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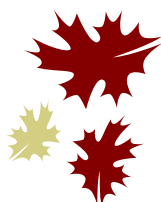
Open House for Prospective Families

Thursday, October 27 we will be hosting a Halloween Themed Open House for prospective families. Flyers for the Open House are being sent home today with your children. If you know of anyone who might be interested in The Academy, pass along the flyer to them. Families who refer new families will receive their referral bonus at the end of the school year.



Upcoming Events:

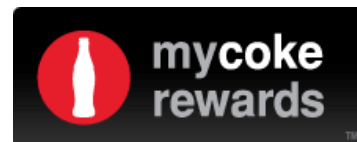
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| Oct. 22 | Halloween Dance |
| Oct. 25 | Field Trip to Central Baptist Village |
| Oct. 27 | Open House for Prospective Families 5:30pm |
| Oct. 28 | Goebbert's Field Trip |
| Oct. 29 | Trunk or Treat (church parking lot) after 4:00pm Mass. |
| Oct. 31 | Halloween |



Coke Rewards

Ms. Nancy registered The Academy for the My Coke Rewards for Schools program. All Coke products have points ranging from 3 to 25 points. Go to the website: mycokerewards.com/schools, register and start donating your points to The Academy.

Mrs. Hodge registered and already donated 20 points! When you go to the site, search for The Academy, and select us as your preferred school.



Box Tops

Collect your Box Tops!! Ms. Angie sent home a reminder last week about collecting and trimming your Box Tops. Every Box Top earns \$0.10 for the school. For every 25 Box Tops your child submits he or she will earn an out of uniform pass! Last year we earned close to \$200 in Box Tops.



Halloween Dance

Our Halloween Dance is Saturday, October 22. Get your tickets now! Tickets are only \$30/family, but if you bring items to donate for the Salvation Army, the tickets are only \$25/family.

Join us for some dancing, snacks, and a lot of Halloween fun! Remember to come dressed in your Halloween costume for the family costume contest!



Parking

Thank you to the many parents that already use the back parking lot off of Sunnyside for both drop-off and pick-up. For the safety of our students, we ask that everyone use this parking lot. **Be sure to use ONLY the back parking lot for both drop-off and pick-up.**

Thank you for your cooperation!



Target

We are registered with Target: Take Charge of Education. Who doesn't love Target? Now we can shop at Target and give back to The Academy. More information about the program will be emailed to all parents. The School ID number is: 152543.

Go to the following link to find our school:
<https://sites.target.com/site/en/corporate/page.jsp?contentId=PRD03-005174>

Reminder

- Please remember: When submitting orders and payments, No Late Orders will be accepted.
- No change will be given. The Academy does not keep cash on hand for change. When making cash payments, please give the exact amount. If you do not give the exact amount, the extra money will be counted as a donation to The Academy.

Check out what's happening in our classrooms...

Ms. Margaret's Pre-School

This week in Ms. Margaret's class the children are learning that God Made the World and named some of the animals that God made.

The children made Alphabuddy Doctor D. Doggie, painted the letter D, used shaving cream to make the letter D, and connect the dots for letter D.

The children enjoyed listening to Pumpkin Circle: The Story of a Garden by Shmuel Thale, Why Do Leaves Change Colors by Betsy Maestro, Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf by Lois Ehlert, Leaves! Leaves! Leaves! By Nancy Elizabeth Wallace, and Leaf Jumpers by Carole Gerber.

The children looked at several different types of small pumpkins and made predictions if they would sink or float in water. We tested it out. They all floated. They also made observations of leaves that had changed colors.

The children worked on ABA patterning using yellow and red disks and made a graph that tallied to show their favorite color of leaf.

Ms. Nancy's Pre-Kindergarten

This week we explored leaves in science. The children loved looking at leaves through a magnifying glass and describing what they saw.

We continued working on our first names and the children are doing very well. In reading, they are working very hard with our story The Three Little Bears and learning all about cottages, big, small, medium, and the color blue. We made porridge so that the children can taste what Goldilock's likes so much.

The students made mystery letters in class this week. They painted the hidden letters with watercolors and the letters popped out at them on paper. There were a lot of giggles doing this activity. On Friday, we are having witches day in our classroom. We will be making witches brew and playing some games and other surprises.

Looking ahead...

- Goebert's Pumpkin Farm
- Pumpkin Day in our classroom
- How many letters are in your name?

Ms. Kim's Kindergarten

The kindergarteners have been working hard on our new Superkids book, Golly, who is actually a dog. Today the students read through a poem called "At the Zoo" and found all the rhyming words that were in it. In math we have been working on our new Envision math. The students are learning how to use counters to help count, one-to-one correspondence, and writing numbers. The second graders have begun learning about heroes in the Church. We will also be reading the story "The Good Samaritan".

Mrs. Sibick's Multi-age Classroom

It's been a busy week in the multi-age class. The students enjoyed visiting the Las Palmas Restaurant. They saw how tortillas were made. In Math, the students are busy writing addition sentences and completing word problems. In Science, Victoria Puchyr taught the class about what living things need to survive and demonstrated how flowers bloom. In Reading, first graders liked the story, Doc's Patch It Up Shop. Please ask your child about their favorite part. Similar to the first graders, the second graders are excited about reading Frog and Toad Together. They are working on answering "in my head questions," which require inferring and deep thought. These questions are part of the Q.A.R. (question answer relationship) and help students think about their learning. It's been a great week!