



City Christian Preschool

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Fall Begins...

September is over and the fall season is upon us. Our staff is looking forward to sharing this season with the preschoolers, exploring all the changes that God brings in preparation for the winter.

During September we spent much of our time focusing on our daily routines. City Christian's mascot is a lion and our rules are based on the acronym "ROAR". We learned that to be good lions at school we need to be **Respectful, Obedient, Always Safe, and Responsible**. These are big concepts for little ones, but our class is catching on as we daily remind ourselves of how to be a good lion. Try quizzing your student at home about how they can be a good lion at school—see what they can remember!

Take a minute to glance at our calendar. On our calendar you will find what we are learning, as well as the dates for our farm dress up day, show-n-tell and our City Bible Church Harvest Party.



Important Thoughts...

- **Schedule:** We are very excited to have an increasing amount of families enrolling in our preschool! In order to administrate our program effectively we need everyone to follow the schedule that they have enrolled for. If you are a CCS family or have signed up for early morning care you may drop off your students after 7:30am. All other student arrivals need to be **between 8:45-9:00**.
- **Lunch:** Just a reminder that student lunches should come fully prepared for your student to eat; oranges peeled, apples sliced, etc. Also, please include utensils in your students lunch if they are needed. We will do our best to send home uneaten food, containers and utensils.

Farm Dress-Up Day



At the end of October we will have a class "farm" dress-up day. This day will end our study of the farm and farm animals. Your child may dress up as a farmer or as any of their favorite farm animals. During the morning we will have fun activities and games. Please discourage any other Halloween costumes, we would like to have fun dressing up and connecting with our farm theme. Be creative- this will be a fun learning activity for all of us!



CBC Harvest Party

On Sunday, October 31, City Bible Church will be hosting a Harvest Party at each of our campuses. Our preschool staff will be operating three game booths, two at Mill Plain and one at 217. CCS staff will be operating one at the Rocky Butte Campus. Each booth will be run by a staff member and 2 parent volunteers with a choice of different time shifts so you can volunteer and enjoy the party. We will have sign-up sheets at our front counters for anyone who is interested in helping. This is a great opportunity to help out our church, meet some new friends, and enjoy the party with your family.



Good Morning Time at City Christian Preschool...



At about 9:00 at City Christian Preschool, you might hear a teacher calling everyone to clean up toys and come find their mat. Every student in our class has a carpet square to call their own. It's their own defined space that helps them to know where to sit and where to keep their body parts located for the next twenty or so minutes.

After everyone is situated we open the day with prayer. Sometimes

one or two students will lead out to thank God for our day, our family, our dog, our food, our new baby brother, our friends...

When prayers are over, helpers are chosen to lend a hand throughout the day. First comes the calendar to see what day, month, and season it is. Next, we dress "weather bear" in appropriate clothes for the day. Then, all stand together to sing songs (sometimes everyone gets

their very own instrument to play!). After song time, we sit down to practice our Bible verse and listen to a Bible story. Or, we learn about a very important character trait that Jesus wants us to have to live a blessed life.

It's a jam-packed 20 minutes, but it keeps us busy and learning!



Activity Corner...

Here's a fun activity to share with your preschooler—it's the perfect time of year to explore for leaves...

Wow! God is Creative

Activity: Give your child a bag to collect a variety of leaves from trees while you walk around your yard or neighborhood. Discuss how boring the world would be if God had only given us one kind of leaf to enjoy. Talk about God's creativity!

Discuss similarities and differences in the leaves. Leaves are environmentally important to us. They provide our oxygen so we can breathe. We need to take care of the trees God gave us.

Count the leaves. Sort them by size (small, medium, large) and count each group. Which size has more, less, the same? Glue the leaves onto a paper plate. (Praise your child for using "just

a little bit" of glue). "Leave" your child's work on a wall to be enjoyed by the family.

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Show-N-Tell



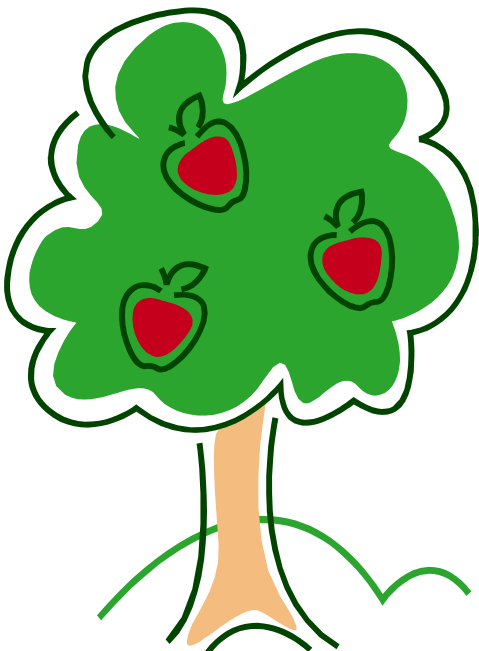
We will have Show-N-Tell every other week. The dates will be on our monthly calendar along with a list of what each class will be learning for the month. We would like to encourage your child to bring an item that pertains to the themes we are studying. An example for October is to bring an item that goes with the fall season or our farm theme. Be creative!



Poems

Apple Tree Poem

Way up high in an apple tree,
5 apples smiled at me
I shook that tree, hard as I could,
Down came 1 apple,
Mmmm...it was good!
(Repeat 4, 3, 2, 1...)



Five in the Bed

There were five in the bed and the little one said
"Roll over! Roll over!"
So they all rolled over and one fell out
There were four in the bed and the little one said...
There were three in the bed and the little one said...
There were two in the bed and the
little one said...
There was one in the bed and the little
one said...
"I've got the whole bed to myself!"

