

**October 24-28**

**October Theme:** Community Helpers

**October Prayer:**

Oh, the Lord is good to me,  
And so I thank the Lord  
For giving me, the things I need  
The rain, the sun and the apple seed.  
The Lord's been good to me.



**Bible Verse :** "Be kind one to another." Ephesians 4:32

**Letter of the week:** Pp

**Pajama Day-** On Friday October 28 the children are invited to wear their pajamas to school! We will watch a movie and taste pumpkin chocolate chip muffins.

**Art-** The class will create five little pumpkins sitting on a gate, a mosaic pumpkin using torn construction paper, and a Peter the Pumpkin Eater puppet craft.

**Math -** Using pumpkin patch learning mats the children will match numbers 1-20 to dots 1-20. The class will create patterns and count pumpkin seeds.

**Science:** The class will be exploring pumpkins. We will discover if a pumpkin will float, compare it's weight to several classroom objects, and complete the scholastic magazine "Time to Pick a Pumpkin".

**Language Arts:** Using pumpkin patch learning mats the children will match lowercase ABC's to uppercase ABC's. The children will trace the ABC's using pumpkin patch tracing pages and will complete workbook pages for Pp.

**Dramatic Play:** The children will play post office. The class will create mailboxes and write letters to each other. The children will pretend to be veterinarians.

**Fall Sensory Bin:** The class will explore in our fall sensory bin which is filled with silk leaves, flowers, ribbons, baskets, and pumpkins. The children will be asked to create a leaf/pumpkin pattern.

**Computer:** The children will be playing Jump Start Preschool.

**Fine Motor/Visual Discrimination:** The class will be sorting Autumn beads such as scarecrows, leaves, and pumpkins. The class will fill Pp play-doh mats with balls of play-doh.

**Dates to remember:**

October 31 - The children will parade around the school in costume at 9:15am. Parents are welcome to join their child in the classroom after the parade for seasonal crafts and a sweet treat.

November 8 - Election day. School will be open. Carpool lanes will be closed, parents must walk their child to the classroom and parents must pick their child up from the classroom

**Scholastic Book Orders:** Parents can go to [www.scholastic.com](http://www.scholastic.com); access the "Parents" tab and view the current flyers available. Parents may order online with our access code and the books will be delivered to the school. Our access code is DXC44.

**A few of the books we will enjoy this week are:**

"The pumpkin patch parable" by: Liz Curtis Higgs

"Picking Apples and Pumpkins" by: Amy and Richard Hutchings

"How many seeds in a pumpkin" by: Margaret McNamara and G. Brian Karas

"Duck and Goose Find a Pumpkin" by: Tad Hills

"The Bear Detectives" by: Stan and Jan Berenstain

**Songs and Poems:**

**Peter Peter Pumpkin Eater**

Peter, Peter pumpkin-eater,  
Had a wife and couldn't keep her;  
He put her in a pumpkin shell,

and there he kept her very well.

**Mr. Pumpkin** (sung to : Are you sleeping)

Mr. Pumpkin, Mr. Pumpkin

Eyes so round, eyes so round

Fall is coming, Fall is coming

To my town, to my town.

**Five Little Pumpkins**

Five little pumpkins sitting on a gate,

The first one said, "oh my it's getting late,"

The second one said, "there's a chill in the air"

The third one said, "but we don't care"

The fourth one said, "we're ready for some fun,"

The fifth one said, "let's run, run, run,"

So woe went the wind, and out went the lights,

And the five little pumpkins rolled out of sight.