



Pointing the Way



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Calendar of Events

October

6 - CPT Training
9 - CPT Training
13 - CPT Training
16 - CPT Training
22, 23, 24 - Fall Break

November

15 - Hollydaze

Tuition Reminder

Tuition is due the first class of the month. Please place all tuition payments in the "tuition" envelope at the front of the mailboxes. Be sure to include your child's name, class, and reason for the payment in the memo section. Monthly tuition is as follows:

Teddies: \$55
Bears: \$80
Koalas: \$65
Pandas: \$100

Thank you,
Angela Orton
Treasurer
Koala mom to Evan

President's Prose

Welcome to FPCP! As always, the first few weeks of school are very busy, but we think that we're off to a wonderful start. We kicked off the school year with a fantastic Water Balloon Fight, which raised over \$2000 for our preschool. We would like to thank Julie Guldberg and Kristin Brown, our Ways and Means co-chairs, for all of their hard work. They really put their hearts into their work, and the event wouldn't have been so successful without them. We'd also like to thank every FPCP member who contributed their time and effort to the Water Balloon Fight. Each one of you who filled balloons, helped with registration and ran the children's games really made a difference for our school! The participation contest was very close, but the Koalas class was the winner. Congratulations!

Our students blasted off into the unknown last week in our fun and exciting space unit. The kids really had a great time exploring "the final frontier", and we had a terrific group of people who helped set up the space shuttle and command post. Thank you to everyone who participated in the set up!

Classroom Participation Training (CPT) is coming up soon. Thank you to Joscelyn Moore, our New Member Liaison, for doing an excellent job planning the training. If you haven't already done so, please contact Joscelyn at cmoore0518@gmail.com to sign up for CPT. Check out more info inside the newsletter.

We would also like to thank our Parent Education Chair, Angela Noble, for her hard work coordinating our CPR and First Aid classes this month, and for setting up the rest of the Parent Ed schedule for the year. For more information on upcoming events and how to earn Parent Ed credits, see Angela's article inside.

Here's an important reminder for you: Fall Break will take place October 22nd through the 24th. HSE schools will be closed, so FPCP will be closed. And watch your email for information about our fall special event!

We're looking forward to having a wonderful school year. Please remember that if you ever have any questions or concerns, we are always here to help you!

Cooperatively,

Meredith Pfligenstofer
Koala Mom to Meghan

Rachel Byrne
Koala Mom to Eric

THANK YOU from Mrs. Teresa!

- To all the great families for helping with the water balloon fight, especially Julie Guldberg and Kristin Brown.
- To Meaghan Argay for making name puzzles and Name playdough mats for the Bears class. Also, for getting Bears to help with Space set up.
- To all the parents who came to help with the space set up and tear down. We made it in record timing because we had such GREAT help!
- To Marlo Landis for organizing the Bears calendar a dozen times.
- To Jenny Edmonds for subbing in for me when my son hurt his neck and for working so hard to get an extra early return on Fridays.
- To Tracy White for totally organizing all the Bears field trips!
- To Angela Noble for putting up with all my emails to get teachers from other schools into First Aid and CPR.
- To ALL FPCP parents because we have such an awesome group of parents who are so gung ho this year!

Teddies

Wow! What a great start we have had to the school year! It is hard to believe that we have been in school for a full month! The Teddies have been VERY busy getting familiar with the room and learning the routine. We had some separation issues but all of you have been very good at working with your children on these issues and they are slowly but surely feeling more comfortable in the school. September has been full with learning about friendship and family and space. Since 2/3's have a hard time understanding the concept of outer space, we focused more on the moon and stars. However, it was a lot of fun "blasting off" into space! In October we will learn about apples, wild animals, pets, and fall. We will also have a one day lesson on monsters as fears do tend to creep up on little ones around Halloween. *Class coffee Thursday October 8th at 7pm at the school(parent only event)*

Bears

Busy! Busy! Busy! That is the best way to describe the activity level in the Bears class. We have had a great time together in the very short time we have had school! We have been firefighters, police officers, astronauts, and much, much more. The pretend play has been very lively in the Bears class. While we have had such great pretend play, we have learned how to pattern, to recognize our names and friends' names, and to not only count forwards but also backwards! A great start to a great year! In October, we will count apples, graph our favorite way to eat apples, and make applesauce. We will pretend to go camping and look for birds. We will learn about Fall and vote on our favorite leaf color. We will also have a one day lesson on dealing with "monsters." We will have our first field trip to Ritchey Woods to learn about Fall. *Class coffee Tuesday October 7th at 7pm at the school.(parent only event and we will be talking about Bears enrichment so please come)*

Cubs Class

Fishers Pointe Cooperative Preschool announces the start of a Cubs class this January! The Cubs class is for children 18 months to 2 years old. The class will meet on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:00 a.m. here at Northeast Community Church. Classes will begin on Wednesday, January 7th. The Cubs tuition is \$40/month.

An Open House will be held on Wednesday, November 5th from 9:30—11 a.m., for those who would like to tour the classroom and meet the teacher.

Spots are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Please contact Melissa Woods at 842-5629 or Melissa Voelker at 578-0447 if you have any questions. Visit our website at <http://www.fisherspointecoop.org/parents.aspx> to obtain a registration form. Place completed forms in Melissa Woods' mailbox along with your check (registration fee and 1st mos. tuition).

Ways and Means News

What a great start to the school year! Kristin and I would like to thank everyone that helped at the Water Balloon Fight. We are now working diligently on HollyDaze. This is our 6th year of the holiday boutique. We are working to get at least 50 vendors of various types (crafts, home goods, clothing, gifts, etc). If you are interested in a booth please let me know. We will be having a bake sale as well. A sign up sheet will be posted in late October, so be on the look out and get your favorite recipe ready! Each class will also be sponsoring a silent auction basket. Please see Kristin or your class rep for more details.

Remember that we have \$5 Kroger gift cards that are re-chargeable. This is a great fundraiser for us! If you have any questions/ would like to purchase one, please contact Julie Guldberg or Angela Orton. They make a great gift too!

Please be on the look out for the next Dining for Dough date. Thanks Heather, for getting this organized.

We will also be collecting empty Capri Sun pouches as a fundraising project. Please be on the lookout for the collection box- it will be put out soon.

Julie Guldberg
Ways and Means Co-Chair

Attention NEW MEMBERS Mark Your Calendars

CPT Training Reminder:

Session 1 Mon Oct 6th 9am -12pm

Thurs Oct 9th 9am-12pm

Session 2 Mon Oct 13th 9am-12pm

Thurs Oct 16 9am-12pm

All new members (or any member who has not received this training in the past) are required to attend both days of this informative workshop. Training will take place at the preschool and babysitting will be provided. This important training is required and led by ICPC, so please plan to attend if you are new to the co-op. If you have not paid the \$20 fee for CPT training please make checks payable to FPCP and include CPT Training on the memo line - you can drop them off in the tuition folder at school.

For those parents who cannot attend the October training due to scheduling conflicts, please contact Joscelyn Moore at cmoore0518@gmail.com as soon as possible. All questions regarding CPT can be directed to Joscelyn Moore.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to Babysit

If you are available and can help with childcare during CPT training on Oct 6th, 9th, 13th and or 16th, please contact Joscelyn Moore. There is a sign-up sheet located at school as well. Many of our new members attending CPT training have little ones that need to be cared for - we appreciate your help. This will count towards your required four hours of service to the school.

Thanks,

Joscelyn

Birthdays and Notes

Teddies

Taylor Gerardot 10/28

Koalas

Emily Woods 9/29

Hunter Hollowell 10/6

Eric Byrne 10/10

Welcome Klipsch Family

Pandas

Conner Babcock 9/26

Ella Hahn 10/3

Dylan Noble 10/12

Colleen Cherry 10/15

Bears

Julian Kirby 9/16

Welcome White & Dunigan Family