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EXETER DAY SCHOOL

October News

Happy Halloween!

From the Principal



It is getting very cold out on the playground. Please send your children to school with warm coats, hats and mittens. If they wear boots to school they will need slippers to change into.

LABEL, LABEL, LABEL! I can't stress this enough. If you **label everything** we can make sure your child's clothes come home.

Registration information will go out next week for the 2010-2011 school year for all classes except the three day morning which will open in December. I apologize for having to send it out so early in the new school year but new families are coming to tour the school and I want to make sure that current families have the opportunity to register before new families. If you have any questions about this process please call the school.

We currently have openings in our 5- day morning pre-k, and our 2 day and 4 day afternoon classes. Please help us spread the word!

Parent Center

We are having Open House on October 21 for 3-day and 4- day classes and October 22 for 2 day classes. *These evenings are for parents only.* A separate notice was sent home with a date and time schedule. During this evening you will be given a run through of a typical day in your child's school experience. You will also have the opportunity to sign up for a November conference at that time.

We are closed on Nov. 10th for Parent-Teacher conferences. Some teachers have several

classes and cannot fit all of the conferences in on that day so they will conference on additional days. There **will be school for the children** on these other days. There will be substitutes in the classrooms.

We are still collecting the Boxtops for Education that are on several brands of food. Please collect them and send them in to school. We receive 10 cents for each boxtop. Thank you to Mary Willis for handling this program for us this year.

Portrait Designs is coming in on Wednesday, Nov. 4th to take holiday pictures of children who have signed up. Please call the school to set up an appointment. You are welcome to bring siblings as well. You may speak to Joan or Pam.

Permission forms will go home for speech screenings that will take place on Nov. 16th and 17th.

Mr. Lassonde still has spots available on Tuesdays for piano lessons. If interested please give him a call.

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The Giving Tree

- Old magazines like *Better Homes and Gardens, Family Circle, Woman's Day Etc.*
- Paper fasteners (brads)
- Magnetic Tape



Out of the Mouths of Babes

Ms. A was talking to her children about staying healthy and brushing their teeth. A girl said, "You have to brush your teeth when it's sunny so you don't get pirates in your teeth."



A boy excitedly told me that he crossed the monkey bars. I asked him how many times he has crossed them. He answered, "30-10 manies."

Ms. A passed around a sea sponge for the children to examine. She asked them what it looked like. "Oatmeal" someone replied.

I was out on the playground and saw two children looking under the bench. I asked what they were looking for. They told me "money," I asked why they thought there would be money under the bench. They informed me "There is every day when we come!" I guess they figured out that people lose change from their pockets when they sit on this bench.

Mrs. Styles told me her students told her that *playdates* are "when some-

one comes to your house" and *polite* means "You have to be!"

During a fun-filled day of ooey gooey activities a girl asked, "After we finish our work can we play?"

A girl ran into the playroom toward the bikes and said, "I want to use one of two headed bikes!" I imagine this was the two seater.

A girl saw Ray getting out of his car, "Look, there's the mujsic teacher, Mr. Baboon!"

Someone said she had to go to the bathroom. The teacher told her to use the one in the playroom. "That's not the playroom it's the rainy room!"

When EFD came with the fire trucks that asked the kids, "What do you do if your clothes are on fire?" "You don't wear those ones!" was the reply.

Speaking of pirates, Mrs. Daigle overheard someone on the playground call out "We're pirates! Run for your legs!"

During the trip to Apple Annie's some children noticed there was hair in the dog's ears. One girl announced, "My daddy has hair in his arm pits!" At which time several other girls chimed in, "So does my daddy!"

Parents Committee

Parents Committee is looking for volunteers to chair the Float Committee and help construct the float for the Exeter Holiday Parade. Our school has entered a float every year and usually comes home with a trophy. Since this is the school's 70th Anniversary (we are the longest running pre-school in the State of NH) it would be nice to have a float to represent us. If you can help out with this float please give us a call.

The Innisbrook orders have gone out. They should be here at school within a few weeks.

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Information for the T-shirt/sweatshirt orders have gone home. Samples of plain T-shirts for sizing will be available during Open House next week or you can stop in any time to check them out. There will also be a color photo of the new design.

From the Office



Monthly

Monthly and quarterly tuitions were due on October 1st. Final payments for Cooking, and Rhythm of the World classes were also due Oct. 1st.

If you need to drop your child off earlier than their regular drop off time, we do have an early morning drop off program. Children can come to school as early as 7:30 M-F. This can be used on a drop in basis for \$6.00 per day.

You can call as late as that morning.

Extended day is billed for days you contracted in advance. If you are a regular user you will be billed in advance. Drop in users are billed at the end of the month.

Board of Directors

The board of directors will be hosting our annual Pot Luck Dinner on Friday, Nov. 6th. This is a parent only event as well. Please mark your calendar and *book a babysitter*. This is a very enjoyable event at the Day School. Invitations with information on what type of dish to bring will go home in the near future.

There will be a slide show featuring every child in the school.

Special Events

We had a visit from the Exeter Fire Department today, Oct. 16th, in honor of Fire Prevention Week. Fire fighters came to explain their form and the fire truck.



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We will celebrate Halloween on Oct 29 for 2 and 4 day classes and Oct 30 for 5 day and 3 day classes. All children should come to school in costume and either have regular clothes underneath the costume or in a backpack to change into. A separate notice went out about this as well.



Ooey Gooley Day was a huge success. The children had a lot of fun and were very cooperative.



Thank you to the staff and all of the volunteers to help make this Messy day such a great success. Check out our website to see the 70 that the children formed on the playground. You will see several pictures of this day in the slide show a our Pot Luck dinner.

Please leave all weapons at home even if they are part of the costume.

Room mothers may contact you to send in an item for the party. Please do not

ORANGE AND BLACK DAYS!!! Children should wear orange and/or black to school on Oct 26th (3, 4, and 5 day classes) and 27th (2 day classes.)

Mark Your Calendars



October



Oct. 1st– Red Day
Oct. 12– NO SCHOOL, Columbus Day
Oct 14- Ooey Gooley Day
Oct. 16– Visit from Exeter Fire Dept.
Oct. 21– Open House, 3 and 4-Day Classes
Oct. 22- Open House, 2-Day Classes
Oct. 22– Trip to Stratham Hill Park—5-Day
Oct. 26 & 27– Orange and Black Days
Oct. 29– Halloween 2 & 4 DAY
Oct. 30– Halloween 3 & 5 DAY

November



Nov. 4– Portrait Design Picture Day
Nov. 6– Pot Luck Dinner
Nov. 10– Parent/Teacher Conferences
(No school for students)
Nov. 11– NO SCHOOL, Veteran’s Day
Nov. 16 & 17 – Speech Screenings by
Clearly Speaking
Nov. 25-27– Thanksgiving Break