

# TINY TOTS and LITTLE TYKES inc.

## October 2020 Preschool News



### DEAR PARENTS

The school year is off to a great start!

October is filled with many fun events such as Fire Prevention Week/Fire Safety Month and Halloween Fun!

\*Remember to be sending jackets and hats as the colder weather begins. Label everything with your child's first & last name.

\*Also remember to bring your backpack each day to preschool.

### NO PRESCHOOL

There will be **NO PRESCHOOL** on Thursday & Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> in observance of MEA. Classes resume on Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

### VISIT FROM WSP PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS

A few public safety officers will visit on Tuesday & Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. to talk about general safety. Since October is "Fire Prevention Month" they will be providing coloring books, stickers, etc.

### HALLOWEEN FUN



We will have some Halloween festivities on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. Have your child come dressed in their costume. The children are encouraged NOT to bring candy to share.

### LOOKING AHEAD

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for Monday & Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> during preschool hours. These will be by phone only. **THERE IS NO PRESCHOOL ON THESE DAYS.**

Watch for a sheet that will have a scheduled day & time for you to talk with Jackie. Please let us know if you cannot meet on that scheduled day & time.



## HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS DURING COVID-19



### LOWER RISK ACTIVITIES

- ~Carving or decorating pumpkins with members of your household and displaying them
- ~Carving or decorating pumpkins outside, at a safe distance, with neighbors or friends
- ~Decorating your house, apartment, or living space
- ~Doing a Halloween scavenger hunt where children are given lists of Halloween-themed things to look for while they walk outdoors from house to house admiring Halloween decorations at a distance
- ~Have a virtual Halloween costume contest
- ~Having a Halloween movie night with people you live with
- ~Having a scavenger hunt-style trick-or-treat search with your household members in or around your home rather than going house to house

### HIGHER RISK ACTIVITIES

- ~Participating in traditional trick-or-treating where treats are handed to children who go door to door
- ~Having trunk-or-treats where treats are handed out from trunks of cars lined up in large parking lots
- ~Attending crowded costume parties held indoors
- ~Going to an indoor haunted house where people may be crowded together and screaming
- ~Going on hayrides or tractor rides with people who are not in your household

For more information from the CDC visit the Center for Disease Control's website.  
(<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html#halloween>)



### TYKES CORNER

October is *National Bullying Prevention Month*.

We will be participating in the “Kindness in Chalk” event again this year. “Kindness in Chalk” is a movement started by [www.minnemamaadventures.com](http://www.minnemamaadventures.com). On Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> we will have chalk available on our front sidewalk. So, grab a piece and draw/write a message with your child (ren).

**Did you know that all classrooms here at Tiny Tots have a Kindness Tree?** When a child does something kind they are able to pin something on the tree.

It is very important that we keep all our children safe. The following link will take you directly to the Parent's Page on the “Stomp Out Bullying” website:  
[Stomp Out Bullying Parent Page.](#)

This website is a great resource for tips on signs to look for that could mean your child is being bullied or may even be bullying.

**Also, be sure to check out the Parent Education section on our website for this month's topic: *Parking Lot Safety Tips*.**