

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Welcome to October! As the leaves change and the air gets a little crisper, we're excited to dive into all the fun this season has to offer. Our classrooms will be busy exploring the sights, sounds, and colors of fall through pumpkin crafts, leaf rubbings, cozy story times, and outdoor adventures to watch nature transform around us.

We also have some exciting events happening this month! On October lst, we'll be kicking off our Fall Fuel Fundraiser, featuring fresh coffee and pumpkins—the perfect fall essentials to keep you cozy and festive this season. Later in the month, get ready for something sweet with our Krispy Kreme Fundraiser, a delicious mid-October treat the whole family can enjoy.

Of course, October wouldn't be complete without festive fun. Toward the end of the month, we'll celebrate Halloween with costumes, themed activities, and a centre-wide celebration. We'll also spend time talking with the children about gratitude and kindness as we move toward Thanksgiving, helping them connect this season with thankfulness and sharing.

We can't wait to see all the creativity, learning, and laughter that October will bring. Thank you, as always, for sharing your wonderful children with us—we're so excited for a joyful, festive month together!

MABEL'S LABELS

We've noticed more and more little items going missing around the centre, so we're excited to share an easy solution! We've partnered with Mabel's Labels to give families a fun and practical way to keep track of belongings. These durable, personalized labels are perfect for water bottles, clothing, shoes, and more—and the best part is, a portion of every order supports our centre!

Look for the poster in our front entry for details and a direct link to order. Let's keep

> those lunchboxes, sweaters, and mittens coming back home every day!



OCTOBER EVENTS

October I: Fall Fuel Fundraiser (8:00am-10:30am)

October 10: Pj / Comfy Clothes Day!

October 13: Thanksgiving CENTRE CLOSED

October 21: Childcare Worker/ ECE Appreciation
Day!

October 31: Halloween Party!





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FRIENDLY REMINDERS

As the seasons change, here are some gentle reminders to help keep our days happy and smooth:

- Food & allergies: To keep all our friends safe, we kindly ask that no outside food be brought into the centre.
- Toys from home: As much as we love them, toys are best kept at home so nothing gets lost or mixed up.
- Dressing for fall: We head outside every day-even in a little rain, wind, or fog!
 Please dress your child for the cooler fall weather.
- Label, label, label! With so many similar items, clear labels help us make sure everything finds its way back home.
- Extra clothes: Spills and accidents happenan extra set of clothing makes sure your child stays comfy all day long.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

We're excited to celebrate Halloween with the children on Thursday, October 3lst! In the morning, we'll enjoy a little party filled with dancing, games, and special treats. Children are welcome to come dressed in their costumes for the morning fun. Please also pack a set of spare clothes, as costumes will be taken off before lunch and sent home in the afternoon. Participation is encouraged, but always optional—we want everyone to feel comfortable joining in however they'd like!



KRISPY KREME FUNDRAISER

We are thrilled to be hosting a Krispy Kreme Doughnut fundraiser this month! This is such a fun and tasty way to give back while enjoying a classic treat that everyone loves. Each order includes one dozen of Krispy Kreme's world-famous Original Glazed doughnuts – light, fluffy, and melt-in-your-mouth delicious! All proceeds from this fundraiser will go directly back into supporting our centre and the wonderful programs, activities, and experiences we provide for the children and families in our care. By purchasing a box (or two... or three!), you're helping us continue to create meaningful opportunities for learning, play, and community connection.

Order forms will be sent home by staff. Doughnuts will be delivered fresh, and pick-up details will be shared closer to the date so you can plan ahead. We can't wait to see how many dozens we can stack up together – thank you in advance for your support, and happy snacking!

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LEAF HUNT & NATURE COLLAGE

A great way to get outside and enjoy the fall weather!

- Head out for a short family walk and collect leaves of different colors, shapes, and sizes.
- Once home, give your child a large piece of paper and some glue sticks.
- Work together to make a "fall collage" by arranging and gluing down the leaves.
- You can turn it into a game by asking your child to find a "big leaf," a "red leaf," or a "tiny leaf," making it playful and educational at the same time.

SPOOKY SNACK MIX

A simple, festive snack you can make together.

- In a big bowl, mix together pretzels, dry cereal, mini marshmallows, and a handful of candy corn or chocolate chips.
- Let your child help with pouring and stirring.
- Store in a container for an easy grab-andgo treat.
- This is a great chance to practice counting and sorting with little ones—ask them to count out "5 pretzels" or "3 marshmallows" before mixing.

PUMPKIN VOLCANO EXPERIMENT

A fun, safe science activity with a Halloween twist!

- Take a small pumpkin and cut the top off like you would for carving.
- Scoop out the inside (great sensory play for kids!).
- Place the pumpkin on a tray and add a few spoonfuls of baking soda inside.
- In a separate cup, mix vinegar with a few drops of orange food coloring (or red + yellow).
- Pour the vinegar mixture into the pumpkin and watch it "erupt" like a foamy pumpkin volcano!

This activity is exciting for little ones, while also introducing them to early science concepts like reactions and cause-and-effect.

PUMPKIN SEED ART

Instead of tossing out pumpkin seeds, turn them into a craft!

- After scooping out your pumpkin, rinse the seeds and let them dry.
- Provide your child with some washable paint, glue, and a piece of sturdy paper or cardboard.
- Encourage them to paint the seeds different colors, then glue them down to make patterns, rainbows, or even spooky Halloween pictures (like ghosts or pumpkins).
- This activity builds fine motor skills and creativity-plus it's a fun way to extend pumpkin carving into play!



Social

Did you know that Beaver Creek Daycare is on Facebook, Instagram, and our very own website? These are the best places to see all the fun and learning happening every day at our Centre! From classroom activities and outdoor adventures to special events and celebrations, our social media gives you a peek into your child's world.

Follow us and join our online community to stay up-to-date, see adorable moments, and celebrate all the little milestones that make each day so special.

- https://www.facebook.com/beaver.creek.daycare
- https://www.instagram.com/beavercreekdaycare/
- https://beavercreekdaycare.com/

We love sharing the magic of each day with our families—check out the fun!