

Patti's News!



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A Note From Our Director

We are off to a great start! The children are settling in, and we appreciate all of you parents being so patient while we work through separation issues. I know it is very difficult to leave when your child is crying, but it is often better to make a quick exit rather than linger. We are here with open arms to comfort your child, and rest assured we are used to this. If we feel we need to call you, we will. So far things are going very well. We are enjoying getting to know your children and are excited for a great year!

- Cathy Jankovich

Halloween Fun For Everyone



1. Keep costumes light weight and comfortable.
2. Be sure your child's vision isn't obscured by a mask.
3. Have your child wear a reflector, glowstick or light of some sort.
4. There's nothing like a sugar rush on an empty stomach, so serve a healthy dinner before you go out trick-or-treating!
5. Only eat treats that are sealed in their original wrappers.
6. Avoid homes that are dark or unwelcoming.
7. Have fun!

Round and orange, scooped out clean,
Face all carved for Halloween,
A glowing light inside of me,
Can you guess who I might be?

Big dark eyes, a body white,
Floating by on Halloween night,
I enter a house without a key,
Can you guess who I might be?

Taken from the book "Who's There On Halloween?" by Pamela Conn Beall & Susan Hagen Nipp.

Birthday Celebrations

We love to party at Patti's! If your child has a special day coming up, and you would like to bring treats to share with the class, please talk with Cathy ahead of time. We welcome homemade or store-bought items, but it is helpful to know the ingredients. Please remember we are "peanut free" at Patti's and have a number of children with severe allergies. If your child has an allergy, and can't eat what is being offered, you may wish to supply us with a secret stash to keep on hand for such occasions.

Themes For This Month



Apples, Leaves & Trees

Halloween

Afternoon Enrichment

Looking for an enrichment program to complement your child's preschool schedule? Patti's still has openings available in the afternoon for 3 - 5 year olds. Please see Cathy for more details.

Pizza & Pumpkin Night



Tuesday, October 23rd
6:00 p.m. — 7:30 p.m.

Mark your calendar for an evening of Halloween fun! Our annual father / child pizza & pumpkin painting is a Patti's tradition. Cost is \$10.00 and space is limited, so be sure to sign up early.

B.Y.O.P.
(Bring Your Own Pumpkin)



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 are witches in the air."
 The third one said, "Oh, we don't care."
 The fourth one said, "Let's run and run and run."
 The fifth one said, "It's only Halloween fun."
 OOOOO went the wind and OUT went the light.
 And the five little pumpkins rolled out of sight.

Happy Birthday To You



Anna Bertlin
 Noah Burnside
 Hudson Evernden
 Henry Matheson
 Malcolm McDonough
 William McKell
 Evan O'Donoghue
 Brandon Patascil
 Julia Pearman



Island Events

MIPA Toy Swap

Saturday, October 13th
 Islander Middle School
 Opens at 9:00 a.m.

Children's Story Time

Saturday, October 13th
 Island Books
 Starts at 11:00 a.m.

MIPA Halloween Party

Saturday, October 27th
 Islander Middle School
 Runs 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Indoor Playground

Community Center
 Tuesday 2:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.
 Thursday 9:30 a.m.—Noon
 Friday 2:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Rainy Day Gym

Boys & Girls Club
 Wednesday 9:30 a.m.—Noon

For more information, visit
www.mipreschoolassociation.org

Spooky Halloween Pizza

- 1 Pizza Shell
- 1 Jar Pizza Sauce
- 4 Slices Mozzarella Cheese
- Halloween Cookie Cutters

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Prepare pizza shell with sauce and any other toppings you desire. Use cookie cutters to press Halloween shapes out of the Mozzarella cheese. Arrange shapes on the pizza. Bake 10—12 minutes or until golden brown and cheese is melted. Boo!

Fall Back



We return to Standard Time on Sunday, October 28th. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night.