

# OSLS Preschool

## 2016 October Newsletter



### Joy-the works of an inside job

You are a dedicated parent. You are a dedicated spouse. You are a dedicated co-worker. You are filled with countless priorities that encompass the details of your day to day. Working with each of you and seeing you everyday I would assume that a large part of your energy is spent on the dedication to make sure your child and family is happy! I see it! I see the effort you make to make sure your child is happy or what some would call joyful. Joy is such a beautiful Biblical principle, and quite possibly in my opinion the most important!

I recently came across an article that referenced the FISH philosophy. The inspiration of this way of interaction with others was actually from the creativity of the Pike Place Fish Market in Seattle, Washington. The philosophy is comprised of four simple steps for establishing a joyful and happy morale among those you work and encounter with: **1. Play 2. Make their day 3. Be there 4. Choose your attitude.** I know fish and family may not have that much in common, but the philosophy of their contagious positivity is worth looking at with our own day to day moments!

We all know that to say that we are always filled with happiness and positiveness is a stretch. The times that are filled with the hectic schedules and stressful deadlines are those of long nights and circles under the eyes. But here comes the good news-Joy is not something that we do or say to others, Joy is knowing that no matter what, our names are written in heaven! We have been given a wonderful gift with what Jesus brings, and this gift should be a constant and contagious reminder that we are loved and adored!

As you journey through this month with your family, train yourself to be present. Define your journey clearly and look at the attitude inside of you-is it pure? Is it authentic? Is it real? Does it reflect the sacrifice that Jesus made for you?

May each of you be filled with Joy this month. May it pour out into your parenting, your relationships, your work and your amazing children. May you never doubt or oversee the ability to be joyful on the inside and share with the outside that great news!

Take care and blessings to you,  
Katherine L. Yeakel  
OSLS Preschool Director

### OCTOBER REMINDERS

**10/12**

PTF Meeting @ 9am

**10/6 & 10/19**

Creature Feature: A live animal presentation!

**10/16**

FAM Walk

**10/17 & 10/8**

Earthquake Drills

**10/23**

Preschool Sunday! Children singing @10:30am

**10/17 & 10/18**

Earthquake Drills

**10/26**

Trunk-Or-Treat @ 6pm

**10/27 & 10/28**

Harvest Festival & Costume Parade @ 10:30am  
\*Help still needed\*

Fruit of the Spirit:  
JOY

**Galatians 5:22-23**

<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Chapel Offering for October will be given to: FAM Hunger Walk



Service Project for October will be the FAM Hunger Walk!  
October 16th  
Join the Our Savior's Lutheran team to join the fun!  
\*Meet at the SC community center\*

## Mrs. Hardison

Well, we are off to a great start this year. We have spent September getting to know each other and getting used to school routines. Both classes have come together so nicely. We have a great group of kids this year!

We have many fun activities planned in October. Our unit this month is exploring nocturnal animals. This is always a fun and exciting unit, which includes a hands-on exploration of animals through our Creature Feature visit. We will continue to work on counting skills and number concepts, such as more/less and ordering objects. We will also be exploring objects sorting them by their attributes. We are moving right along with name recognition and name writing.

## Mrs. Micallef

**Families Everywhere:** For Pre-K children, their family is the center of their world. The purpose of this second unit is to help children think about and explore the concept of family; their own families as families around the world. While focusing on this theme, children will explore different elements of the family unit; they will listen to selections and engage in activities that focus on the characteristics that families share and the things that make families unique. We will also be learning about the people who make up families and the relationships among them. Through reading and discussing, we will be helping children understand that the affection that family members have for one another is what truly distinguishes a family.

Along with the discussion of families, during this month we will address the season of fall and the changes associated with it; we will also discuss and celebrate Halloween (and safety).

## Mrs. Yeakel

Autumn brings a new season for Room 8! This entire month will be filled with sensory exploration of the fall details that surround us this time of year! Pumpkins, spice, and everything nice!

We will continue to work on fine tuning our names including recognition and print, focus on our new new Big Book letters, search for our sight words (keep working on THE) and begin our take home activities to include our literacy bags and supplements!

October also kicks off the holiday season-and as you know this month kids of all ages especially adore. Keep an eye out for how Room 8 will be celebrating the harvest season, including our Harvest Festival and Costume parade and Orange Day on 10/31!

Enjoy this season with your children-there are many learning opportunities this time of year-I pray you embrace it!

### Harvest Season at OSLS Preschool!

Preschool LOVES this time of year with your children! The sights and smells are just the beginnings of Autumn and fall!

There are two ways for you to help us extend the Harvest season here at OSLS Preschool:

1. We need pumpkins, gourds, hay and other festive objects for our Outdoor classroom. These objects will help the children investigate weight, color, growth, and shapes! Look for the sign up sheet at the parent table!
2. Our Preschool Harvest Festival needs volunteers! Come & help on 10/27 & 10/28 run an activity with our Preschool students! See sign up genius for more details!



*Joy is what happens to us when we allow ourselves to recognize how good things really are-*

*Marianne Williamson*



### Preschool Sunday!

Mark your calendars for our annual Preschool Sunday on 10/23 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church! We need your children's help to sing in our Preschool song for the OSLC congregation. Please arrive to OSLC no later than 10:15am so we may have a practice time in room one.