

LITTLE GRIFFIN NEWS

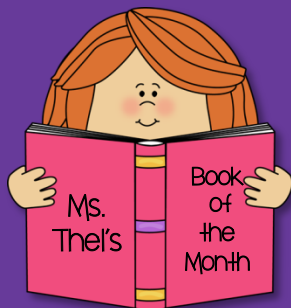
Southern Highlands Preschool October, 2015



Chores for young children

It is never too early to give your child age appropriate responsibilities (chores). The best part is that young children are enthusiastic helpers around the house. They will surprise you at how quickly they can start doing small tasks. Below are a few basic chores broken down into age groups to get you started. (The age groups are a guideline only. You know your child best!)

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| <u>2-3 year olds:</u> | <u>6-7 year olds:</u> |
| picking up toys | fold and put away laundry |
| placing dirty clothes in the hamper | empty dishwasher |
| throwing trash in the garbage | wipe off the table |
| bringing diapers or wipes | help put groceries away |
| dusting baseboards | clean their room |
| <u>4-5 year olds:</u> | |
| feed pets | |
| set and clear the table | |
| water plants | |
| use lightweight vacuums | |
| dust tables/furniture | |
| make their bed | |



THE UGLY PUMPKIN BY DAVE HOROWITZ

This book is about an ugly pumpkin who has anxiously waited all through October for someone to bring him home. But no one wants him. Follow him on his adventure to find the perfect home. Can he find where he belongs?

What's going on at SHPS in October?

As I walk around our school I can see that the children are full of smiles, engagement and learning. The fall weather is approaching and with it comes so many opportunities to explore nature and talk about change. The teachers are planning activities and focusing on themes that their students love. The Beginners class have been exploring color, emotions, and now transportation. Our three year olds are going to focus on bats and spiders next week. The Pre-K classrooms are working on themes like community helpers, bats, nocturnal animals and later Halloween!! Our Junior Kinders are working so hard on handwriting, sight words and exploring with apple science. Next they are moving on to spiders and pumpkins!

The biggest news for October is all things Halloween! You hear children talking about costumes, candy and trick or treating. Even the teachers AND principals dress up for our big Trunk or Treat event (parents you can too)! Get ready to have so much fun!

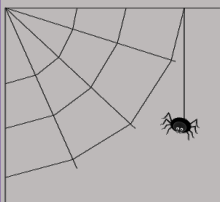
Parent Teacher Conferences are just around the corner. Your child does NOT have school that day but we do offer complimentary child care during your scheduled conference time. November 2nd is the conference day and the teacher will have a sign-up sheet in the classroom so that you can schedule an appointment to meet with her.

Happy October,
Thel Jackson
Preschool Principal



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH

Dates to Remember	Halloween Festivities	IMPORTANT
October 2 – No School Teacher In-service Day	October 29 th PAC Trunk or Treat	We would like to give our current families the opportunity to add days to your child's schedule before we enroll new students.
October 6 – Librarian Visit 9:30am - 0:30am	This is an ALL school event. You will receive further details from your child's teacher along with emails from the office.	
October 23 – Free Dress Friday	Classroom Parties	We will be contacting waitlist families for any available part time spots in our preschool.
October 29 – Halloween Parade and PAC Trunk or Treat	Each classroom will host their own party or event. Speak with your child's teacher.	
October 30 – No School Nevada Day		
November 2 – Parent Teacher Conferences- No School		



Halloween Parade
PAC - Trunk or Treat Event
Thursday, October 29th