



Edgewater News



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WELCOME TO EDGEWATER

Rae, Makai, Nora, Presley, Mina, Ailana in Pixies!
Chloe, Nina in Sprites!
Samara, Van, Welles in Munchkins!
Myles in Chipmunks!



LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

We have a Little Free Library right in front of the school walkway. The concept is easy: "Take a Book, Return a Book." We hope you and the community enjoy it! This is an effort to encourage and support the love for reading. These books can be for both children and adults. *Please remember, these books are for you to enjoy at home.*



CURRICULUM

The following areas of focus are common topics that may emerge this month: "Fall Changes," "Apples," "Pumpkin Exploration," "Halloween Safety" "Food That Helps Us Grow" Good Touch/Bad Touch," and "Human Body Parts/Different Abilities."

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY WORKSHOP

Not sure which safety seat to buy for your child or how to install it? American Automobile Association (AAA) hosted workshops have you covered. Each in-person or online workshop includes a variety of helpful information, from how to select the right safety seat for your child to safety seat installation tips and more. Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians teach these workshops and focus on state occupant protection laws and best practices.

Virtual Workshops:

Wednesday, October 9, 2024, | 11:00-12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 13, 2024, | 6 -7:15 p.m.

For more information and to register see the below link.

<https://www.ace.aaa.com/information/aaa-in-the-community/workshops/child-passenger-safety-workshop.html>

DATES TO REMEMBER

Pajama Days

Pajama days are almost here! They will be held on **Thursday, October 31st** and **Friday, November 1st**. We invite children to come to school in their pajamas. For safety reasons, children must wear regular shoes, **no slippers.**

Scholastic Book Orders

Scholastic books can be ordered online all year long to boost your kid's reading fandom and maybe even create moments of quality time you can share together!

<https://orders.scholastic.com/GZX8D>

Great California Shake Out

At 10:17a.m. on Thursday, October 17th, millions of Californians, including Edgewater Preschool, will participate in the largest earthquake drill! We will practice Drop, Cover, and Hold.

The Great California Shake Out is held statewide on the third Thursday of October each year. In addition to this large event, the teachers conduct routine earthquake drills in the classroom on a regular basis. Before and after our drill, teachers review what to do in the event of an earthquake. We invite everyone to visit the Great California Shake Out website at <http://www.shakeout.org/>.

We also would like to remind all families to **please provide your child with an "Emergency Kit."** If you need a handout on what the kit should contain, please let us know, and we can email you a copy.

Irvine Regional Park Fieldtrip

The preschool children will be going to Irvine Regional Park on *****or the pumpkin patch! This field trip is open to **Munchkins, Chipmunks, & Muskrats.** Each child who attends the trip will receive a pumpkin, which will stay at the school until the Fall Festival. Children in the Sprites classroom are welcome to attend the fieldtrip but must be accompanied by an adult. **All children must have fully mastered the potty learning process, unless accompanied by an adult.** While at the pumpkin patch, the children will go on a train ride, pick out their pumpkin, and go on a hayride.

All chaperones must submit proof of their pertussis (Tdap), measles (MMR), 2024 flu vaccine (waiver available), and TB test (dated within the last year), and sign a statement of good health (forms available in the office) by Monday October 7th.

The cost is **\$32/child** and **\$28/adult.**

To sign up: pick up a permission slip and submit payment (if by cash or check) by Wednesday, October 9th. Payment can be made by check, cash (*exact change*) or by using your Tuition Express account. Tuition Express accounts will be processed on **Friday, October 11th.** If you would like to purchase an Edgewater t-shirt for your child to wear to the fieldtrip, it may be purchased in the office for \$12 (we accept cash, check, or can be charged to your Tuition Express account).

Fall Festival

On **Wednesday, October 23rd,** our school will be **closing at 4pm** for our Fall Festival, which will be held from 4pm to 5:30pm. The evening will be filled with fun family activities. Families are invited to bring a pumpkin to decorate. We will have collage materials available. The children will be making a "Friendship Soup" for the event. We are asking each parent to bring in one vegetable of your choice for the soup! Please involve your child in the choosing of the vegetable. The children will be preparing the vegetables for the soup, to be enjoyed during the festival.

Reminder, school will be closing at 4pm, so children must be signed out by an authorized representative before attending the event.

Please plan extra time for pickup and event parking. The green zone in front of the school is for quick pickups; therefore, **if you will be attending an event, parking in the green zone will only be permitted if arriving after the event has already started.**

TIME CHANGE

On **Sunday, November 3rd,** we will change the clocks back one hour. Please be aware that it is normal for children to go through an adjustment period during this time.

For the children who are picked up later from school, please explain to them that it might be dark when you pick them up, as this can be confusing for children. This will reassure them that you will be here to pick them up at the usual time.

Additionally, making some small changes to your child's sleep schedule beforehand can help cushion the transition. To help adjust, it is suggested to gradually shift your child's bedtime earlier in preparation for daylight saving time. For example, if your child goes to bed at 8 p.m., about four days before the time change, put him/her to bed at 7:45 p.m., then 7:30 p.m., and so on until he/she is going to bed as close to 7 p.m. as possible.

LOOKING INTO NOVEMBER

***Friday, Nov. 1st** - Pajama day

***Monday, Nov. 11th** - School Closed - Veterans Day

***Wednesday, Nov. 20th** - Close at 4pm for staff development

***Thursday, Nov. 28th & Friday, Nov. 29th** - School Closed for Thanksgiving

