



# All Saints' Day School

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## November



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### Fall Festival Fun!

The weather held out for us to have a wonderful fall festival! The children had such a fun-filled time! We had more participation in the trunk or treating than ever - you all are SO creative! A huge thank you to Stephanie for donating her delicious Doughminion donut



creations! So yummy!

All the bounce houses and games kept the children happy, so hopefully the parents and grandparents were able to socialize a little. A HUGE amount of gratitude goes out to Jenni Suhr and her amazing committee: Brooke Brooks (and her husband, Mark!), Page Gritte, Anna Gordon, Ali Nadal, Kirsten Kovack, and David Suhr for building, transporting, and assembling a photo booth for us that we'll be able to use for many events to come!

**Dianne**

Dianne Islev-Petersen



### Hurricane Michael's Mess



The remnants of Hurricane Michael really packed a punch and left its mark on ASDS. Part of one of our huge pine trees surrounding the playground came crashing down and took a chunk of fencing with it. Thankfully, no one was injured, and we had not yet begun the planned replacement of the

fence that has been scheduled to this school year. Jens Islev-Petersen to the rescue! What Director Dianne's husband took on as a simple 2-3 hour task, ended up taking Jens and a buddy five hours to clear! We are grateful to Jens and his friend for their gifts of time and energy. We hope none of you all suffered more than the nuisance of yard debris and a brief temporary power outage.



### ASDS FUNdraiser at The Collective

On **Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>** The Collective (Regency Shopping Center on Laskin Road where Aldo's and



Talbots are located) will be hosting a "Shop for the Cause" to benefit our school. All day that day, anyone who is unable to attend that evening, will have the opportunity to shop, mention ASDS, and the school

will receive a portion of any purchases made. That evening there will be a special event for us from 7-9 for all the moms of the Day School to get together, have a glass of wine, socialize, and SHOP! This is a great way to get to know each other outside of school and enjoy an evening out. Please remember everyone is welcome so tell your friends, neighbors, and relatives about this awesome event! As long as they mention All Saints' Day School! We will also be credited with purchases made during the day if buyers say they are with All Saints' Day School! There will be a special raffle happening so stay tuned for more information about that as the date approaches.

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## Scrub-A-Dub-Dub

As we enter into flu season, please remember that washing our hands is one of the most important steps we can take to avoid getting sick and spreading germs to others. Many diseases and conditions are spread by not washing hands with soap and clean, running water. Please remember to stop by the restrooms in the morning and have your child wash his or her hands before reporting to the classrooms. It might be beneficial to wash hands after school, too. The teachers will continue to have the children wash up throughout the school day. I have found that changing out of "school clothes" when you get home is also beneficial.



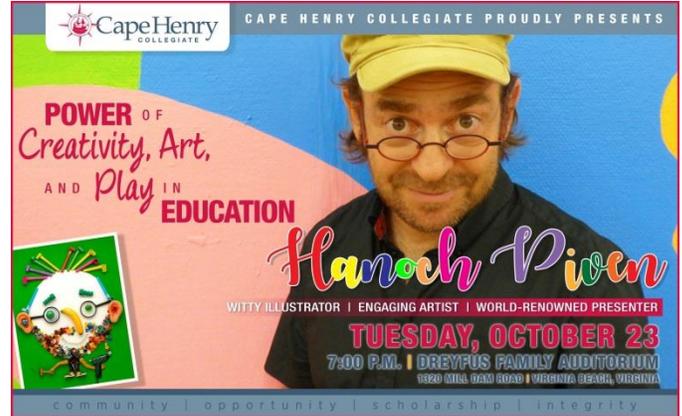
Thank you!

**Director Dianne**

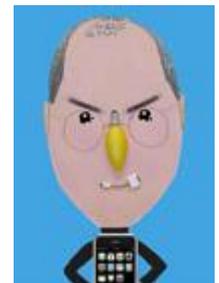


**All Saints' Day School will be CLOSED**  
**Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.**  
**The church is a polling place.**

## An Evening With Hanoch Piven!



Thanks to a lead from long-time ASDS parent, Kate McKnew, whose darling Joseph and Anne Sydney are now students at Cape Henry Collegiate, we were made aware of the October 23<sup>rd</sup> presentation on "Power of Creative Art and Play on Education". As Chair of the Day School Commission and Newsletter Editor, I chose to attend. What a fantastic hour! Hanoch Piven, a man who plays and teaches others to play for a living, was pure entertainment as he provided a preview of workshops he would be presenting to the students at Cape Henry Collegiate over the ensuing three days. He took us on a journey through his life as he became a renowned author, illustrator, and artist; all while playing with found objects. The world's trash has become his treasure. It's worth visiting his website [www.pivenworld.com](http://www.pivenworld.com), not only to appreciate his immense talent, but to see what he accomplishes with children. You don't have to be Hanoch Piven to try your hand at his process. It's only collage! Can you identify these people?



Answers are on  
the Calendar  
page.

**Caryl Felty**

## After School Explorations

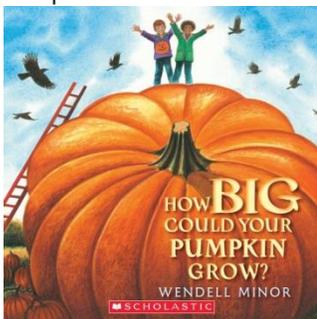
After School Exploration opportunities are available Monday through Thursday. This is a way to extend your child's day by one hour with one of our teacher-taught classes. Classes are registered for individually through the class sponsor, and you may select from one to four days for your child(ren). Gather your paperwork from the Enrichment Desk in the hallway near the red water fountain.



	Art with ASDS Jr. Kindergarten Teacher, Marianne Padrick, held on <b>Mondays.</b>
	KID FIT™ is hosted by an outside agency, with which you will contract directly for Certified Professional Trainer, Jessica Glenn, held on <b>Tuesdays.</b>
	Soccer Shots™ is hosted by this outside agency, with which you will contract directly, on designated <b>Wednesdays.</b> <b>This class is currently FULL.</b>
	STEM with ASDS Jr. Kindergarten Teacher, Marianne Padrick, held on <b>Thursdays.</b>

## Chapel

Chapel time in October was spent talking about our changing season to Fall and Halloween! We enjoyed the books Full of Fall by April Pulley Sayre, How Big Could Your Pumpkin Grow? by Wendell Minor, Click, Clack, Boo! by Doreen Cronin and Five Little Pumpkins by Dan



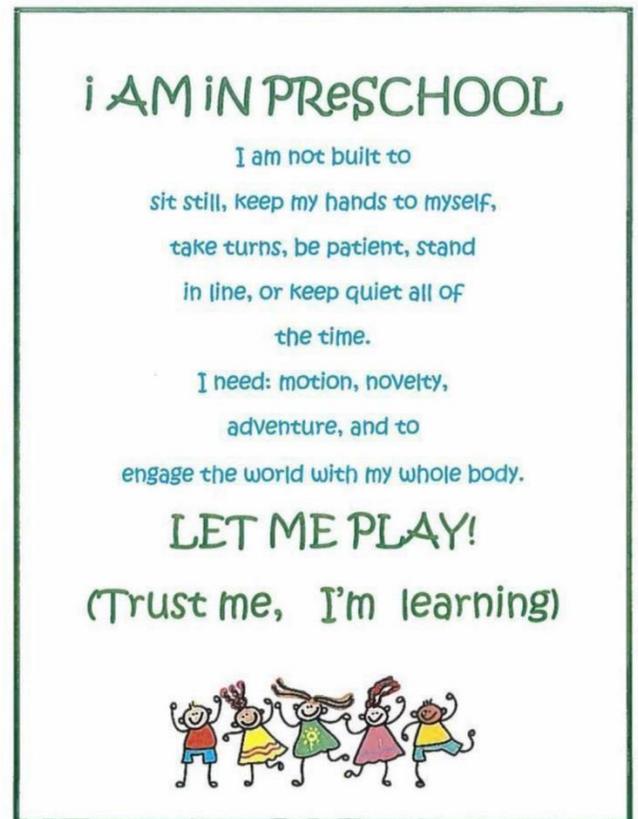
Yaccarino. It's been wonderful to add some fresh books to the mix by visiting our VBPL reading bus! Throughout the month of October we sang the song, "This Little Light of Mine". Please ask your child to sing it for you. Thank you to everyone who remembers to send in spare change for our SPCA collection. I will continue to collect it each Monday during our Chapel time and then send it to

the SPCA at the end of the school year. The children love seeing their money in the special gold bowl! Please know this collection is optional.



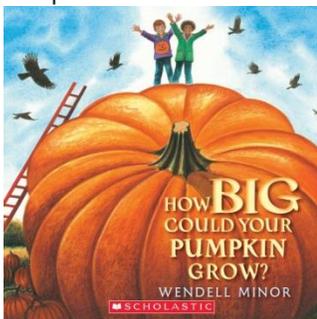
We wrapped up the month by singing "Happy Birthday" to our October friends: Teacher Susan, Owen, Max, Abram, Isla, River, and Adam.

*Director Dianne*



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**Ms. Cathy**  
The Dolphins' daily routine remains the same. Each morning the children are writing words, sentences, and number facts of their



choice. While they work in their notebooks, have free play, or read their library books; I am able to bring each child over for individual reading and math instruction. In reading, the children are mastering mostly one syllable short vowel text and moving into multiple syllable text. We continue focusing on a letter a week. This month we have added L, P, H, and M. The sight words we are adding to our high frequency word wall all start with our focus letter of the week.

In math, we are working on simple addition and subtraction, as well as learning our addition facts. During circle time we have been playing math games using the 1's table and 2's table. The children don't realize it but they are learning the associative property. When adding, you can add the numbers in any order  $4+5=5+4$ .

Each Monday, we start the week with either a cooking lesson or science experiment. We then use the information collected for journaling, and introduction to math concepts. In the kitchen, we have made freshly squeezed lemonade, and English muffin pizza. The children have written reviews of each recipe to add to the cookbooks which will come home at the end of the year. In Science, the dolphins were chemists. We experimented adding food coloring and dish soap to whole milk, skim milk, and water. We discovered the most extreme results were with the whole milk. The children then journaled their hypotheses and results in their science notebooks.



The Dolphin and Sea Otter classes were fortunate to be gifted broccoli, kale, radishes and lettuce for the Children's Garden behind the church. Thank you to the All Saints' Church community! The children were all able to plant their own vegetable. We water the garden most days on the way to recess. The children are recording the progress of all the



vegetables in their gardening journal. The Kindergartners are growing in leaps and bounds. It is truly a joy to be witness to their progress.



**Ms. Marianne & Ms. Teresa**

October has been a "spooktacular" month for

the Sea Otters! Our friends have had a blast learning through spooky Halloween play and hands-on learning experiences!



We started the month out by comparing apples and pumpkins.

This was an excellent opportunity to introduce our measurements unit. Our friends learned all about comparing two objects' weight, size, color and texture, and we learned how to measure using nonstandard units of measurement. Then, we ended the month by cracking our pumpkins open and counting the seeds inside and observing the different parts of the pumpkin. Using real life objects such as pumpkins and apples provides the students with a more tangible learning experience.



In our ABC journals this month, we focused on the letters M, W, H, and L. It is only October and our students are already improving their handwriting skills and recognizing the sounds that different letters make. Each Friday our friends are invited to bring in an object from home that begins with the letter of the week. It is so much fun to see what each friend is going to bring and find new words that begin with the letter of the week.

Our share time is also a great way for students to practice their verbal and social skills in a fun way.

This month, our class had so much fun singing Halloween songs that focused on learning the numbers 1-10, the life cycle of a pumpkin, our body parts and so much more. We even had a visit from Mr. Bones, a spooky skeleton, who came in to sing a song about where our bones are located in our body.

Mr. Bones was not the only spooky character to visit our class this month! During the week of the Fall Festival, the letter W stood for witch. A wicked witch came in to our classroom to show us a magical potion and teach us about chemical reactions, and what the difference is between a soluble and a solution.



Our dramatic play area has seen many make overs this month! First it was an apple orchard, then a pumpkin patch, and lastly a

witch's kitchen! All three themes provided opportunities to practice using new vocabulary words that our class had learned during science, math, and through our many Halloween stories. By providing fun thematic props and using materials seen during our science and math activities, the Sea Otters are given with the opportunity to practice what they are learning through purposeful play experiences.



## Ms. Susan & Ms. Elaine

October has been a fun month for The Stingray's! We have been learning all about apples, leaves and pumpkins! We went on a leaf hunt and it was so much fun. The Stingrays have tried many varieties of apples and picked our favorites. We also tried



yummy apple cider. Learning the letters L, H and P has been a blast.

We dissected a pumpkin and named him Howie the Halloween Jack O' Lantern. He's our class mascot. We made cinnamon pumpkin seeds too. They were so yummy!! Looking forward to Thanksgiving and the month of November!! Happy Halloween!!



## Ms. Sandra & Ms. Beth & Ms. Terry

The Starfish students were busy during the month of October learning about spiders, pumpkins, Halloween, and community helpers. We studied the letters S, P, O, and H, and numbers 3 and 4. We sang our "Rectangle Song", while drawing rectangles on the rug and in the air. Orange and Black were seen throughout the room with

our Halloween decorations and "The Season's Song" was introduced.

We began the month learning about spiders. We studied the life cycle of a spider and went on a spider hunt outside. We were able to find some magnificent spider webs and we even saw spider eggs waiting to be hatched. We made spiders using paper plates and made sure they had eight legs and eight eyes. We sang, "There's a Spider on My Head" and had spiders to put on different parts of our bodies.



We moved onto our unit about pumpkins. We learned about the life cycle of a pumpkin, carved a pumpkin to see the seeds and flesh inside of one, and tasted both. We observed how much water was needed to make our pumpkins float, made pumpkin volcanoes,

and measured and weighed our pumpkins. We also broke the students into groups to complete the experiment to see how many rocks it took to sink their pumpkin boats.

Halloween was celebrated all month. We had our sensory bin filled with witches' fingers, skeleton and jack-o-lantern erasers, and many other scary Halloween finds. We made green witches to decorate our door and read many fun Halloween books.



Frozen witches' hands held toys from the sensory bin and the children worked hard using tools to free the toys. We conducted a spooky expanding ghost experiment that we did using a balloon, empty water bottle, baking soda, and vinegar. The children were amazed when they

saw the ghost balloon blow-up and then fly through the room. We also decorated bags for Trunk or Treat which was a huge success for the Starfish students. We ended the month discussing Community Helpers. We learned about how important these helpers are to our community, and read books and played center games related to their contributions to our community.

Teacher Terry, Teacher Beth and I are amazed at the growth of our Starfish and can't wait to see what November brings.

## Ms. JoJo & Ms. Patsy

I cannot even believe that October is over already! Where does the time go? We have already seen such progress with our amazing Sea Turtles! I am so proud of them! In addition to the letter "Aa" and the number "1", we worked with the letters "Ff" and "Hh" and the numbers "2" and "3". Also, we



reviewed the color red as well as circles. We used different colored and sized circles and paper plates to reinforce circles, colors, and the sizes smaller and larger. We added the colors black and orange

and the square shape to our learning environment. Our favorite books this month were Spookley, the SQUARE Pumpkin, Duck and Goose Find a Pumpkin, and I Like Pumpkins. The students enjoyed making their very own square Spookley pumpkins! They also painted paper pumpkins which were displayed on our door for the month of October. Finally, we decorated trees with



colored leaves to represent "F is for Fall". We used Fruit Loops to reinforce the shape and sound of "Ff" and Honey Nut Cheerios to reinforce the letter "Hh" and its sound. We were definitely in the groove this month as we learned and sang several songs! These were our favorite songs: "How Many Leaves?", "Orange,

Yellow, Red, and Brown", "The Autumn Song", and "Five Little Pumpkins". The Fall Festival was a blast, and all of the students were filled with excitement! Thank you for all of your continued support! We have such an amazing group of students and parents! 😊



## Music with Ms. Dana

In October, the children continued learning to keep a steady beat while reciting nursery rhymes and listening to pieces of music. We also learned some Halloween theme finger plays: "Five Little Pumpkins" and "Eensy Weensy Spider"; as well as a Halloween song: "My Mama Says There Are No Witches". Other songs we sang this month were "This Old Man", "Hands and Feet Song", and "Clapping Song". Part of every class includes movement. This month we danced to "This Or That" by Koo Koo Kangaro. This is a great You Tube (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bOk2AmA-JhU>) to help the kids get their wiggles out on those days when the weather is uncooperative. We also pretended to be animals while singing "Two by Two", a song about Noah's Ark. Copy-Cat games are helpful for learning isolated movement of body parts and concentration. "Follow Me" and "Circle Travel" are two examples of copy-cat games we played this month in class. For both games, everyone sits together in a circle and copies the leader's movements. Another game the children enjoyed is "Stop and Go". The tempo changes frequently during this game from largo (very slow) to andante (walking pace) to allegro (fast) to presto (very fast). We are seeing increasing levels of mastery across the board among the classes.

### "The Animals Went In Two-By-Two"

(See: <https://www.bethsnotesplus.com/2013/11/animals-went-in-two-by-two.html> for music)

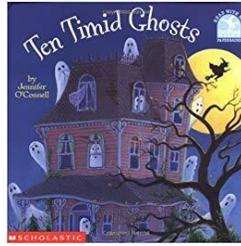
1. The animals went in two by two, Hurrah! Hurrah!  
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The animals went in two by two,  
the elephant and the kangaroo,  
and they all went into the ark for to get out of the rain, rain.
2. The animals went in three by three...the wasp, the ant and the bumble bee...
3. The animals went in four by four...the great hippopotamus stuck in the door...
4. The animals went in five by five...by hugging each other they kept alive...
5. The animals went in six by six...they left out the monkey because of his tricks...
6. The animals went in seven by seven...the little pig thought he was going to heaven...
7. The animals went in eight by eight...the turtle thought he was coming late...
8. The animals went in nine by nine...marching up in a long straight line...
9. The animals went in ten by ten...the last one in was the little red hen...





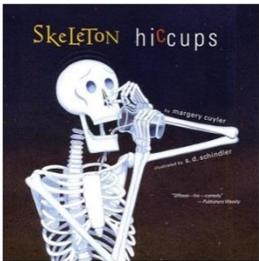
## Library with Ms. Sandra

Library was all about Halloween this month. We started with, Ten Timid Ghosts, by Jennifer O'Connell. Ten ghosts were living happily in their house until a witch moved in and wanted them out. She disguises herself as rat, a monster, a vampire, and many more costumes to get the ghosts out of their house. The ghosts finally decide they are going to get their house back from the witch and give her the scare of her life! This is a fun counting Halloween book.



The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything, by Linda D. Williams is a great book to read this time of year. There is a little bit of fright in the book because the little old lady is followed by shoes, pants, a shirt, a pair of gloves, a black hat, and a huge pumpkin head. We find out that they end up being a scarecrow in the little old lady's garden to scare away the crows.

Room on the Broom, by Julia Donaldson is a good book to read to teach the Golden Rule during Halloween. Witch helps out a bird, dog, and frog, and in return they save her from a fire-breathing dragon. The children laughed when I read,



Skeleton Hiccups, by Margery Cuyler. Skeleton gets the hiccups and they are ruining his life. He can't take a shower, polish his bones, or carve a pumpkin without having it end badly. His friend Ghost gives him a few ideas of how to cure them. Nothing works, but

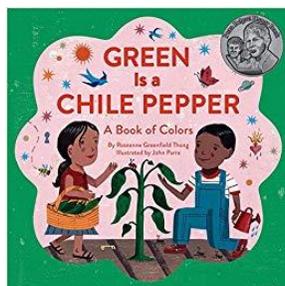
finally Ghost comes up with the best plan of all and Skeleton is cured of his hiccups.

We sang, "Over in the Graveyard", by Isabel Valentini and "Dem Bones". A few of the children learned about body parts they didn't know they had. Halloween Bugs, by David A. Carter is a great pop-up book about bugs that you might see on Halloween night. The students saw a ghost, Frankenstein, a vampire, a bat, and many other Halloween costumes when we read, We're Off to See the Witch's House, by Richard Krieb. We are looking forward to reading books about Thanksgiving during the month of November. Happy Reading!



## Espanol with Maestra Kate

We've gotten off to a great start this year in Spanish! Our focus in these first two months has been--as it always is--*colores* and *números* (colors and numbers) and we'll review them often and in many different ways throughout the year. We've read books like Ana Cultiva Manzanas (Ana Grows Apples) and Green is a Chile



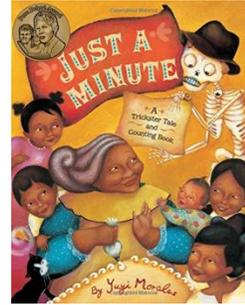
Pepper that illustrate the many colorful parts of life in Mexico. We read two bilingual books by the same illustrator/author team, Marisa Montes and Yuyi Morales: one called Just a Minute that helped us practice counting all sorts of Halloween creatures and another called Los Gatos Black on Halloween.

Every week, we reinforce Spanish vocabulary by playing games. My amigos love playing a game I call 'Esquinas' (corners) which is somewhat similar to musical chairs but involves walking on the outside of an *octágono* colors or

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numbers in each corner. I play fun mariachi music and the music stops, my amigos who are to the corner with a randomly chosen color number in it get to come and have a dance

party! My older amigos have played with Uno cards to help us with Spanish number and color recognition. We begin each Spanish lesson with our 'Buenos Dias' song, followed by our 'Colores' song and we always end with the perennial favorite 'Adiós, Amigos' song. Ask your children to sing these songs for you and please let me know if you ever need help deciphering song lyrics. Being able to teach their families a Spanish song is an empowering experience for preschoolers and I love hearing success stories!

### Palabras del mes (words of the month)

- rojo (roh-ho) red
- verde (ber-deh) green
- azul (ah-sool) blue
- amarillo (ah-mah-ree-yo) yellow
- rosado (roh-sah-doh) pink



## Happy Thanksgiving to All!

## For the Fridge...

Date	Kids' Version	Event	Notes
November 6 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday		<b>Election Day</b>	ASDS CLOSED TO STUDENTS All Saints' Church is a polling place.
November 10 <sup>th</sup> Saturday		<b>All Saints' Annual Holiday Mart</b>	8:00 – 2:00 Food Holiday décor, Crafts, 50/50 raffle and more!
November 12 <sup>th</sup> Monday		<b>Veterans' Day</b>	ASDS CLOSED TO STUDENTS Veterans' Day Celebrated
November 16 <sup>th</sup> Friday		<b>Family Feast</b>	Join us for our Annual ASDS Family Feast!
November 21 <sup>st</sup> - 23 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday - Friday		<b>Thanksgiving</b>	Thanksgiving Holiday
November 26 <sup>th</sup> Monday		<b>School Reopens</b>	We've missed you!
December 12 <sup>th</sup> & 13 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday and Thursday		<b>Santa's Secret Shop</b>	Holiday "shopping" during the school day for students to "buy" gifts for their parents.
December 19 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday		<b>Christmas Program</b>	Program @ 11:15 followed by classroom parties and the last day of classes.
December 20 <sup>th</sup> - January 1 <sup>st</sup>		<b>Winter Break</b>	ASDS is CLOSED
December 25 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday		<b>Merry Christmas!</b>	Have a wonderful day with family and Friends!
January 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday		<b>School Reopens</b>	We've missed you!

Hanoch Piven Answers: Steven Hawking, Albert Einstein, Steve Jobs, Jay Leno, Barbra Streisand