

# OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



## A note from the Director.

We are enjoying your children so much! Your children are playing so well together and really adapting to classroom routines. We have LOTS of fun things happening in October. Please read carefully the newsletter below!

As always, please don't hesitate to call with questions or concerns.

Working together,

Pam French, Director



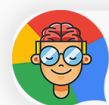
## FIELD TRIPS - OCT 16-19

10/16 - Bears, Ducks, Penguins, Tigers

10/17 - Dinosaurs, Fish, Squirrels, Bunnies

10/18 - Birds & Frogs

10/19 - Ladybugs, Turtles, Dolphins



Our classes will be going to **Paulus Farm Market, 1216 S. York Street, Mechanicsburg.** Please **bring your child** to the Market **by 8:45 a.m.** The **teachers will meet you at the Market.** Please park in the upper parking lot (carpooling, if possible) and walk to the lower lot to meet your class. **If you are NOT staying with your child, please pick up your child at 11:00 a.m.**

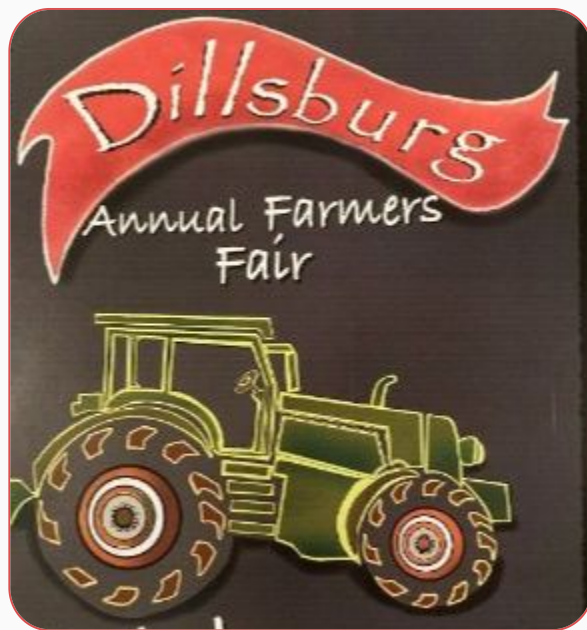
The tours will begin promptly at **9:00 a.m.** and will rotate through several stations: animal feeding/petting, hayride, picking pumpkins/gourds, and play stations. The children will also receive a cowlick-sized ice cream treat. **Each student** may have **one adult** accompany them for the day.

This field trip is for Mountainside students only; no siblings. **The cost for students will be \$8.00. The cost for adults accompanying their students will be \$4.00.** (Note: Adults **will not** be picking pumpkins..)

Please be sure to complete all of the information on the form that will come home with your child. **Please put the bottom half of your form and the money or check for the field trip in the Mountainside Mailbox.**

(Unfortunately, NO season passes can be used for our field trip)





Mountainside Preschool families will have the opportunity this year to walk in the Dillsburg Farmer's Fair Children's parade on **Friday, October 20th**. If you are interested in joining us, we will meet near the intersection of **Hanover St and 2nd St. by 6:45 PM**. Our theme will be "Jungle Animals.". Your child can come dressed in any **ANIMAL COSTUME**. (No adults are allowed to be in costume according to the fair.) **Every child who walks in the parade will need to be accompanied by one adult walking with them in the parade**. Some of our teachers and staff will be there to enjoy talking with you and your child, but **you will need to be responsible for your child the entire time**. The parade begins at 7 PM and lasts approximately 30-45 minutes. We will finish near the Post Office in Dillsburg. No need to sign up, just show up at the corner of Hanover and 2nd Street by 6:45 pm. . Please let us know if you have any questions. (717) 432-2155.

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## R & K Sub Sale begins Oct 2

Mountainside does a couple of fundraisers each year. The first fundraiser will be a sub and sandwich sale. This is a quick and cost-effective dinner for both your family as well as your friends and neighbors. **Sub orders were handed out and money is due on October 19. Subs will be available for pick up at dismissal on November 1st & 2nd.**

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## OCTOBER 4 & 5 Pre-K only

We are inviting our **Pre-K students only this month** to join us for Lunch Bunch on Wednesday, October 4, or Thursday, October 5th.

The Lunch Bunch program is a fun, social time that extends the preschool day for your student and will include lunch (brought from home), outside play, special activities, and time with friends. This program fosters table manners, social skills, and offers the children an opportunity to interact with preschoolers of other classes.

Children attending Lunch Bunch should bring a packed lunch and a drink from home that **does not** require refrigeration or microwaving. Make sure your child's **name is clearly marked** on his/her lunch bag. **NO PEANUT BUTTER, NUTS OR NUT BUTTERS OF ANY KIND.**

Pre-registration and payment for Lunch Bunch is due the Monday before Lunch Bunch will take place. This month's deadline to register is **Monday, October 2**. The Lunch Bunch form is at the link below. **The program fee is \$15 per child (separate from tuition)**. If you have signed up for ACH, you simply need to check the box on the online form and the money will be taken out after your child attends Lunch Bunch. If you are paying by cash or check you may place it in the Mountainside Mailbox. (**NOTE:** If paying by cash or check, your Lunch Bunch spot will not be reserved until both the online form and the money have been received by the office.)

[CLICK HERE FOR THE ONLINE LUNCH BUNCH SIGN-UP](#)



# Speech Screenings

Early identification and intervention give children the best chance at overcoming obstacles before they create larger difficulties when they begin school. My (Pam) youngest daughter did both occupational and speech therapy and it made a world of difference in her development and frustration level.

In early November, we will have a speech pathologist coming to screen some of our students for any potential speech delays. Our teachers will be recommending students for this screening and you will be notified if your child is recommended for this service.

If you have any concerns with your child and would like to take advantage of these free screenings, please contact the school office.



Our teachers have been observing and evaluating your child so they can develop goals and plans to help your child grow to their full potential this year. At the beginning of October, we will be asking you to sign up for a time to meet with your child's teacher so she can discuss her observations and goals with you! Be watching for an email to come with a link to an online sign-up for a conference time. We look forward to discussing how we can make this the best year for your child.

Here are the dates we are doing conferences:

**Oct 16 – Blue Birds**

**Oct 17 – Green Turtles**

**Oct 18 – Orange Tigers**

**Oct 19 – Purple Dinosaurs, White Bunnies**

**Oct 23 - Brown Bears,**

**Oct 24- Orange Fish**

**Oct 25 - Black Penguins**

**Oct 26- Red Ladybugs**

**Oct 27- Blue Dolphins, Yellow Ducks**

**Oct 30- Green Frogs**





OCTOBER 24 & 25

We will be using Lil' Angels Photography again this year. There is no money due on picture day. All children will be photographed. Proofs and order forms will be distributed about a week after picture day. After seeing the proofs and deciding what you would like to purchase, you will then submit an order form and money. There is no obligation to buy. Your child will bring home a paper with more details later this month. .



## COMMUNITY HELPER VISIT

This year we will be having the fire trucks and police officers visit the week of October 9th. Each class will get the opportunity throughout their morning to go out for a tour of the vehicle and a demonstration from the community helper on their role in our community.





# Volunteers Needed!



Join our team of volunteers at the preschool and make a lasting impact on your child's learning experience. Whether you can spare a few hours each week or just an occasional visit, your contribution will help create an engaging environment for our little learners. Sign up at the links below if you are interested in helping.

[Sign Up Here](#)

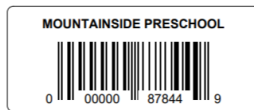


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Thank you to so many of you who took "apples" to help with our snacks for the fall. You may bring your donations at drop-off or pick-up anytime in September. Thank you so much for your snack donations. This helps us make fun and yummy snacks.



Sept 20 - Sub Sale Begins

Oct 4 & 5 - Lunch Bunch (Pre-K only)

Oct 9 & 10 - Wear orange today

Oct 10 & 11 - Fire Truck visit

Oct 16-19 - Field Trips

Oct 19 - Sub orders & money due (Pick Up Nov 1-2)

Oct 20 - No School, Farmer's Fair Parade (6:45 pm)

Oct 24 & 25 - Picture Day

**Our mailing address is:**

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