



October 2017 Playschool News

CONNECTING WITH THE TEACHERS

Our teachers are available to connect with parents if you have concerns or questions with how your child is adjusting to playschool. Your parent helper day is a great time to touch base with the teachers before, during or after class if you have any questions. Please remember that your child may not act the same on your parent helper day as on a typical playschool day. It is exciting for the children to have you in the classroom! As teachers we are genuinely engaged and invested in our children; please don't hesitate to ask questions, send an email or ask for a quick meeting!

IMPORTANT DATES FOR OCTOBER

- Class Picture days: Oct 12th & 13th (with Ken from Classic Image Photography)
- No school: October 9th – Thanksgiving Day**
- No school: October 16th – Non-instructional day**
- Music dates:** Tue Oct 3rd 10:55am & 1:10pm, Fri Oct 6th 10:55 am
- Family Photo Day with Ken from Classic Image Photography: Oct. 28th @ HHBH Community Association (10 minute sitting times)*
- Halloween Class Party: Oct 30th & 31st – Kids wear their Halloween costumes to school- Parents / caregivers are welcome to join us for the last 30 mins of class

SCHOOL NEWS

Thanks for helping keep our access door locked, and letting other parents / caregivers in as the weather gets colder.

STAY UP-TO-DATE!

Have you joined our Parent group on Facebook? This is a closed group just for HHBH Playschool parents where we post reminders for events, important dates and other playschool news. The group page is separate from our public Playschool Facebook page and can be found at [facebook.com/groups/ 623107301198256](https://www.facebook.com/groups/623107301198256) or search "HHBH Community Association Playschool Parent Group" on Facebook and ask to join.

Did you know? All our events and important dates are also posted on our website at hhbhcaplayschool.com/events/

THEME OF THE MONTH INFO

The classes have all done very well with settling into the new school year...thanks to you, parents, for your support and reassurance! During our first month of September, we learned lots about our 5 senses; the students were excited to learn about sight, hearing, touch, smell and taste through crafts, songs, books and activities. We also explored the wonderful world of colours and participated in our very own Terry Fox Run!

For the month of October we will be learning about Fall, Thanksgiving, and Halloween. We will learn some new songs and do some fun activities relating to our theme. On the **Class Party days - Oct 30th and 31st** we ask children to come dressed in their Halloween costumes. We will have a fun day of play and share some songs and a special craft with our guests at the end of class.

Reminders: Please avoid sending little toys, jewelry, etc. to class with your child. It can be very upsetting for them if these small items get lost or misplaced in the classroom.

Please remember to take your child's water bottle home for washing after each class!

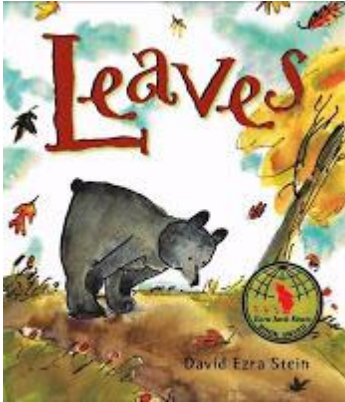
SUGGESTED HOME ACTIVITIES

Autumn Leaves (Sung to “London Bridge” tune)

Autumn Leaves are falling down, falling down, falling down

Autumn Leaves are falling down, red, yellow, orange, and brown...

Craft Tip: Press leaves of different shapes and colours between two sheets of paper, under some heavy books and leave to dry out for a few days before using for craft projects.



Tree-themed books for preschoolers:

Let It Fall by Mariann Cocca-Leffler

Leaves by David Ezra Stein

Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf by Lois Ehlert

Fall Leaves Fall by Zoe Hall

Fletcher and the Falling Leaves by Julia Rawlinson

The Seasons of Arnold's Apple Tree by Gail Gibbons

Tree-themed activities for preschoolers:

[Autumn trees with real leaves](#) from Housing a Forest

[Leaf cutouts and tissue paper tree](#) from Rockabye Butterfly

[Fall popcorn trees](#) from Happy Hooligans

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