

October, 2012

Dear Parents,

October has been such an exciting month for our class. Halloween is slowly creeping up on us, it is a time of seasonal excitement. Black cats, spiders, bats, jack-o-lanterns and ghosts have been invading our room. With this in mind, we have been keeping busy making fun art projects.

Some of our spooky songs and finger plays we have been learning are: "Black Cat," "Five Little Pumpkins," "The Goblin in the Dark," "Three Little Witches," "My Pumpkin is a Jolly Sprite," "I have a Cat," and "A Funny Old Woman with a Pointed Hat."

Besides preparing for Halloween, we have continued reviewing our colors and shapes. We have learned numbers 1,2,and 3. By the end of the school year they will have completed their very own Alphabet Book. I have also been working with the children on learning how to cut with scissors. It would be greatly appreciated if you could reinforce this skill at home.

Another skill that I have really been focusing on is following simple directions. Perhaps at home, you can give your child simple directions to do, and see if they can follow through with the task. My assistant and I are striving to have your children be more independent and do many tasks on their own without help. Ex.(Hanging up their own book bags, putting on their own coats, cleaning up after themselves). As your children start to learn these skills on their own, they begin to be more confident and have better self-esteem.

Each week we have continued learning a special religion lesson. The following is what we have covered so far: "God gave us the gift of taste, a sense of touch, ears to hear with, eyes to look and see with and a nose to smell with." We also learned that Jesus helped and cared for people and we can too.

I would like to Thank all of the Homeroom Moms who have helped put our Halloween parties together, and all the parents who signed-up to bring in goodies. Your help is greatly appreciated.

I hope that all of you have a BOOTIFUL, Safe and very Happy Halloween.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Sebastiani

