

## October Monthly Update, 2011

Dear Parents,

We have had a very smooth start to the school year even though there have been asphalt bumps in the road. The afternoon sessions are going well and students now know how to transition from their morning classes to Café and Play. We are looking forward to another year of wonderful classroom experiences, new friendships, and safety in every Deerstream experience. Thank you for partnering with us.

Fondly,  
Amy Chauncey

### OCTOBER REMINDERS:

**Crocs: Funky shoes, easy to slip-on as you race out the door to get to Deerstream BUT, a problem on the playground.** Please encourage your children to wear tennis shoes because loose fitting and open shoes are hard to run in and collect dirt and mulch that create a mess in the classroom. Thanks!

**Monday, Oct. 3, 12:15-1:15, Informal Monthly Picnic:** Please pack a family lunch, pick up your children in the pick-up line, park, and join other families on the playground.

**Wednesday, Oct. 12, The following classes will have their individual and class pictures taken by Deerstream parent and professional photographer, Christine Prisk: Mrs. Wilder, Mrs. Jeter, Mrs. Francis, and Mrs. Monnig.**

**Wednesday, Oct. 19, Class pictures for Mrs. Hinkson, Ms. Chatrisa, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Mayes, Ms. Hanna, and Mrs. Metzger.**

Students are not required to wear traditional Deerstream dress, but should keep in mind the intentions of the dress code as stated in the Student Handbook, "modesty, fit, and comfort are key guidelines." **Please no over-sized shirts, pants, writing on clothing, blue jeans, sweat shirts, spaghetti straps, or party clothes.** Family members not attending DS and homeschoolers outside the Deerstream community are welcomed and should come around 9:15.

**Monday, Oct. 17 through Friday, Oct. 21.** Teachers will be calling parents to hear how the year is going. If teachers are not able to reach you and leave a message please either return their call or send an email letting them know when is a good time to call.

**Deerstream Directory:** The DS directory will be emailed this week. If you have changes in your contact information please email Kris at [kzyczkiewicz@yahoo.com](mailto:kzyczkiewicz@yahoo.com) ASAP.

**Harris Teeter donations:** Please ask the cashier at Harris Teeter to link your VIC card to Deerstream Learning Center. Our number is 5025. We will receive a small percentage of the total amount spent on Harris Teeter brand items.

The exterior downstairs doors will be locked between 9:30 and 11:30. If you are dropping off a child after 9:30, please be sure they enter the building safely. If you are picking up a student early, park near the upstairs "OFFICE" entrance and enter that door. The Bible Church is trying a few gentle security procedures and will keep us posted if they tweak them again.