



## Nature's Scholars Enrichment Center

October 2024



### Dates to Remember

- Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> Harrison Early Release
- Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> MTFD visit for fire safety week
- Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> MCDH Fire safety presentation
- Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL  
Richmond & Harrison
- Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> Columbus Day – No Public School for Johnsbury, Richmond, & Harrison  
**No attendance for Rangers Pre-K**
- Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> Scholastic due!
- Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> Harrison early release
- Oct. 31st Halloween Party  
9:00am – 11:00am

### Coming Up

- On Monday Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> (Columbus Day) The Ranger's morning Pre-K class is not in attendance. You will be charged one less day this week.
- All Public Schools are closed for the National Holiday. Reminder, if your child attends a full day on this day, an extra charge of \$19.00 (\$17.10 if they are an older sibling) will be added to your tuition.
- October is Fire Safety month. we will be having the McHenry Township Fire Department come to show off their Fire and Rescue trucks and talk about their equipment with the children.
- Tuffo Suits are available! If your child is not signed up for the Tuffo Suit Rental Program, please see someone up in the front office for a rental form. The rental fee is just \$25.00 for your child to be assigned a suit for as long as they fit into the biggest size of 5T. They always remain at the center and each classroom has an individual rack for their children. Soon we will be needing them and with the use of a Tuffo, we can assure your child remains cleaner, dryer and warmer.

SURPRISE, SURPRISE!

## MR. CODY AND HIS WIFE ARE HAVING A BABY GIRL!



BABY GIRL COMING DECEMBER 2024!!



## FROM THE KITCHEN!

Welcome Fall and apple season!

**Make some homemade applesauce  
with your kids!**

**Recipe for 32 ½ cup servings**

**Ingredients:**

**10 lbs. of apples (any variety)**

**1.5 cups of water**

**2 TBSP Sugar**

**Dash of cinnamon**

**Cooking instructions:**

- Peel Core apple
- Bring water and sugar to a boil
- Reduce temp and add apples
- Cook on low for 1 hour covered
- Mash or blend apples to desired consistency
- Once room temp add cinnamon if desired
- Refrigerate or freeze for future use.
- ENJOY!!

**\*\* Ms. Julie\*\***

## **A Note from Mr. Cody at the Barn!**

- 🌻 Please make sure your child is wearing clothes that you are ok with getting dirty! The woods and barn are a time for your child to "take chances, make mistakes, and get messy!"
- 🌻 Each week we learn about a different animal. Something fun to do at home is to have your child talk about that animal with you!
- 🌻 PLEASE no Crocs or sandals! Your child should be wearing closed toe shoe.
- 🌻 There will be a question of the week that we discuss and have on our Facebook page. Please make sure you are checking for these questions to have the discussion at home.

## **October's Weekly themes are:**

🌻 Week 1: Goats

🌻 Week 2: Mushrooms

🌻 Week 3: Indigenous People

🌻 Week 4: Indigenous People Cont.

🌻 Week 5: Halloween

## **Halloween Party** (Tadpoles - Ranger's Pre-K)

**Our party will be on Thursday,  
Oct. 31st from 9:00am - 11:00am**

Please see your child's classroom door for treat sign up! IF you would like to be a parent volunteer for the party you must email your classroom teacher and then there will be a lottery draw for who will be the party volunteers for that party. If your child does not normally attend on Monday's, they may attend for the party time only. Costumes are encouraged for our party, and we will be having a costume parade. Crafts, games and special activities are being planned. Please no weapons, scary costumes or blood. Please send your child in their costume in the morning but provide a change of clothing and bag for the costume so we can change them out after the party.





## PROPER WEATHER CLOTHING

**Please provide rain boots or waterproof shoes/boots during this transition to winter. We discourage any open toe shoes for safety reasons. If your child is not signed up for our Tuffo Suit program, please see front office for details. Layered clothing and raincoat are useful for the cool mornings and late afternoons. Please make sure all clothing is labeled.**



### Holiday Closings

Monday September 2<sup>nd</sup>: "Labor Day Holiday"

Thursday November 28<sup>th</sup>: "Thanksgiving Holiday"

Friday November 29<sup>th</sup>: "Thanksgiving Holiday"

Tuesday December 24<sup>th</sup>: "Christmas Holiday"

Wednesday December 25<sup>th</sup>: "Christmas Holiday"

Tuesday December 31<sup>st</sup>: "New Year's Holiday"

Wednesday January 1<sup>st</sup>: "New Year's Holiday"

These are the upcoming holidays that we are closed. Please make sure you have alternative care. Regular weekly payment is still required.





# Scholastic

Please make sure you are checking out our scholastic flyers going home! There are set dates for when you must have your orders in by. This month Scholastic is due October 14<sup>th</sup>! If you have any questions about scholastic, please don't hesitate to reach out to Ms. Kristin.



## Tis the Season for Sickness

We do our best to keep all children and staff safe while at Nature's Scholars. This includes keeping illnesses at bay. If a child starts to show symptoms or reports that they are not feeling well, we will assess their well-being and try to provide a quiet space/activity for the child for a short period of time. However, if a child develops a fever of 100.4 or greater, is vomiting, has unexplained excessive diarrhea (3 or more), has a spreadable disease (i.e., Hand, Foot and Mouth, Pink Eye), or is very lethargic or is unable to actively participate in the program, we will contact the parents to pick them up as soon as possible. If a parent cannot be reached, we will proceed to contact the people listed on the child's "Permit to Pick Up" form. **Note: The child must then be fever/symptom free for at least 24 hours prior to returning to school.**

We are also doing our part in keeping the school clean and as germ free as possible. We make up our disinfecting solution using JAWS professional Duo complete solution, disinfect before and after all meals, wash children's hands before/after meals and coming inside or changing rooms. Toys that children put in their mouth are set aside to be disinfected daily as well.

