

Happy Fall!

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School has gotten off to a fantastic start. The children are already acclimated and are having a wonderful time learning how to be great First School students! We look forward to an exciting October filled with field trips and Halloween parties.

Meet New Teacher Gretchen Brocwell

Mrs. Brocwell joined our fine team of educators this year. She is from Columbus, OH and is married and has one son and 3 dogs! She has taught preschool for 8 years. Mrs. Brocwell loves to read, hang out with her dogs, try new restaurants with her family and do volunteer work. She loves to try new food trucks too and has traveled to Hawaii (her favorite) but also likes Hocking Hills, Charleston, SC, and Disney World. When asked what she likes most about teaching, she replied that "Each child is a special individual. I love getting to know them and seeing their growth, in all areas, over the school year." When asked what else we should know about her she replied that she loves drinking coffee... And she's very clumsy! :) Mrs. Brocwell teacher our T/TH AM and PM 3/4's classes.

YOGA CLASS has ONE Spot Left! Call fast to enroll!

FIELD TRIP INFO—OCT. 15 and Oct. 18

We will be going to WARRICK FARM at 8055 South Union Rd. in Miamisburg, 45342. The cost will be \$5 for a Parent (you will not get a pumpkin), \$7 per child (they will get a pumpkin) and Under 2 Free, but no pumpkin. We will be going on a hayride, looking at animals, and playing on the farm. They will stop at a field and you'll have an opportunity to see COWS up close and personal! MWF AM & PM classes and Kindergarten and M-F AM 4's will go on Oct. 15 and T/TH AM and PM will go on Oct. 18. AM classes should meet by 9 AM and PM classes should meet by Noon. You will be receiving a sign-up form from your teacher soon. This should be a great trip for all. (The hayride is NOT scary!).

Dance Class is for Boys, too! :))

We still have room in Mrs. Merrill's dance class which is a year long class on Thursdays during Lunch Bunch. Jazz, hip hop, ballet and creative movement are explored through lots of body movement activities and games, dance language, team work, listening and choreography. Please let Stacey know if you'd like to join the class. This is a really fun learning experience.

FAMILY FUN CRAFT NIGHT Coming soon

**Nov. 7th 6p.m.—
7:00p.m.**

This is the first of our Family Fun Events for the 2018-19 school year. We will be crafting a Thanksgiving table craft made by the entire family together. Come make what might be your next family heirloom! A flyer will come home soon. All are welcome!

Missed our Spirit Wear order?
I have three 1/4 zip grey sweat-shirts in Small in my office. They are really sharp looking. Cost: \$25.

Dates to Remember:

- Oct 3 Yoga Class starts
- Oct 5 Father's Friday
- Oct 8: Picture Re-Take Day from 9—9:45. Email Stacey for appt.
- Oct. 9 & 10: Spirit Day. Wear green or a First School shirt.
- Oct. 15 Field Trip for MWF, Early 5's and K
- Oct. 18 Field Trip for T/TH
- Oct 23 & 24 Color of the Month: Wear ORANGE
- Oct 25 and 26—Parent Teacher Conferences. NO School. Babysitting provided during conferences.
- Oct. 30 and 31: Halloween Parties

PICTURE Re-TAKE DAY is MONDAY OCTOBER 8 from 9:00 to 9:45. Please email Stacey for an appointment.

SPIRIT DAYS Oct. 9 and 10!!!!!!

FATHER'S FRIDAY
Friday October 5 from 5:00—7:00pm. This is a very cherished tradition at First School. Dads and their kids travel from station to station completing fun tasks together and finish off the evening with a tasty snack. We'll have lots of fun for everyone! For 2's and 3's please arrive at 5:00 and for 4's and 5's and K please arrive by 5:45. The stations should take no more than an hour to complete.

Halloween Parties:

Please drop your child off in the morning as usual. Students are permitted to wear costumes. **NO MASKS OR WEAPONS please. Masks or weapons will be removed from the classroom and returned to you at pick up time. They cause real problems for our teachers. Please just keep them at home! Thanks.**

Parties begin at 10:00 am on the day your teacher assigns. For afternoon classes, they will begin at 12:30. Parents are welcome to join the party. If you have volunteered to help with the party, a letter will be sent home with your child in their school bag.

Thanks for making Halloween a special time. It is so much fun!

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

On October 25 & 26 you will have an opportunity to speak with your child's teacher in a private parent only 15 minute meeting about their progress, success and areas to improve. There is babysitting provided by our fun room staff and assistants in the fun room. *There are no classes these two days.*

Please remember to label your child's coats, mittens, scarves, etc. as cold weather is approaching. Thank you!

ANNOUNCING our NOVEMBER EXPLORER'S CLUB class!

On TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS Nov. 6. 8. 13. and 15 we will be having a MESSY ART Class taught by Mrs. Kershner! Come let your kids get their hands dirty as they explore different art mediums. This could include, paint, clay, shaving cream, and more! Flyer coming soon!

Please keep sending in those BoxTops!

Thank you to Mrs.
SARAH JOHNSON



for being
our coordinator!

Notes from the Office:

- Thank you for your timely turning in of Medical Statements. It really helps us out.
- Please try to use the FIRST SCHOOL book bags that have been given to each student. It helps the teachers tremendously to be able to put artwork and school work in this style of bag.
- Please after having your child put in your car at pick up, pull forward to the pond to buckle them in the car seat.
- Thanks!

Let's Support our Family Businesses!

Every month in this spot we will feature (free of charge!) one of our family's businesses. Let's support one another. This month we are featuring:

ACME SEWER AND DRAIN SERVICE. This is owned by the Witten family. It has been owned and operated by them since 1971(the same year First School started!). Who doesn't need to have their drains unclogged every once in a while? This is a "Roto Rooter" type business. Please call Jeff Witten at 937-286-4352 next time you have a clog! (Please contact Stacey if you want to be featured in November's Newsletter).

