

# Red Room Newsletter

## September 2023



### Welcome

We would like to welcome all our recent Green Room graduates to our classroom. We can't wait to have a great and fun school year in the Red Room.

### Curriculum Units

**Week 1:** *Getting to Know Our Room: Bring a stamped envelope addressed to your grandparents on the 5<sup>th</sup> for mailing a Grandparent's Day card. Bring a picture of me on the 7<sup>th</sup> for Show and Tell.*

**Week 2:** *All About Me: Bring a picture of me on the 14<sup>th</sup>.*

**Week 3:** *Apples, Apples, Apples: Bring an apple on the 21<sup>st</sup>.*

**Week 4:** *My Name is Special: Bring something with your child's name on it on the 28<sup>th</sup>.*



### This Month's Preschool Skills

This month we will be focusing on following the classroom rules as well as the classroom routine. The children will be moving into a more structured environment and will be fine tuning their center choice time as well as learning new transitions. We will be working with the children to learn the letters of their names as well as writing their names this first month. We will also work on following 2-3 step directions. During our first week, we will be getting to know our class and introduce ourselves to each other. We will focus on learning the classroom routine, rules, and expectations. We will also be talking about Grandparents Day! The second week we will be focusing on our skills with cutting, tracing and following directions. The third week holds our delicious apple week. We will learn how apples can be sweet, sour, green, yellow, red etc... We will also discuss where apples grow and how you pick them. We then will focus on our fourth week learning each others' names and will begin learning how to spell them. The entire month of September, the students will be working on their name writing skills using the Zaner-Bloser (Manuscript) technique. It is important for them to learn Upper and Lower case letters and where they are in their names. We look forward to having a fun yet challenging new school year.

### CLC Closed

CLC will be closed Monday September 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of Labor Day. If Monday is a regularly scheduled day a vacation day will be posted to your account. Enjoy!!!



### Attention All Grandparents

In honor of Grandparents Day 2023 Red Room will be mailing a card to our Grandparents, in hopes that they will write us back. If you would like a card sent to your child's Grandparent, please bring a stamped envelope addressed to your child's Grandparents. Please hand the envelope to a teacher or place a post it notes with your child's name on the envelopes to ensure the cards make it to the right people.

### Show-n-Tell

We are excited to announce that show-n-tell will return this year in our classroom every Thursday. There will be a weekly theme that is listed above in the curriculum unit column of this newsletter to refer back to so you know what your child should bring for that week. Please label your child's items so we know who to return them to.

### Star of the Week

During the months to come, we will be having a "Star of the Week" for each child. At the beginning of each month there will be a hand out of questions about your child and their favorite things. We will be displaying them on our Star of the Week board in the classroom for an entire week. Your child will be encouraged to bring pictures and talk about them with their friends. Pictures will be safely returned at the end of the week. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask Miss Heather.



### Reminders:

- 1.) Please check calendars daily.
- 2.) Keep extra clothes on hooks and be sure they are seasonal and appropriate size.
- 3.) Breakfast is at 8:30am, lunch is at 11:30am and snack is at 2:30pm. Please feed your child at home if they will not be here by 8:30am.
- 4.) Dress accordingly for the weather. We do TRY to go outside each day and we need your children to be comfortable.
- 5.) Make sure you write your child's name on everything they own.



### Preschool Classroom:

The preschool classroom will be a very busy and noisy place. It may look like lots of play is going on, but in all that playing much learning will be happening. Preschool children learn best when they are playing, moving, touching, talking, and exploring. A typical day in our classrooms will have a flexible, but predictable schedule.

- We explore language through stories, songs, finger plays, and conversations.
- Literacy will be encouraged through printed words, food labels as well as calendar days and months.
- We will be building up our fine motor skills by coloring, painting, squishing play dough, and using manipulative toys.
- Our large muscles will get exercise while on the playground, playing special games and participating in music and movement.
- Math skills are enhanced by sorting, counting, and classifying.
- We will always be practicing our social skills as we try sharing toys, taking turns to speak and to listen, and using our manners during meal times.
- Self-help skills will be practiced as we put on our jackets, use the bathroom on our own and clean up after ourselves.

We look forward to having a great year in preschool!

### Schedule Change Forms

Please remember in order to ensure any changes made on a schedule change form, a form must be turned in no later than **noon on Monday for the following week**. Classroom and staff scheduling is usually completed by Monday afternoons and when schedule changes are turned in **after** noon that day, we cannot guarantee that your change(s) will be honored. Any questions please feel free to ask Miss Sandy; Preschool Program Director or the office and we will gladly do our best to help you out.

### Looking Ahead

\*CLC Closed September 4<sup>th</sup>

\*Bring a stamped, addressed envelope for your Grandparents week of September 5<sup>th</sup>

