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Director's Message

Hello families! I don't know about you but I blinked and October flew by! The children are settling well into routines and learning is in full swing.

One unfortunate but recent trend in full swing is the rapid rise of sickness during this flu season. Please note that there are a wide variety of illnesses impacting our community including croup, RSV, COVID, flu, pink eye, and other viruses.

Please monitor your child closely for symptoms and use an abundance of caution if your child is exhibiting any symptoms. Thank you for your help in keeping our school family healthy!

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, Nov. 8th & Nov. 22nd – Hearing Screening

Wednesday, Nov. 17th – Macfeat Advisory Board Meeting @ 6pm

Wednesday, Nov. 23rd – Friday, Nov. 25th – No School

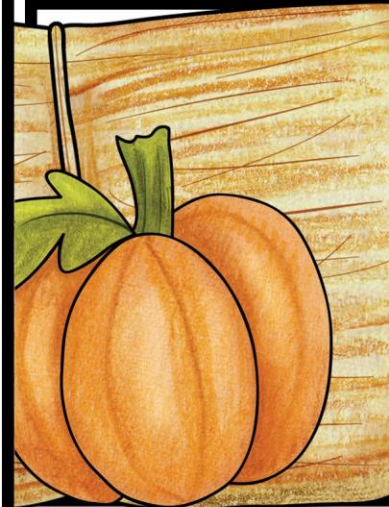
Monday, November 28th – School Resumes

Friday, Dec. 2nd- No Afterschool Care (Due to Christmasville Parade Traffic)

Friday, Dec. 9th- Last Day Before Break



Macfeat Family Gathering & Luncheon



Save the date for Friday, Dec. 9th for the Macfeat Family Gathering & Luncheon from 11am – 1pm. Teachers will host an activity in the classroom between 11-12pm and then we will transition into the SAC for a luncheon from 12-1pm. More information will be coming soon!

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Case of the Missing Spoons



Have you seen a child's spoon in your dishwasher that you don't recognize? It is probably one of Macfeat's spoons!

We are having an issue where spoons keep disappearing! If you see a spoon come home, please help by sending it back. Or if you know your child's lunch requires cutlery, please send it in your child's lunchbox to help reduce Macfeat's spoons from being placed in lunchboxes. Thank you!

Food Requirements

Just a friendly reminder that we are a nut free school and items containing any kind of nut should not be sent. Sun butter is welcomed, and if you chose to send this, please label the sandwich/ item as sun butter. Also, please do not forget that DSS requires round, easy to choke on foods such as grapes, hot dogs, and carrots to be cut into pieces no greater than $\frac{1}{4}$ inch. Thank you for your support in meeting these nutrition requirements.



Weather Changes

As the seasons change, the weather shifts to that awkward time where it is cold in the morning and warm in the afternoon. One suggestion to help with this wide range in temperature within one day is to dress your child in layers. Also, be sure to change out their extra set of clothing in the classroom to reflect the most recent weather conditions.

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Social Media

Did you know that Macfeat has a social media presence on Facebook & Instagram? Please click the links to like these pages and check them out frequently as important information & photos of the children learning will be posted.



[Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)



I am hoping you can help spread the word and share with your family and friends the remarkable experience your child is having at Macfeat and encourage others in the community to enroll. Open enrollment began October 1st, and I ask that you *help spread the word by sharing on your own social media pages* and please let me know of any *additional digital news platforms you may have access to*. Thank you for your help!



Macfeat families also have access to a private parent page on Facebook called Macfeat Parent Community. This is a **private group** for current parents and should not be shared publically. Please request access to this group to receive additional information specific to our current families and teachers (ex. babysitting opportunities).

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2006405549616959>

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My Favorite Things



In this month's newsletter communication I have attached a pdf including a favorite things list for all of the lead teachers, Graduate Assistants, Ms. Williams, and for myself.

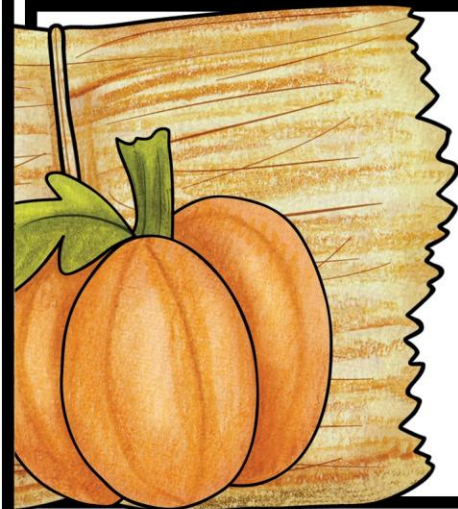
Family Directory

In this month's newsletter communication I have attached a pdf including a directory of families arranged by teacher. Please note that not all parents chose to include their child's information in the directory so it is not comprehensive of all Macfeat students.



Need a Babysitter?

We have several wonderful student workers at Macfeat that are interested in providing babysitting services to families. If you are interested, there are fliers in the main lobby area on the cubby next to the office door. In Ms. Porter's room she also has some fliers at her sign-in area.



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Community Connections & Events



Shop Small Saturday is an opportunity for residents to support local businesses in Old Town Rock Hill. By shopping at participating stores on the second Saturday of each month, customers will receive discounts, special offers, and much more!

The 29th Annual Renaissance Festival is in town and provides a unique experience for families with children of all ages. One change to the event this year is you do need to reserve tickets in advance and can do so by visiting <https://www.carolina.renfestinfo.com/>



Check out the 3rd Annual South Carolina Christmas Show in Historic Downtown York, SC. on Friday November 11th thru Sunday November 13th.

Show times are as follows:
Friday - 10 AM to 5 PM
Saturday - 10 AM to 5 PM
Sunday - 11 AM to 5 PM



This is our largest vendor show of the year as we host vendors from all over the region celebrating the Christmas Holiday Season. We will have live entertainment, music, performances, shopping, food trucks, and more... This a free family friendly event.

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The [Founders Holiday Ice Rink](#) is BACK this year! Opening day is set for November 17! Bring your family and friends out for some outdoor fun in Old Town!

Winterfest at Carowinds

Gather the whole family to make lifelong memories at Carowinds' WinterFest and celebrate the holidays with millions of lights, ice skating, family activities, live entertainment, specialty holiday comfort food, and select attractions. Winterfest runs from Nov. 21st to Jan 1st. For more information visit

<https://www.carowinds.com/events/winterfest>



Christmasville

This annual festival in downtown Rock Hill will be held from December 1st to December 4th. There are a variety of activities to enjoy with your family with children of all ages. For more information visit

<https://www.christmasvillerochhill.com/>

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Winthrop University & Macfeat Collaboration!

Exciting things are happening in Mrs. Porter's class! All students participated in creating works of art that are currently being displayed in the Winthrop University Art Departments gallery titled "Through a Child's Eyes".

McLaurin hall is located just off of Alumni Drive.

The black sign for McLaurin Hall is on the sidewalk in front of a big white door and that white door opens into the gallery!

Through a Child's Eyes

Winthrop University Lewandowski Gallery

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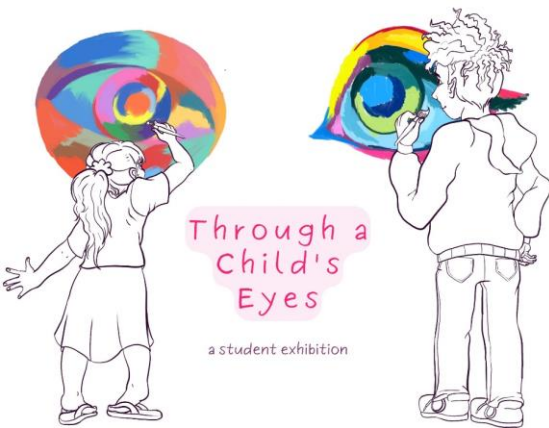
Opening Reception: 11.4.22 5-7pm

Springfield Middle School

King's Town Elementary School

Doby's Bridge Elementary School

Macfeat Early Childhood Laboratory School



See you there!



Toys For Happiness Sign-Up Dates

For York County residents only

Applicant must be a parent or legal guardian

The program provides toys for children ages birth to 14 years.

Please bring the following:

- Your photo ID
 - Proof of income
- AND**
- DSS family printout **OR**
 - Birth certificate for each eligible child.

To be eligible, applicant MAY NOT APPLY at the Salvation Army Angel Tree, U.S. Marine Corp.-Toys for Tots or any other Christmas assistance program.

Applications will be taken at:

ParentSMART

[Rock Hill Schools - Family Literacy & Parent Education Partnerships]

(803) 981-1557

**Sylvia Circle Family Learning Center
929 Sylvia Circle, Rock Hill**

Bilingual assistance available

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Friday, November 4

Friday, November 11

Friday, November 18

For additional information, please contact

WRHI - (803) 324-1340

<https://www.wrhi.com/events/tfh>