note-

Pre-K students we need a 1 subject notebook.

Afternoon class -Please try and send easy to open lunches.

We still need an individual picture of some of our preschool students.

Upcoming in November we will be asking for a family picture in front of your house for a group activity.

Thanks everyone.

Jennifer and Anna Marie

Spanish with Ms Donna

This month I will be back at DCP to introduce the children to the world of Spanish! We will start with some songs, among them my take on "Two Names are Better than One"-- a vintage Sesame Street ditty. We will learn basic greetings and jump right into TPR-total physical response, to use our bodies and movement to learn several actions. We will also work on numbers 1-10 and basic colors. My goal as always is to spark an early interest in learning another language.

Ms Donna

Important Reminders!

- * The teachers have requested the following donations for fall: 1 large pumpkin, 2 small pumpkins, decorative indian corn, & reserve snacks. If you can provide any of these, please email communications@dcpkids.org.
- * Please don't forget our snack guidelines, found on page 13 of your handbook. Food should be prepared at home, and if possible please bring preschool snack in serving bowls with utensils.
- * September's General Membership Meeting was great! We appreciate everyone who made time to come and then participated in committee sessions. Don't forget that each family is required to have at least one representative at EACH GMM. Our next is **January 18**, and we look forward to seeing everyone!

Montessori Moment

If you haven't already heard about Mat Man from your preschooler, you probably will soon. Mat Man is an important part of the Handwriting Without Tears curriculum. Mat man's body is made up of the many curves and lines used to write letters. So when you see your preschooler drawing mat man pictures, know that he/she is working hard towards great handwriting skills! Not only is mat man a wonderful tool for handwriting but the song they sing to put him together helps children learn body parts and body awareness. Attached to this month's newsletter is a mat man you can make at home.

Fun Fall Events

Mom's Night Out! Mark your calendars and plan to come out and meet/socialize with your fellow DCP moms at Blend of Seven Winery on **Friday, October 13th at 7pm**. Address is 1400 Stratford Rd, Delaware 43015. Check out the facebook group to RSVP to the event. Contact Sarah Will with any questions. See ya there!

This year's **fall field trip** will be a tour of the Olentangy Indian Caverns! On **Wednesday October 25**, we will be able to choose from 4 times slots(2:00, 3:00, 4:00, or 5:00) for 45 min. guided tours of the caverns. Keep an eye out for a sign-up sheet on the cubbies at DCP. Tours will be \$6/adults, \$4/kids 2&under are free. When it's not your turn for a tour, we can enjoy special pricing on gem mining (\$1 off), petting zoo(\$2/child), and mini golf(\$2/child). Please bring payment with you to the caverns. Can't wait to see you all there! email andreakolp@columbus.rr.com with any questions

What are those words?

(To the tune of "The Bear Went Over the Mountain")

Mat man has 1 head, Mat man has 1 head, Mat Man has 1 head, so that he can think.

Mat Man has 2 eyes, Mat Man has 2 eyes, Mat Man has 2 eyes, so that he can see.

Mat Man has 1 nose, Mat Man has 1 nose, Mat Man has 1 nose, so that he can smell.

Mat Man has 1 mouth, Mat Man has 1 mouth, Mat Man has 1 mouth, so that he can eat.

Mat Man has 2 ears, Mat Man has 2 ears, Mat Man has 2 ears, so that he can hear.

Mat Man has 1 body, Mat Man has 1 body, Mat Man has 1 body, to hold what is inside.

Mat Man has 2 arms, Mat Man has 2 arms, Mat Man has 2 arms, so that he can reach.

Mat Man has 2 hands, Mat Man has 2 hands, Mat Man has 2 hands, so that he can clap.

Mat man has 2 legs, Mat Man has 2 legs, Mat Man has 2 legs, so that he can stand.

Mat Man has 2 feet, Mat Man has 2 feet, Mat Man has 2 feet, so that he can walk.