



Crayons 2 Pencils Preschool

Month- October 2010

Class: Preschool Play-N-Learn

Session #1 Tue/Thur 10:15 – 12:15

Session #2 Mon/Wed 9:15 – 11:15

What to expect this month

Songs of the month: Five little pumpkins sitting on a gate – Attached will be the words to the songs

Book orders are due Wednesday October 13th

Week # 5 October 4th – 8th

Theme: Pumpkin Patch

Letter Dd

Show & Tell: Something that starts with a letter Dd

This week we are going to make a pumpkin patch by using stamps and paper and glue. We are going to talk about different sizes of pumpkins and where they grow from. We are going to have a race carrying pumpkins from one area to the next with out dropping them. We are going to talk about the size of pumpkins and how they look and feel. For our letter Dd we are going to use our writing boards and wipe off markers to practice writing them. We are going to make a Dog using the letter Dd.

Week # 6 October 11th – 15th

Theme: Candy Corn

Shape - Triangle

Show & Tell: Something that starts with Ee

* **No class on Monday October 11th**

* **Reminder our field trip to Howells Pumpkin Patch is this Friday afternoon**

We are going to have fun making paper candy corn using yellow white and orange. We are going to talk about the 3 colors you find on a Candy corn. We are also going to have a guessing game of how many it takes to fill up a mini jar. We will then count them as a group and split them up between each classmate to take home. We are also going to talk

This is the week of our Halloween Party at the Pumpkin Patch.

Our Party will be **Friday October 15th**. We will be meeting at the Howells pumpkin patch between **4:00 and 4:15**. If you would like to follow me there please meet at Crayons 2 Pencils Preschool by 3:30pm. **Children can wear their costumes to the pumpkin patch.** The cost is \$5.00 per child and \$4.00 per adult.

We will get to ride the hay rack ride, pick out a small pumpkin, Feed the animals, have a snack and have fun at the Kiddie Korral! Inside the Korral, the Kids can "swim" and play in the special Corn Bin play box, climb the kid-sized haystacks, and explore the playground and giant tube slide. Each child will also get their very own coloring book and crayons to take home. This is a family fun Halloween party and we hope to see you there.

I have attached a signup sheet, please return-

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Week # 7 October 18th – 22nd

Theme: Papier-mâché Pumpkin

Letter Ee

Show & Tell: something that starts with Ee

We are going to make a Papier-mâché balloon. We are going to use glue and paper towels to cover our balloon with. Once it is dry we are going to pop our balloon and paint it orange like a pumpkin. We will paint black triangles for the face. Our letter is going to be Ee. We are going to talk about the sound it makes and practice writing the letter Ee. We are going to boil eggs and have them at our morning snack.

Week # 8 October 25th – 29th

Theme: All about Halloween

Show & Tell: Your favorite Halloween decoration or a piece of your costume

We are going to make spider webs with black paint and a marble. We are also going to make ghosts with suckers and Kleenex. We are going to talk about Halloween safety and our manners. We are going to practice *Trick-or-Treating* at class. We are going to bob for apples in class for fun this week.

Important Information

- Please fill out and return your form for our Trip to the pumpkin patch.
 - You can contact me at 981-4663

Birthday Chart



Carter Enos October 20th

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Special dates to remember

- There is **NO CLASS** Monday October 11th
- Friday October 15th we will take a trip to Howells pumpkin patch in the afternoon. We will all meet out at the patch at 3:30 P.M. Please fill out the form attached if you will be attending with us. Costs will be listed on the sheet below.





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Friday October 15th to anyone who is interested, we will be taking our annual family field trip to Howells pumpkin patch. Each family that would like to attend should meet us there between 4:00 – 4:15. If you would like to follow us, please be at my house by 3:30 pm. You are welcome to bring siblings. It will be a blast!

Each tour includes:



- Wagon Ride to the Pumpkin Patch and Corn Maze
- Each Child Picks Their Own Small Pumpkin
- Food to Feed the Animals
- A Farm Goodie Bag (Coloring Book, Pencil, Crayons, Juice Box)
- Access to the Kiddie Korral (pedal tractors, wiggle cars, corn box, straw maze, horse swings, teeter totters, slides, bunny farm & photo opportunities)

Tours are \$5 per child. Extra adults are asked to purchase a \$4.00

wristband for the wagon ride. Siblings pay \$5 to participate in everything.

Let me know if you are interested in going with us. You can follow me out there or Meet us there. Let me know so I can plan ahead as reservations are required.

Here is my cell phone number in case you are running late or lost or changed your mind: Jill Larsen

515.306.8722

**Howell's Pumpkin Patch
3145 Howell Court
Cumming, Iowa 50061
515-981-0863**

Turn in bottom portion of form to Jill by Wednesday October 13th so I can make reservations:

I will be attending with my child _____ to Howells Pumpkin patch.

_____ I will meet at your house and follow you _____ I will meet you at Howells Pumpkin Patch

I am bringing _____ siblings: Their names are: _____

_____ # of adults coming (feel free to bring grandparents if you would like)

OR: My child _____ and I will not be able to attend



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Five Little Pumpkins



Five little pumpkins, sitting on a gate.

The first one said, "Oh, my it's getting late!"

The second one said, "There are witches in the air!"

The third one said, "But we don't care!"

The fourth one said, "Let's run and run and run!"

The fifth one said, "I'm ready for some fun!"

Ooooo went the wind, and out went the lights,

And the five little pumpkins rolled out of sight

Halloween Safety Tips

Halloween is an exciting time of year for kids, and to help ensure they have a safe holiday, here are some tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).

ALL DRESSED UP:

- Plan costumes that are bright and reflective. Make sure that shoes fit well and that costumes are short enough to prevent tripping, entanglement or contact with flame.
- Consider adding reflective tape or striping to costumes and Trick-or-Treat bags for greater visibility.
- Because masks can limit or block eyesight, consider non-toxic makeup and decorative hats as safer alternatives. Hats should fit properly to prevent them from sliding over eyes.
- When shopping for costumes, wigs and accessories look for and purchase those with a label clearly indicating they are flame resistant.
- If a sword, cane, or stick is a part of your child's costume, make sure it is not sharp or too long. A child may be easily hurt by these accessories if he stumbles or trips.
- Obtain flashlights with fresh batteries for all children and their escorts.
- Teach children how to call 9-1-1 (or their local emergency number) if they have an emergency or become lost.

New to Crayons 2 Pencils Preschool this year will be a Parent night. This is a time when parents can come together and learn tips and tricks to working with their young children. I want to know what you are interested in knowing more about. Place an X below on any areas you would like more advice on. Cut this section out and send to class. Training session has not been scheduled yet.

- Bedtime Routine
- How to say No and Mean it
- Meal Time
- Rules and Follow through
- Setting Boundaries

- Blended Families/Step Families
- Temper tantrums
- Affective Time Outs
- Power Struggles – My child thinks they are in charge
- Other _____





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Teachers Notes:

Papier-mâché baloon, Extra Soft Pulp

Ingredients

Paper Napkins, Tissues or toilet tissue

Thin Paste or White glue

Method

Crumple napkins or tissue and cover with the paste. It is great to blow up a balloon and then cover with layers of papier-mache. You can mould details such as eyes, and noses etc. Once it is dry, pop the balloon and paint the papier-mache