



# Village News

October, 2009

## Beautiful Fall is Here!

We are looking forward to enjoying the autumn mountain weather with the villagers



*Lots of great outdoor fun is planned.*

## Our New School Pledge

We have adopted a school pledge from the Kindness Curriculum, by Judith Anne Rice. This pledge will be talked about daily and posted in all of our Village classrooms.

### **The Kindness Pledge**

*"I pledge to myself, on this day  
To try to be kind in every way  
To every person, big and small  
I will help them if they fall  
When I love myself & others too  
That is the best that I can do!"*

Perhaps families can practice the pledge at home too!



### **\*PARENTS**

Please remember to **drive slowly** in and around the Village.

\*Your child's **Ages and Stages** profile has been sent home for your review. Please return them so that we can set up conferences with all parents.

\*We have set up **teacher email addresses**, so that parents and teachers can communicate more easily. Along with printing them for you in this newsletter, they will always be available on our web site.

\***OOPS!** In our last newsletter, we forgot to talk about wonderful **Ms. Cassidy**. She works in the mornings in the Infant & Toddler Room. She will also fill in and sub as needed upstairs.

\***AND** we are excited to have **Ms. Claudia** (August's mom) here to do **Science Lessons** with our Preschool Villagers

\***More Riverlink classes coming !!**



## Class News For You

We are adding this new section to our newsletter, so that each class can talk about the activities for the upcoming month

### TWO's ....

We have lots of fun activities planned for the month of October, so be on the look out! Our themes for this month are Fall, Fire Safety, and Halloween. Along with these fun themes, we will continue working on our letters, shapes, colors and numbers. If you have any books, toys or props related to these themes that you would like to share with the class, we would love to see them. Our class will be decorating small pumpkins for Halloween, so we ask you to bring one in for your child by October 18<sup>th</sup>. We will be having a fall party on October 30<sup>th</sup>. On this day, your child may dress in a costume. There will be a sign up sheet near the end of the month for bringing in treats.

**HAPPY FALL !**

*Ms. Ashley & Ms. Brandi*

### TODDLER'S - Farm Room

The Farm Room is looking forward to fall. We will be talking about the leaves turning colors and falling to the earth. We will also

be talking about pumpkins and fire prevention. Please bring in a mini pumpkin for your child so that we can have fun decorating them! A reminder to parents: Please bring in a change of clothes to leave at the Village, appropriate for the cool fall weather.

**THANK YOU!**

*Ms. Trisha & Ms. Lael*

### INFANTS - Sea Room

Hello Parents! We are growing in our Baby Room! All of our babies are doing great, and we are ready for the beautiful Fall weather. Please remember, due to the volume of large diaper bags, we are requesting that parents bring in smaller bags. This will help keep up good sanitation and space issues. Bring in an extra pair of warm clothes to keep in cubbies, appropriate for fall weather. We love to go outside! If you have any questions, please let us know.

**THANK YOU!**

*Ms. Petra & Ms. Anna.*

### PRESCHOOL - Jungle Room

The Preschool wants to say Happy Fall! We are very excited about the upcoming season and the changing weather. Our friends are continuing to work on writing our letters and letter sounds. We will concentrate on one letter per week. The first weekly theme of the month will be Feelings & Emotions. The second theme will be Fire Safety, complete with a visit from the Swannanoa fire department. Next, we will be talking about the season changing to Fall. We will end the month with a Halloween/Harvest theme. We are planning a celebration on Friday the 30<sup>th</sup>. Feel free to bring treats and your children in costume, if you like. If you are able, bring in a small pumpkin to decorate. As always, your comments are appreciated.

**HAVE A HAPPY OCTOBER!**

*Ms. Sadie & Ms. Tara*

## Did We Mention ??

That our new Villagers are all making a good adjustment to our program?



*We're all connected now and enjoying each other !!*

## As We Promised.....

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## Recommended Reading:

### Green Clean: The Environmentally Sound Guide To Cleaning Your Home

*By Linda Mason Hunter & Mikki Halpin*

Making the switch to a toxin-free, naturally clean home does great things for the environment, but also has the potential to **improve the health of you and your children**. Recipes are given for the most common cleaning challenges. They include everyday ingredients such as baking soda, vinegar and lemons.

*Give it a try and tell us what you think!*

*Book available in our parent resource library.*

### Helpful Green Clean Web Sites

[www.seventhgeneration.com](http://www.seventhgeneration.com)

[www.methodhome.com](http://www.methodhome.com)

[www.care2.com](http://www.care2.com)

### Household Cleaner Red Flags

Chlorine Bleach  
(Sodium Hypochlorite)

Ammonia

Triclosan

Diethanolamine (DEA)

Triethanolamine (TEA)



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