

"A Five Star, Nationally Accredited Center"

Welcome to our Wee Know Oriole classroom! We are excited to meet all the new Oriole children and families! This year we plan to introduce our preschoolers to many interesting concepts that help them learn about themselves and the world around them in a supportive and nurturing environment. It is our belief that children learn through play and exploration. Through each topic your child will discover and practice new skills that will ultimately help them grow in social and emotional confidence, giving them a strong foundation for future learning.

Meet the Teachers

The Oriole teaching team includes Sky Beckstead, Trudy Rosko & Laura Simmons

Sky Beckstead has been at Wee Know since fall of 2022. This is her first year in the Oriole classroom and has been an assistant in the Canary and Bumblebee classrooms. Sky has her associate degree in Early Childhood Education. She is excited to get to know all the Oriole families this coming school year.

<u>Trudy Rosko</u> has been teaching at Wee Know since December 2017. She graduated from WCTC with an associate degree in Early Childhood Education and has been teaching in the field since 2009. She is looking forward to getting to know you and your child this school year!

Laura Simmons started at Wee Know in March 2023. She worked in the Chickadee and Canary classrooms during the spring and Bumblebee classroom this summer. Laura is looking forward to being in the Oriole classroom this fall and cannot wait to get to know your child!

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES & THEMES

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- 15 Getting Acquainted; "Aa"

The first 10 days of school, we will be focusing on our new school community. We will get acquainted with new friends, learn classroom rules, and all about the many fun learning centers in our classroom. During our Circle time we will read the book <u>The Kissing Hand</u> and <u>Our Class is a Family</u>.

September 18-22 Apples; "Bb"



This week the Orioles will dive into our apple theme. Our dramatic play area will transform into an apple market. Our senses will be heightened with smells of oats, cinnamon sticks, and apples in our sensory table. We will combine a little math and science with some apple tasting and graphing while learning about the parts of an apple. As we explore our apple theme, we will be adding many of the children's art creations to our class BRAVO board in our classroom.

<u>Sept. 25-29</u>



<u>Fall Fun; "Bb"</u>

As the weather gets cooler and the leaves start to change, we will learn about the autumn season. In our science center we will have different types of leaves, acorns, and pinecones for the children to explore. During this week we will read books about fall and learn a few new songs during our Circle time. In our sensory table we will have corn with pinecones, mini pumpkins, and fabric leaves for the children to express their creativity.

Save the Date....

Ebert's Pumpkin Farm:

Monday, October 16th

Your Oriole Teachers, Ms. Sky & Mrs. Rosko & Ms. Laura



MONTHLY NEWS & SNACK CALENDAR

Each month a "**Classroom Newsletter**" and "**Snack Calendar**" will be sent to you via email. You may request a paper copy by contacting our office. We ask each family to bring a "morning" snack for our class about once every four to six weeks. Please review the classroom calendar to see if your child has been assigned a snack day. Healthy snacks are recommended and Wee Know will always provide milk and water. A list of snack ideas is available in our office if needed. We are happy to email a copy to you. Please bring <u>16</u> snacks on your child's snack day. Due to NAC (National Accreditation Guidelines) homemade snacks are not allowed. <u>Prepared</u> food being shared among children must be commercially prepared. If fruit or vegetables are sent, please leave in original packaging.

