

The Little Tree Preschool Parent Newsletter



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As part of the Little Tree's commitment to communication and unity, we have developed a parent newsletter that will be sent out periodically. You will receive info on new happenings at the school, staffing changes, be invited to events and stay informed and involved in your child's education.

Cold & Flu Season

The Fall and Winter seasons are peak times for germs to make their way into our children's systems. We kindly ask that parents assess their child's health in the morning before drop-off, and determine if they are battling any cold or flu symptoms. If you think your child may be contagious, or feeling unwell in any way, please keep them at home. For both the common cold and the flu, the student may return to school after 24 hours of being symptom free. If the illness is a more serious one, the child may require a doctor's note stating that they can safely return to their classroom. Please refer to the parent handbook for a list of symptoms to be aware of.

In a preschool environment, germs can spread quickly and when a child is sent to school with a virus, it can have a lasting effect on the rest of the students and their families. Please consider that many families have younger siblings at home that may be affected as well. Little Tree Teachers conduct health checks each morning, and if a student is displaying any of the following symptoms, parents will be contacted to pick them up. Thank you advance for keeping our school a happy and healthy place!



Parent Handbook

Little Tree is updating the current Parent Handbook to incorporate the school's current policies and information. Handbooks will be distributed to all families once it is complete. Please let Ms. Lydia know if you have any questions.

Fall Festival & Fall Breakfast

All families are welcome to celebrate the Fall Season with Little Tree Preschool, and have 2 opportunities to do so. We understand the various schedules of families, especially during the holiday season, and want each child to feel involved with school celebrations. Even if your child does not attend Little Tree during the day of the celebration, you are welcome to attend anyway! Both events, will be potluck style. **Please label your dish with the ingredients, to avoid allergy or nutritional restriction conflicts.**

- **Fall Festival:** Friday, October 28th (6-9 PM).
- **Fall Breakfast:** Monday, October 31st (8:30—9:30)

Children are welcome to wear costumes to both events!

Parent Group Meetings

The Little Tree Parent Group Meetings will be held on 2 dates this month to accommodate family's schedules. As always, snacks and drinks will be provided, in addition to free childcare. The meetings are usually 1 hours (from 6—7 PM).

If you are unable to attend, the Parent's Group also welcomes grandparents and other active adults in your child's life and education!

- Friday, October 21st
- Monday, October 24th

Teacher Communication

We encourage families to discuss all matters during designated Staff/Teachers Office Hours. Discussing matters during pick-up/drop-off times may take away teachers' attention from students. Also, some matters may be more appropriate to discuss privately. If the matter is urgent, and parents cannot wait until office hours, giving Staff/Teachers a note during is a great alternative. Due to the varying schedules of each family, we ask that parents be considerate of this new protocol. If you have a recommendation to help us create more opportunities for communication, please let Ms. Lydia know! We appreciate and welcome family involvement. Office hours for each teacher is posted on the family involvement board.