



President's Message

Dear Parents,

First, I can't thank everyone enough for their attendance and participation at our Open House. Although I was unable to attend, and despite the weather, I heard nothing but rave reviews! Open House always a great way to start the year and meet new classmates. Big thanks to our entire Board of Directors for their help in making the event such a success. Please remember our board members are parent volunteers committed to making CPI the best preschool in the area. I also appreciate the teachers being so gracious and letting us interrupt their orientations to gather votes for the annual budget.

October is an exciting month at CPI. Students are beginning to become comfortable with the routines of preschool. For children, this may mean playing with other kids versus playing alone; the excitement of knowing it is a school day; or even getting out of the car without making tears. For the parents, it might be co-oping and seeing your child interact in a classroom setting; having some hours for yourself; or possibly the realization that you have figured out our drop-off and pick-up procedure!

Please check your child's tote bag daily so that you don't miss anything important! For example, this month we will be having another Spirit Night and our always popular Scholastic Book Fair. We are in need of volunteers to help our preschoolers do a little shopping so please consider signing up to be a volunteer! At the end of the month we will be hosting our Mixed Bag Design fundraisers which is a great opportunity to stock up on eco-friendly bags and gifts for friends and family! It's never too early to think about holiday gifts.

Another highlight of the month is our Halloween parties and parade. Trust me when I say, this is an event you don't want to miss. It is always a treat to see the kids march in their costumes.

I hope every family is enjoying the new school year as much as mine. If there is anything I can do to make your experience better, please do not hesitate to reach out via email kellyeignor@hotmail.com

Sincerely, Kelly

Great Beginnings

Laurie & Elaine

Our class is off to a great start! We are getting to know each other, practicing our daily routines, making some fun art projects and singing songs-The Wheels on the Bus is a favorite! Playdoh has been a big hit with our class and so is our time on the playground.



In October we'll finish our Color Unit and work on Fall, Spiders, Pumpkins and Halloween. We will have Fitness Day on Tuesday Oct 13 and our Halloween Party will be Thursday Oct 29. We will have a parade immediately after drop off in the morning.

If your child would like to wear his/her costume, please have them dressed and ready and bring your camera.

Elaine and I are enjoying working with your children and look forward to having a great year!

October Song

"Tune: Are You Sleeping"

It's October, It's October

Leaves will fall, leaves will fall

Halloween is coming, Halloween is coming

You better watch out! You better watch out!

Three's Company

Teresa & Jeannie

September was such a fun month. Your children have adjusted beautifully and are doing a great job following our routines. Please review at home our #1 safety rule: only grown-ups open the door in school or the gate on the playground. Please remember to

keep a change of clothes in a Ziploc bag in your child's tote bag.

We have begun our color unit and particularly enjoyed sampling apples as we discussed the color red. In October we will explore the season of fall and the changes it brings around us. Our class will enjoy a Fitness Day, and towards the end of the month we will have fun with our Halloween unit.

Halloween parties and parades will be held on Thursday, October 29 and Friday, October 30. Please send your child to school in his/her costume that day. We will have a small parade with costumes.

All Aboard for Fours

Diana, Maggie & Ann

Our school year is off to a great start. The children are adjusting to our routines and making new friends. September flew by as we talked about vacations, apples, shapes, colors, and our friend the turtle. The kids were very proud of their dough turtles they painted and put in a shoebox home.

We have started our music instruction. The kids are having fun learning new songs, practicing rhythms, using various instruments and dancing freely to interesting beats.



In October, we will learn about Christopher Columbus, spiders, squirrels, "creatures of the night," the human skeleton, and autumn leaves. Be on the lookout for your child practicing his/her name, too. Remember to capitalize the first letter, using lower case on all other letters.

We will wear costumes to school for our Halloween parties. Ms. Rosener's party will be Thursday, October 29; While Ms. Boles and Ms. Carrol will celebrate on Friday, October 30. Please label any removable parts with your child's name. We will have a fun party with many games, along with a Halloween parade so you can come see all of our costumes.

Creative Kids

Elaine & Jen

We're having a great time in Creative Kids! Last month we had fun painting, coloring with wet chalk, making beaded apple sun catchers, and cork apple trees. We played with colored shaving cream & water beads, finger paint, corn, beans and rice.



October plans include, painting on foil, "smash paint" pumpkins, leaf ghosts, a pumpkin patch filled with handprint jack-o-lanterns, and more! We'll make some Goblin Goo, colored spaghetti, pumpkin playdough, and we'll make our own "concoctions" with flour, canned pumpkin, and spices using measuring spoons and cups.



School News

Recess

All classes will take full advantage of the playground. Please send your student to school each day dressed for outdoor play, especially as the weather turns cooler. It is always helpful to have all outerwear items labeled clearly with their name.

Keeping Children Home

Please remember that children exhibiting any signs of illness (runny nose, fever, coughing, vomiting, diarrhea, communicable disease symptoms) are too sick to be attending school. It is best to keep them at home where they can recover quickly while reducing the spread of disease to other children, parents and teachers.

Reportable communicable diseases (refer to the [Parent Handbook](#) for a complete list) must be reported immediately to the Director of Health and Safety, Kristi Lalli at 703-818-0575.

Sick Child & Absentees

If your child will miss school due to illness or other reasons, please contact their teacher directly or call and leave a message at school (703)830-5656.

Snack Reminder

All families are responsible for a class snack approximately once per month. At the beginning of each month a snack schedule is sent home. On the assigned snack day, your child also is the special helper! If you do happen to forget, please replenish the school's back-up snack supply as soon as possible.

Tuition Information

Tuition is due on the first day of the month. Late fees will automatically be assessed on all late payments. Additional tuition coupons are on our website at www.centrevillepreschool.com. Please drop your tuition at the preschool in the locked tuition box located inside the visitor's entrance. Or mail your payment to:

Attn: Accounting Clerk, CPI, PO Box 253, Centreville, VA 20122

Do not send tuition via tote bag! Tuition should NOT be mailed to the school's street address and NOT be placed in the "information box" located outside of the school. Tuition checks need to be placed INSIDE the school building.

School Board

There are many things that happen behind-the-scenes that help your student and family have a successful experience at CPI. School Board meetings are open to all parents of Centreville Preschool Inc. Our upcoming meetings are Wednesday, October 21 at Centreville library and Tuesday, November 17 at Centreville library at 7 pm.

FUNdraising

Scholastic Book Fair & Spirit Night!

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Centreville Preschool, Inc. Book browsing will be from 9am-3pm on October 13th and 14th. Family Night will be October 13th from 5-7pm, and to cap it off, we will also be hosting a Spirit Night at Burger King that night from 5-8pm, so after browsing the books come on over and hang out with CPI crew! 20% of the proceeds from your purchases at BK will go back to our school. Look for more information in your child's tote bag in the upcoming weeks.

If you would like to volunteer for any of the mentioned dates and times, please sign up for a shift here [SignupGenius](#). All questions can be directed to Chanda Cook at chanda.cook@gmail.com or at (571) 723-6023. Happy reading!

Mixed Bag Designs Campaign!

It's that time of year again and we are excited to once again host the fabulous catalog fundraiser Mixed Bag Designs. Mixed Bag Designs provide an exceptional line of reusable bags and totes, lunch bags and more! They even have gift wrap! Each student will receive a packet of information via their tote. The fundraiser will run from October 21st to November 4th. Online ordering for distant family and friends is available and our school will receive credit for the sales.

Rent CPI

Did you know that you can rent the school building for your own events and gatherings? For \$100 you can use the building for 5 hours. This includes the playground, building and access to materials and supplies throughout. Contact the school office for more information, or to book your next birthday party or family event with us!

October	November	Looking Ahead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •1: Tuition due •3/4: Just Between Friends Consignment Sale •12: No School (Columbus Day) •13: Family Book Fair Night 5-7pm •13: Spirit Night @ Burger King 5-8pm •21: School Board meeting @ 7pm •29/30: Halloween Parades 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •1: Tuition due •2-3: No School (Student Holidays) •4: Mixed Bag Design orders due •17: School Board meeting @ 7pm •25-27: No School (Thanksgiving Holiday) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •December 1: tuition due •14: Winter Break begins

*School Board meetings are held at Centreville Library, unless otherwise noted.