#### **United Day Care Center**

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With Halloween coming up, United Day Care Center wants to remind you of some helpful tips for Trick or Treating from La Petite Academy!

- Plan ahead a route in advance before it gets too dark
- Express the importance of staying together and review safety rules
- Eat a healthy meal or snack before heading out
- Consider using flameless candles for pumpkins to reduce the risk of fires
- Inspect your child's costume and look for anything that could cause your child harm:
  - Masks may obstruct a child's view and not be well ventilated - consider using nontoxic face paint
  - Look for flame-resistant fabrics to prevent the possibility of a burn by standing too close to candle-lit decor
  - Capes can cause a strangulation risk make sure they are not tied too tightly.
  - Consider using lights, glow sticks, and light up shoes to boost visibility.
- Supervision is important
- Remind children to walk instead of run between houses.
- Examine all treats before eating, be sure to supervise your child to avoid choking hazards
- Talk about food allergies and why they should avoid sharing candy with friends.
- Help your child build healthy habits by talking about the importance of rationing candy consumption.

If you are a family of United Day Care Center, please consider attending our fall festival on October 27th! The children can wear their costumes to school that day and can enjoy decorating a pumpkin with their family!





# **Infant/Toddler Room Updates**



## Room 1 - Continuity of Care

We have welcomed Ms. Farima to our room! This month we will be working on sharing, kindness, and staying safe. At the end of the month, we will be learning all about different aspects of fall. Please remember as the weather gets cooler, we will still be playing outside and your child will need clothes to keep them warm!

#### Room 2 - One Year Olds

We have a month full of fall fun planned! This month we are going to be talking about fire safety including "stop, drop, and roll." We will be decorating pumpkins and going on a pumpkin patch trip around the center. Please remember as the weather changes to bring jackets or coats and hats and gloves when necessary. We look forward to this month and exploring all of our themes with everyone!

#### Room 5 - Infants

Happy October Room 5 friends and family! We're so excited to welcome new friends to our classroom. This month we're looking forward to celebrating fall with seasonal, sensory experiences, creative expression, and nature based play outside! We're most looking forward to our sensory and tactile play with nature based fall elements and reading new books about fall and Yom Kippur.

# Room 4 - Continuity of Care

This month we will be exploring ways to stay safe during a fire for fire safety week as well as taking a trip to the fire station! Students will be painting with pumpkins, where they come from, and tasting pumpkins during pumpkins week! We look forward to seeing everyone at our Fall Fest on the 27th! Please help us welcome Ms. Grace. Happy birthday to Lilith!

# **Preschool Room Updates**

#### Room 3 - 2.5/3 Year Olds

Room 3 is excited for the weather to be changing and becoming cooler. We are asking parents to bring in clothes for cooler weather months as we continue to switch out summer clothing. We will be doing new activities with the students and learning about the new season of fall!

#### Room 6 - 3/4 Year Olds

Room six is just booming with new faces and we have been excited learning about all our new friends! This month is filled with fun and creative activities. During our Fire Safety week we will be creating our own fire extinguishers as well as building fire trucks out of boxes. As we explore the theme of Fantasy and Reality we will be designing fairy gardens and clay "monsters". As we finish the month we will be doing many activities involving PUMPKINS! Pumpkin seed counting, pumpkin volcanos and pumpkin slime! It is going to be a very FUN October! As always, Thank you for your support and Happy Fall!



Room 7 reenacted "Itsty Bitsy Spider" during nursery rhymes week.

## Room 7 - 4/5 Year Olds

Our room has enjoyed learning about fall and what this new season brings! We are going outside In the mornings, so a jacket can be kept In your child's locker for cool mornings! We have fun topics we are learning about this month! We will discuss the difference between make believe and reality, learn about pumpkins and how they grow, and so many other fun topics!

# **Our Topics for the Month:**

10/3-10/7: Fire Safety

10/10-10/14: Fantasy vs. Reality

10/17-10/21: Pumpkins

10/24-10/28: Scarecrows

10/31-11/4: Fall Fest