



# **Osteen Head Start**

Special days to remember . Please mark your calendar :

Parent Meeting October 3, 2:30 Pm

Parent Night Museum of Art Deland, October 18 @ 5:00 pm

Parent Involvement TBA

## From the Desk of: Pam Call, CDS

Fall is here and we are already off to a wonderful beginning of preschool here at our center. A warm welcome to you all and I hope that the school year is off to a great start for you and your family! We have had a wonderful start to our school year and it seems as though everyone has made a smooth transition. If your child is still having a difficult time separating, please be sure to make an appointment with your child's teacher and myself so we can help to ease the transition some. By working together, we can make this a wonderful beginning to your child's education. Your children are all a delight and they will teach us many things. They will help us remember how to play, live in the moment, and to make new discoveries. Let's be models of the behavior we want them to have; cooperate, share, take turns, laugh, play and "use our words".

Remember we encourage volunteering and welcome all of you to join our teachers and children in the classrooms. Your children enjoy seeing you in the classroom and so do we...

Be sure to attend the next parent meeting at your center, you can check with your teacher or family advocate if you are not sure when it is. Our open house will be this month also, please come so you can receive your Galileo log-in information.

Please do your best to bring your child to school every day we understand that things happen, so if your child can't come please be sure to call your child's teacher to let them know they will not be here or that they

### Annette Gregory

#### Helpful tip for the month

With this being the start of cold and flu season remember that you can receive up to \$25 a month in over the counter medications through Medicaid. Each HMO has a specific way to receive these items so you will need to be aware of your specific plan. Take at look at the list of items you can receive for free with your plan. The list has many useful items ranging from cold and allergy medica-



Classroom 1 Mrs. Adela and Mrs. Linnette

During the month of October, we will be learning about community helpers such as Moving the Mail and the responsibilities of a doctor and a dentist. With these themes in place, children will develop vocabulary, practice math concepts, sing songs, sort materials, and participate in dramatic play activities, they also will be learning about the tools, uniforms, and safety resources these community helpers bring into our community.

Furthermore, if at any time a particular subject interests you, or you have something to share with the class to enrich the children's experience, please contact us.

Thank you!

#### Classroom 2 Ms. Lorraine and Ms. Lee Ann

Hello Parent/Guardian,

We would like to thank you all for getting your child to school every day. We have been transitioning them from the home environment to the school environment. The children have learned the classroom daily routine and rules. They learned about families and community along with community helpers and pedestrian safety in the month of September. In the month of October we will be learning about our five senses. They will continue learning shapes, colors, and letters starting with their names.

#### Learning Goals:

Writing, Patterns, Science, Motivation to read, Fine motor skills, Listening Comprehension,

#### Second Step:

The children will be learning to identify feelings. Learn how to manage their feelings with words. Talking about how we feel is better than physically acting out on our feeling. The children will learn new ways to calm them selves down and take control of those strong feelings.

#### Parent Corner:

Parents please check your child's cubbies. Make sure that they have a full set of clothes according to the weather. The weather will be cooling down so please have a sweater or jacket for them to wear when we go outside. Also please remember that school begins at 7:45 until 2:00 pm. Please get your child to school on time. The morning activities are an important part of their development.

#### Classroom 3 Mrs. Gisela and Mrs. Mercedes

Hello in this month of October we will be learning about the helpers in our community. Doctor, Dentist and many others. The children will be planting strawberries in our gardens. (Nutrition- USDA) We will continue to learn our letters and sounds. Identifying numbers, among other classroom activities. With Second Step, we will be learning "Identifying Feelings" and "Identifying Anger". Remember these are the topics that we will be covering dur-