

Newsletter



OCTOBER 2025



Message From Directors

In October we are honored to celebrate ECE Appreciation Day, and recognize our amazing educators.

A Message to Our Educators:

We want to take a heartfelt moment to recognize and celebrate each of you—the incredible educators who make our school a place of wonder, growth, and belonging.

In a world that often moves too fast, you offer children the gift of slowing down, of noticing the changing leaves, the songs of birds, and the magic of the natural world around them. You create a learning environment that fosters curiosity, resilience, and connection—not just to nature, but to each other and to themselves.

We recognize the effort it takes to plan meaningful outdoor experiences, to adapt to changing weather, and to meet each child where they are—with compassion, patience, and care. You are more than educators; you are mentors, role models, and stewards of both education and the environment.

Thank you for your passion, your perseverance, and for all the ways—seen and unseen—you enrich the lives of the children and families in our community. You are truly appreciated, and we are so proud to have you as part of this community.

With appreciation and admiration,
Jackie, Tiffany, and Joelle



IMPORTANT DATES



Picture Day

Please note new date!



World Discovery Day

This month we will be staying close to home and learning all about Canada!



Community Day

We are excited to welcome Laurel from Meditating Munchkins to the school!



ECE Appreciation Day

A day to show our appreciation for Early Childhood Educators.



Pumpkin Carving & Clothing Swap

Details on following pages...



Fall Harvest Fun Day!

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Community Day

Meditating Munchkins™ introduces children ages 18 months – 6 years to the worlds of Mindfulness and Meditation in a gentle, loving and welcoming environment.

Through imaginative play, children are presented meditative strategies that they can easily use and share with friends & family.



The core values of the Meditating Munchkins™ program are:

1. Supporting the whole child – mind, body and spirit
2. Forging Friendships
3. Encouraging communication
4. Promoting Mental Health
5. Self-expression
6. Resiliency
7. Empathy and love for self, others and planet

WE ARE EXCITED TO WELCOME LAUREL FROM MEDITATING MUNCHKINS TO THE SCHOOL!

Pumpkin Carving



We will once again be participating in the **Grimsby Glows** event!

Our onsite event (to carve the pumpkins that will be used November 1st in the Grimsby event) will take place on Thursday October 30th from 4pm-6pm. Light refreshments will be offered.

DEADLINE FOR RESERVING A PUMPKIN IS OCTOBER 10, DON'T DELAY!

Please note that you are able to take your carved pumpkin home to display for Halloween, but we ask that you then **deliver it to Grimsby Glows on Saturday morning (November 1st) to be displayed at the event.**

Here is the sign up sheet:



PUMPKIN CARVING REQUEST FORM

Clothing Swap!

We will be hosting a clothing swap at our onsite Grimsby Glow Event (October 30th). We will set up racks and tables for items to be displayed.

Please drop off items you'd like to donate (to the side door) by the morning of October 30th and we will display the items at the onsite Grimsby Glows event. It will be a first come, first grab event and will not be staffed. This means we ask that all those who choose to take items are respectful and mindful of others who may be needing items.

FALL HARVEST FUN DAY **OCTOBER 31st**

This month our “Fun Day” will be a Fall Harvest celebration. Students and educators are encouraged to wear costumes. Please note that students will still be outside and will get messy; please be mindful of this when dressing them for the day.

We do allow families to bring in treats for students if they wish. Please do not label the treats that are brought in. We do ask that they be nut free and low sugar (which we know is hard!).

Reminders

A FEW REMINDERS FOR EACH PROGRAM:

- Please do not bring any food or toys from home
- Please check the weather before drop off, and dress your child so they are ready for the day
- Remember to label everything! This includes gloves, shoes, coats, socks, etc
- The children's backpacks are only accessed during transitions. Please ensure they are dropped off in their classroom/playground with what they need for the day (appropriate clothing and water bottle). Also, we encourage the students to carry their own backpacks. Please make sure the size of the backpack is appropriate (we will help with extra clothes bags).
- Please do your best to **drop off by 9:00am**, the official start time of all programs. This helps ensure each class can properly follow their schedule, and that no child misses out on learning that may take place in the morning.

Thank You!

HOW TO DRESS FOR THE FALL!

STARTING OUTSIDE

Please click below for helpful information on how to ensure your child is prepared for the outdoors. Especially this time of year, it is very important that children are dressed properly. This ensures they can fully participate in our program and that we can extend our time in nature.

Thank you all for your support!



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FOR THE
DRESSING FOR
FALL GUIDE**

TICK AWARENESS



**Ticks are still around,
even in the Fall! It is
important to check your
children for ticks,
especially on forest days!**

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