

News from the Directors

Pumpkins, apples, leaves, and Halloween filled our month of October! We'd like to thank our parents and family volunteers that participated in our Trunk or Treat. We loved it, as did the students. Thank you to all those that supported our Stoller's Pastries fundraiser. Proceeds from the sale will go towards our Learning Garden.

We are looking forward to seeing you all for conferences this week.. If your childcare needs have changed for your conference times please let us know. During conferences we will also be hosting the Scholastic Book fair. The book fair will be open on Thursday, Nov. 6th from 10:30-11:30 AM and 12:00-1:00 PM and Friday, Nov. 7th 9:00 AM-1:00 PM.

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming holidays/breaks that we will be observing in November and December. We hope you'll enjoy time with your families and friends during our Thanksgiving Break, November 24-28 and Winter Break, December 22-January 2. The winter session of Messy Monday will begin on December 1st.

In December, we would like to give back to those in need. We will be hosting a canned and non perishable food drive to benefit the Solon Mobile Pantry. Attached to the email are the top 10 items we are collecting. Please send starting December 2nd through December 19th. As the weather gets cooler and we are wearing coats every morning, be mindful of time spent in the car line. If your child is not wearing their coat in their carseat they can exit the car and a staff person will help slip on their coat and backpack. This way we can keep the car line moving smoothly. Please make sure your child has winter hats, gloves, and boots as well as snow pants when it gets cold and snowy. We will continue to go outside everyday.



Jody Halley & Emily Johnson

Important Dates and Information

November	6	Scholastic Book Fair 10:30-1:00
	7	No School Parent/Teacher Conferences and Scholastic Book Fair 9:30-1:00
	24-28	No School- Thanksgiving Break
December	1	School resumes (1st session of Winter Messy Monday)
	8	Preschool Board meeting 7pm
	18-19	Holiday classroom parties
	22 - Jan. 2	School Closed for Winter Break

Support Play and Prep Preschool year round with Mabel's Labels:

Check out our fundraising page at **Mabel's Labels** at www.mabelslabels.com and click on Support a Fundraiser then find Play and Prep Preschool in the school listing. Play and Prep will receive a percentage from your order.

School Calendar: [2025-2026 Calendar](#)



Scholastic Books

We are looking forward to hosting our 2nd Book Fair on November 6th and 7th. Just for PnP families, feel free to come Thursday between 10:30-11:30am and shop. Ring the bell and a staff member will meet you. On Friday, the fair will be open from 9-1pm. Feel free to stop in and shop with or without your student. If you can't make it or don't find what you are looking for, you can order online. <https://orders.scholastic.com/WVTBR>



Yoga

Namaste! Last month we discussed the changing of the seasons and we did corresponding yoga moves for Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter. This month we will have a Halloween yoga themed lesson with "not so spooky" poses for all beginners. We will end the lesson with a Monster Mash! This will be our last yoga class until after the New Years and I wish everyone a safe and Happy Holidays.

Ms. Kiersti

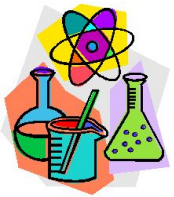
Creative Movement



What a kick! Creative Movement in October had us running, dribbling, and shooting outside during our soccer unit. Quite a few of our students had tried soccer before or were playing in a preschool league and we could tell! We saw some fancy footwork and everyone enjoyed zigzagging through the cones and shooting on goal. In November, we will play Turkey Tag which is a modified version of tag where students "tag" each other by taking a clothespin with a feather. Trying to swipe a turkey feather helps to prevent pushing that can happen during a traditional game of tag. We will be outside for Creative Movement if the weather permits.

Mrs. Johnson

STEM



During our October STEM session, we looked at leaves. What do they do for trees? Are they all the same size, shape, or color? Why do they change color? The scientists also did leaf rubbings that showed off the fine detail in leaf structures. In November, we'll study magnetism and investigate what items a magnet can attract.

Mr. Ryan

SUMC Event

We hope you'll join us for a time of family fun and festivities. On Saturday, December 13th from 2-3:30pm at Solon UMC we will be having a "winter fun fest". There will be various activities you can do with your child: build a birdfeeder, make an ornament, enjoy some hot chocolate and a classic christmas movie, and more. Feel free to stop by for 15 minutes or the whole time! No need to RSVP. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Andrew Scott via email (ascott1266@gmail.com) or on his cell phone (913) 961-0590.

Did You Know?



With a grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, we created a birding station in 2019. We've been feeding the birds in the garden, window feeders, and with our annual Feast for the Birds ever since!

Would you like to try to hand-feed wild birds?

Mrs. Johnson's favorite spot to feed black-capped chickadees is at West Woods at their Bird in the Hand feeding station. Stop in at the nature center for instructions and tips.

