

September Newsletter

Garden Patch CLC

When we think about the milestones a child accomplishes, we typically think of things like the first time rolling over, taking those first steps, or sleeping through the night. While these are definitely milestones we celebrate as we watch a child grow, we also love celebrating the big and little accomplishments along the way.

One of my favorite milestones to watch is when a child helps with picking up toys and realizes, "I did that!" Another favorite is when a child learns to put on their shoes all by themselves, with bonus points if the shoes end up on the correct feet! Milestones happen when a child writes their name for the first time, zips their own coat, or bravely asks a new friend to play. Sometimes these moments may seem small to an adult but are actually really big steps for a growing child.

As our teachers get to know their new classes and build relationships with their students, they are also creating opportunities for new milestones to happen. We can't wait to watch our children learn, grow, try new things, and surprise themselves with what they can do.

Thank you for allowing us to be a part of these moments and to celebrate your children's milestones right alongside you!

Jill Weidenbach, Director

September Birthdays

Ava B.	September 8
Maeve J.	September 18
Karter Y.	September 20
Charlotte H.	September 24
Gemma T.	September 24
Landon S.	September 26
Isla L.	September 28
Harlow D.	September 29
Maizi Y.	September 29

Just a reminder
we will be closed

Monday,
September 7
in observance of
Labor Day



Pumpkin French Toast Casserole

1 loaf cinnamon-raisin bread
1 package (8 oz) cream cheese, cut into small cubes
1 can (12 oz) evaporated milk
2/3 c. packed brown sugar
2 tsp. ground cinnamon
1/4 tsp. ground ginger
1/2 tsp. salt
Confectioners' sugar and warmed maple syrup for serving

8 eggs
1 cup canned pumpkin
1/2 c. milk
1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg
1/8 tsp. ground cloves
1/2 c. chopped pecans (optional)

Cut each slice of bread into quarters. Arrange half the bread in a greased 13x9-in. baking dish; layer with cubed cream cheese and remaining bread, pressing down slightly.

In a large bowl, whisk eggs, evaporated milk, pumpkin, brown sugar, milk, spices and salt. Pour over top. Refrigerate, covered, overnight.

Preheat oven to 350°. Remove casserole from refrigerator while oven heats. Bake, covered, 40 minutes. Uncover; sprinkle with pecans. Bake, uncovered, 25-30 minutes or until lightly browned and a knife inserted in center comes out clean.

Let stand 5-10 minutes before serving. If desired, dust with confectioners' sugar and serve with maple syrup.



Celebrating Milestones

Join us in celebrating staff who are marking work anniversaries this month. Thanks for being part of what makes our team great!

17 years	Alyssa A.	Office Manager
7 years	Jill W.	Grasshopper's Teacher
3 years	Mahrookh R.	Floating Teacher
3 years	Brian S.	Evening Supervisor
1 year	Savannah P.	Dragonflies' Teacher



Just a few of the many activities our children enjoyed during the first month of school! Each day, our teachers create fun and engaging experiences that encourage children to explore, learn, and show all they can accomplish.

Scholastic Book Fair

Haven't had a chance to get a new book?
There's still time!

Garden Patch Lobby August 27–September 2

Check out some of the book options:
<https://www.scholastic.com/bfgardenpatchclc>

You can also order online through September 9th.
Orders will ship directly to your house

Help us reach our goal to sell 300 books or \$2500!

September Toddler & Preschool Themes

Week of August 31 Week of September 7 Week of September 14 Week of September 21 Week of September 28	Our 5 Senses Growing Healthy & Strong The People in Our Neighborhood Apples to Apples Life on the Farm
Toddler Numbers of the Month 2 & 3	Preschool Numbers of the Month 4, 5, 6, & 7
Letters of the Month C, D, E	
Color of the Month Yellow/Amarillo	Shape of the Month Triangle
Social Skill of the Month: Listening & Following Directions	Character Skill of the Month: Respect
Preschool Assessment Focus: Matching & Sorting	
Pre-K Spanish Focus: Greetings	

Important Days in September

Through September 2 – Scholastic Book Fair

Tuesday, September 15 – Fire Truck Visit

Monday, September 21 – Happy 17th Birthday, Garden Patch
 – Wear **Green** to celebrate

Wednesday, September 30 – Pajama Day

Every Friday in September– Wear Your Favorite Team Shirt