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Escuelita del Alma

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Teachers' Birthdays

- Oct. 20—Ms. Azucena, Gold Rm.
- Oct. 26—Ms. Yanitza, Yellow Rm.
- Nov. 4—Ms. Maria C., Gold Rm.
- Nov. 9—Ms. Blanca, Cook
- Nov. 13—Ms. Brenda, Green Rm.
- Nov. 25—Ms. Mirzi, Bronze Rm.
- Dec. 10—Ms. Pilar, Housekeeping
- Dec. 26—Ms. Raquel, Pink Rm.
- Dec. 30—Ms. Marlene, Substitute Tchr.

Halloween/Fall Carnival—Nov. 1st

Escuelita will host its annual Fall/Halloween carnival in our playground of the main building on Friday, Nov., 1, the day after Halloween. Each class will host a booth to run at which the children will take turns playing “for prizes”. For each booth to be attended for the two-hour carnival duration, we request that parents volunteer for short periods of 15, 20, or 30 minutes to work at the class booth. If you wish to volunteer, please contact your classroom Room Parent about it. The carnival is free and open to all Escuelita families and their relatives and friends.

We also request your donations of healthy and safe treats to hand out as prizes to each child for “playing” at the booths. Your donations can consist of goldfish or pretzel baggies; gummy fruit treats; sheets of stickers; raisin boxes; party favors; fruit rolls, etc. Please refrain from donating items that contain nuts of any kind due to the allergies of some of our students. We highly encourage that your child dress in Halloween costume during the carnival. You can bring the costume in the morning of Nov. 1st and the teachers will help your child to get dressed in it after nap-time. With assistance from the teachers, the children will also work in class on making their own container in which to store the collected treats. The children will attend the carnival during these time slots:

- 3:15-4:15 pm—Gold, Silver, Bronze, White, Green, Red, Yellow, Purple & Turquoise Rooms**
- 4:15-5:15 pm—Pink, Orange, Blue, Copper & Rainbow Rooms**

Parking in our lots is limited. Please observe and respect all parking requirements for the neighborhood streets. Additional parking can be found at the Pediatric Cardiology Clinic as early as 3 p.m. **No earlier.**

No Pumpkin Patch Field Trips

This Fall, Escuelita’s students will not be able to visit the pumpkin patch at Ridgetop Elementary due to the school’s cancellation of their annual event. On an annual basis, our students visit Ridgetop’s fundraising pumpkin patch because of the proximity to Escuelita and because of the storytelling activities that they host for our kids. Other pumpkin patches throughout town are just not logistically possible. We apologize for the lack of pumpkin patch field trips for this year.

Thanksgiving Holiday

We wish to remind you that Escuelita will be closed on Thursday **and** Friday, Nov. 28th and 29th, in observance of Thanksgiving. We will be open with normal hours of operation from Monday through Wednesday of Thanksgiving week.

In a couple of weeks, we will attach an attendance survey to the sign in clipboard of every class, on which we request information regarding your attendance needs for that week. Its purpose is to determine how many students will be in attendance on those three days of Thanksgiving week. Annually, we find that many of you travel out of town during that week and the class sizes are drastically reduced those three days. If we know the approximate number of students who will be in attendance that week and see that we will not need 100% of our teaching staff, we might be able to honor the requests for an extra day or two of time off for some of our teachers, so that they can also travel to see their families. We appreciate your support with this.