



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe we've already completed one month of school! We have a remarkable staff and amazing Let Me Shine students and families! We are off to a great start and it's been wonderful to hear the excitement in the children's voices as they tell you about their school day and what they've learned. It is an honor to serve as director of Let Me Shine and I thank you again for the privilege of caring for your children.

We have some fun events planned this month! We look forward to our Harvest parties and the children also get to participate in our Annual Pumpkin Hunt. On this day the children hear the Pumpkin Gospel...just as the messy insides of a pumpkin are scooped out and a light shines inside a jack-o-lantern, so are our messes/sins cleaned up and forgiven and God's light shines in us!

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." John 8:12

In His service,

Barb

Barbara Ballif, Director



Harvest Celebration

Parties held on
October 30th & 31st

Halloween Costume policy.

Have fun this Halloween with your class parties

BUT! NO MASKS or gory costumes are allowed.

They frighten the little ones! NO EXCEPTIONS!



SCHOOL'S OUT FOR UEA/FALL RECESS

OCTOBER 19 & 20

Pumpkin Hunts!
October 23rd & 24th



SCHOOLSPIRIT TASTEGREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Let Me Shine Preschool.

Come in to the Chipotle at **1011 East 2100 South** in Salt Lake City on **Wednesday, October 18th** between **5:00pm and 9:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Let Me Shine Preschool.



If placing an order online during your fundraiser, please note you must choose the pay in-store option and inform our cashier of your participation before paying. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

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**Coming
up!!**



**Need a little
extra time in the
morning?**

Be sure to take advantage of Morning Bunch !

Advanced notice is required!

Drop off time is anytime between 8:00am—8:45am. Please sign your child in as usual on the clip board at the sign-in table and bring him/her down to Miss Sabrina's Room #8. Morning Bunch has story time, color time and game time! Make sure your child has breakfast before they come! Your child will be escorted to their classroom to begin their school day at 9:00am.

**PARENT-TEACHER
CONFERENCES
&
SCHOLASTIC
BOOK FAIR
NOVEMBER 6-10
BEFORE & AFTER
SCHOOL**



**Annual
Family
Fun
Pumpkin
Carving
Lunch**

Join us as we share a meal and carve pumpkins on **Sunday, October 29th** following **10:30** worship. Bring your pumpkins, carving tools, stencils, and creativity to get your pumpkins ready for Halloween. Pasta bar will be provided for lunch. If able, bring a dessert to share.

EVERYONE is invited!

If you would like to help by bring pasta bar items, please contact Louise Nelson at mlcnelson@yahoo.com or 801-281-4824.

LUNCHBUNCH



Do you need an extra hour after school for a hair appointment, doctor's appointment, etc.? Try out the **Let Me Shine Lunch Bunch** program!

Lunch Bunch is a hit with kids, and it is so easy to do. Pack a lunch for your child, buy a lunch ticket in the office, and that's it! We'll take care of the rest. You don't need to come until 1:00 for pick-up, and the lunch bunch kids will be downstairs in the Terrace Room. Lunch Bunch is a lot of fun for the kids! We play lots of games, have fun and interesting activities, and the kids get to eat their lunch together in a social setting! Our fabulous Lunch Bunch staff helps the kids open their lunches (eating the "healthy stuff" first!), then they get to do floor tumbling, art, fun games, story time, even some science activities! Lunch Bunch costs \$6.50 for one ticket, but if you buy the tickets in a pack of 10, the price is \$60.00 (a savings of \$5.00). We'd love to have you! If you have any questions about lunch bunch, please ask Barb or Holly for information!

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Each family at Let Me Shine is required to complete five volunteer hours during the school year. You may "opt out" of volunteering with a \$50 payment to Let Me Shine. We do hope you'll decide to volunteer—it's a great way to meet the kids, parents & staff, and learn about the day-to-day activities at Let Me Shine. **Here are a few ideas to get you started:** Assist in the classroom (with prior arrangement), maintain & straighten storage rooms, at-home projects, book fair volunteers, library maintenance, read to a class, talk about your occupation, etc. Please talk to Barb, Holly, or your child's teacher about additional opportunities or ideas. Your help is always welcome!!

Miss Kristina's Birds



Dear Parents,

We are off to a fabulous start, September was a great month! It's fun to see how different these kids are - some walk right in and own the place, others are more observant and some would prefer to have mom stay, too :) I want to assure you, that I embrace all these different personalities and I'm trying to meet each child at whatever point they may be right now.

This is how we spend our first month together: getting to know each other, getting to know our families (thanks for the scrapbook pages!), checking out different toys and already doing some fun art projects, like the placemats we'll be using for snack time.

In October we will be getting ready for fall with seasonal crafts, colors and smells, like pumpkin spiced play dough, an on-site-field-trip (Pumpkin Gospel) and a Harvest Celebration (dates TBA). Please check for additional information/sign-up sheets above the cubbies. You may dress up your children, if they like costumes, for the Harvest Celebration. But please have them wear regular clothes underneath or bring a change of clothes - they are usually done wearing costumes after a while.

Also coming up:

- * U.E.A. October 19 & 20 - NO SCHOOL!!
- * Look out for sign-up sheets for Parent-Teacher Conference by the end of the month
- * Cooler temperatures: it's getting chilly on our morning walks, please dress accordingly

Thank you so much for your support (my volunteer folder is always empty thanks to YOU!) and for sharing your precious kids with me!

Blessings,

Miss Kristina

Miss Carlee's Owlets

Hi Parents!!!

Wow I can't believe it's already October! All the kids are starting to get the hang of things! They are getting the rules and routine down. This month we are going to be talking about autumn and leaves. We are going to learn songs about pumpkins. I will keep you all posted about when we are having our harvest party and pumpkin hunt! With all of that said, it's getting colder outside so please remember to bring jackets!! Thank you all for a great first month!!



God's blessings

Miss Carlee

Miss Anne's Bees



Dear Families,

We are off to a great start in Room 6! I have enjoyed getting to know your children - they are a wonderful group! We have settled into our classroom routines and it is fun to see the kids come in ready to play and learn each morning! We spent the majority of the month talking about classroom expectations and establishing routines, introducing art supplies (crayons, paints, scissors, and glue), and playing together! We started our journey through the alphabet with letters "A" & "B." Show & Tell and celebrating our first classroom birthday (Happy Birthday Henry W.) were definite highlights in our room!

I am looking forward to cooler weather and all the Fall fun ahead! October means colorful leaves, pumpkins, and harvest time! I will put out a sign-up sheet for volunteer opportunities. Please remember to label children's coats.

Blessings,



Miss Anne



Miss April's Raccoons

Hi there Raccoons!

September has flown by! We have had such a great month. We learned about making good choices, our feelings, and how God loves us! October is going to be a lot of fun. We will start the first week with the letter A, and go all the way to Z by the end of May. The kids will paint with apples, taste different types of apples, and talk about the seeds and how they grow. Then we'll move on to "B," "C" and "D!" I include a bible story with each letter as well. This group loves to move so I'll be incorporating lots of songs with dancing and singing. I love the energy they bring each day!

With Love,

Miss April



Miss Chris's Critters

We are entering our fourth week of school and have had a wonderful start. I feel like the honeymoon is coming to an end but with all the enthusiasm in our classroom, I can't help but to think the fun is just getting started. Thus far, we have worked on letters "A" and "B". With each letter, I try to incorporate an art project that represents that letter. We have started practicing writing our names. Please be sure to work with your children and be interactive — I feel writing one's name is an imperative skill. Thank you for the blessing of teaching your children.!



Miss Chris

Miss Alia's Music Class



Hello Let Me Shine friends!

It has been a great first month together singing and dancing, and I've enjoyed getting to know your children! We've sung songs and said chants that have taught us about steady beat, soft and loud, and fast and slow. We started off with two of my favorite songs, "Little Red Caboose" (Lisa Loeb version is my favorite) and "You'll Sing a Song and I'll Sing a Song" (Ella Jenkins). I encourage you to download them and enjoy them together with your children!



"Sing"cerely, Miss Alia

For our Let Me Shine Students celebrating their big day this month of

October

Happy Birthday!

to:

Michael Skidmore
Henry Eyring
Hannah Parker
Rachel Parker
Abraham Hartle
Virginia McCormick
Rosemary Preston
Benjamin Luke Raybould
Jane Gray
Winston Moore
George Moore
Max Moore
Samantha Terrion
William Hullinger
Milo Larsen
Kate Womack

Miss Kristina's Ladybugs



What a fun first month of school we had! We made new friends, learned our classroom routines, and mastered the behavior of preschool scholars. Now as the seasons change we are ready for even more excitement. In October we will be studying insects and spiders, looking for signs of fall, and of course exploring pumpkins. We will also be welcoming our first parent volunteers into the room! (Look for a sign-up sheet posted in the hall.) Our second month of school will conclude with our harvest parties (Monday the 30th and Tuesday the 31st) – the children are welcome to wear friendly costumes free of masks and face paint to celebrate. Thank you, as always, for all you do for your kiddos and our class!

Miss Kristina



Miss Sabrina's Sweeties!



Hello Fabulous Parents,
What a blast our first month of school has been. We have tasted 12 different types of apples and made a cake with apples and learned about the letter A. Then with the letter "B" we went on a bug hunt and went looking for birds. Along with all of this we have been learning about how to be busy with God's work like the ant and to do our work without a frown. God has also given each one of us a special job; like the honey bees is to make honey. The letter "C" we have talked about cats, caterpillars and the cross. Most of all, we have been loving each other and getting to know each other. My class is full of sweeties!

Blessings, Miss Sabrina

Miss Heather's Happy Hedgehogs



We had a great first month of school! The children are settling into their new routine and starting to form friendships. It's wonderful to see their personalities emerge as they become more comfortable at school. Our favorite things so far are stroller rides, the sensory table and Little Mouse! October will be a busy, fun month. We will learn about autumn leaves, farms and animals. For our Halloween celebration we will gather pumpkins, have a little party, and trick or treat around the school. I will post a sign-up sheet if you would like to help. Thank you to my wonderful parents for your support and patience! Each day with your children is a true blessing to me.



In His Service, Miss Heather

Miss Megan's Fox Den



I can't believe September has come and gone already! What a delightful first month of school! This month we've gotten to know each other and I have adored seeing friendships forming in our classroom. I am amazed at how kind and loving our class is and look to each child as an example of kindness and service. During this first month we have worked on setting up a classroom routine and getting to know our new friends!

It's been spectacular and I can't wait to see what else we will do this year. This October we will be learning all about fall and the harvest, along with "whoa foods" and "go foods!" Be sure to look on our classroom cork board for volunteer opportunities! Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns!

Sincerely, Miss Megan