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# Around the Ark

## Autumn Harvest

October is a time we all look forward to at the Ark. All of our new little people are feeling safe and secure and are enjoying being with us everyday. They know the familiar face they call "Teacher", They have made friends with a few other children and they know that Mom and Dad will come back at the end of their day. **Life is good!**

Our theme for October is Autumn Harvest and we can feel it, smell it, taste it and touch it. Mornings are cooler now and we are actually needing a light jacket. When we walk through the leaves there is that dry fall crackling noise and we are seeing yellows, oranges and reds on the edges of leaves in the trees. Some people are burning wood and we can smell it in the air. Apples are almost ready and it's almost time for apple cider. Fall is here!

This month also brings with it the

discussion of letters D, E and F, numbers 4 and 5 and the triangle shape. We will be discussing heavy and light, big and little and beside and between. Our country for the month is Germany and our artist is Pablo Picasso. We have lots of Picasso's here at Noah's Ark already and we have the art work to prove it.

We haven't forgotten Halloween and we will be celebrating the occasion with songs, stories, pumpkin fun, special treats, spiders, masks, ghosts but **NO COSTUMES** please!



## A Place for Everything!

On top of the art cubbies are bags to go home with wet or soiled clothes and any other bags that go back and forth from home for the children. The top of the art cubby is a perfect place to put the items that need to be picked up or exchanged at the end of the day. Sometimes we have extra notices for the parents that do not fit on our main counter. Please take time to check the top of the cubbies every once in a while.

**Sorry ! We cannot store car seats.**

## Friday Fun

### FUN FRIDAYS for October!

- Friday, 10/6  
Celebrating Octoberfest
- Friday, 10/13  
What happens to the leaves?
- Friday, 10/20  
What are our 5 senses?
- Friday, 10/27  
CLOSED—Nevada Day

"Noah's News is Good News"

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### Special points of interest:

- ☺ **Wednesdays** are early dismissal days for all public school children.
- ☺ No Halloween costumes PLEASE!
- ☺ Closed...Fri., Oct. 27 To celebrate Nevada Day!
- ☺ Coats and jackets on cool days please.
- ☺ Please check your parent files.



## You child needs to stay home if...

he (or she) awakened in the A.M. with his eye "glued" shut. ( check for pink eye)

he (or she) is running a temperature of 100 or higher, **without** medication.

he (or she) has had diarrhea or vomiting within the last **24** hours.

he (or she) has an unidentifiable rash on any part of their body. (contagious??)

he or she has a golden, oozing sore around mouth or nose. (check for impetigo)

he (or she) is congested with cold, coughing **continually** and has green nasal discharge.

he or she complains of a sore throat, cannot swallow and has swollen glands.

he or she has evidence of nits (even just **ONE**) or lice in their hair, even after treatment with medicated shampoo.

he (or she) has been sent home from elem. school due to illness **within the last 24 hours.**

**Please note that depending upon a child's symptoms they will need to remain home from 24-72 hours after all symptoms have disappeared.**

## Payment Policy Reminder

It is important that everyone be aware of our existing payment policy so that you avoid late fees and late payment notices.

Parents are billed out every **two weeks**. **It is critical that you pay your account in advance.** Payments need to be made in full by the highlighted dates on the "fee schedule", to **avoid late charges**. Accounts not paid on a timely basis will be charged a **\$50.00 late fee**. Our accounts are due bimonthly so payments in advance are critical to our operation . If

your child does not come on Monday you can call in with a credit card.

Please be sure to put your child's name on all checks and credit card receipts. We have lots of children, lots of parents and grandparents who pay and lots of checks.

**Sign up for  
Sentext**

## Coats and Sweaters Please!

Fall is in the air and it is really noticeable in the early mornings and late evenings when there is a slight chill in the air. Please remember that the children start going outside at 8:00 A.M. and stay out until 5:00 P.M. Outdoors is a very important part of our program and **we go outside everyday**. If your child is well enough to be at school, he/she is well enough to go outside. Please send your child with a light jacket or sweater so that they will be warm enough. The last couple of days we have had to dip into our "lost and found" piles in order to keep the children warm. **Also, please remember to put your child's name on all of their outer garments.** Thank you.

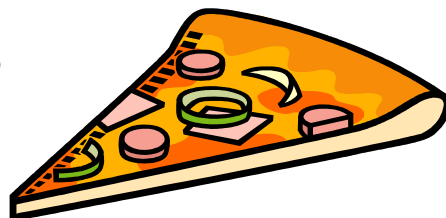
## Google Us!

If you are not pleased with your child's care at the Ark **PLEASE** take the time to tell Colleen so that changes can be made and attention to issues can be dealt with. **HOWEVER, if you are PLEASED, please GOOGLE us on RENO CHILD CARE CENTERS**, click on Noah's Ark and write a review or write a review on our **FACEBOOK**. We are working towards a **STAR** rating and your opinion **COUNTS!**

## Pizza for Preschoolers and Parents

All parents are invited for "Pizza with your Preschooler" during the first two weeks of October. We have special days set aside just for this occasion.

Parents of the Color Group children are invited to come on Tuesday, October 10 at 11:00 for pizza. This will give you a little time to visit with your child and have a little fun and then enjoy lunch. Nap-time follows right after lunch so this will be time for a hug and goodbye.



**Pizza Party!**

Parents of Shape Group children are invited on Thursday, October 12 at 11:45 A.M. for a pizza party with the Shape Group children.

A sign up sheet will be available at the front desk. **RESERVATIONS ARE NECESSARY** so that we have enough pizza. If you are not fond of pizza you are welcome to "brown bag it". The children will be having pizza.

Thank you for taking the time to join us.

## Lost and Found

Are you missing anything...a coat, shoe, jacket, sweater, hat, gloves, etc. Chances are it is in the "Lost and Found" bucket located right inside the front door on the right side. From Monday to Friday the children's items of clothing are kept in the back cubbies. Each child has a cubby space determined by their Color or Shape group. Of course, that is ideal and their clothing items do not always end up on the right hook. On Fridays, all left over items of clothing are collected at 6:00 P.M. and placed in the "Lost and Found" bucket. We get quite a collection of clothing items. After a few weeks the items are placed on the table in the hopes that you will recognize an item that belongs to you and claim it. All unclaimed items are donated to the clothing box in the church and further donated to charity.

## No Costumes Please!

Halloween is quickly approaching so we want to let all of the parents know early on that we do not have a Halloween party and we **do not dress in costume**. We have lots of fun on a daily basis singing songs with the children, carving jack-o-lanterns and making masks, spiders and ghostly creations. We will talk to the children about Halloween safety and the groups usually incorporated special treats

into their cooking projects.

We will lay all of the ground work for our families to have a wonderfully fun Halloween night. Enjoy!



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