

# ACCOTINK

## ACADEMY



October 2022

## NEWSLETTER

Excellence in Education







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# LETTER FROM OUR STAFF

*Hello* Accotink Families! A month of school is now behind us and we are so happy to see our school year taking shape. Your children are the magic that makes this school what it is and we are honored to spend our days helping their little minds stretch and grow.

October brings crisp air, shorter days and a full calendar for Accotink Academy. Between the Fall Festival and Halloween Parade there will be many opportunities for you to step into the classroom and see how hard at work (*and play*) your children are at!

We hope these new monthly newsletters will better connect, inspire and inform this beautiful community we have together.

Happy Fall!

The Accotink Staff



“Preschool children are virtuosos of imagination.”

-Benjamin Spock





# CALENDAR NEWS

Dates to Remember

## October 5th

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FCPS Student Holiday - No School For Students or Staff

## October 10th

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Indigenous People Day - No School For Students or Staff

## October 13th

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Fall Festival - Ms. Berry, Ms. Ortiz, Ms. McNulty and Ms. Ali's Classes

## October 14th

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Fall Festival - Ms. Altman, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Sestak and Ms. Winston's Classes

## October 24th

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FCPS Student Holiday - No School For Students or Staff

## October 26th

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Halloween Parade - Ms. Altman, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Sestak and Ms. Winston's Classes

## October 27th

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Halloween Parade - Ms. Berry, Ms. Ortiz, Ms. McNulty, Ms. Ali's Classes

## October 28th

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No School For Students

## October 31st

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FCPS Student Holiday - No School For Students or Staff



ACCOTINK ACADEMY'S

# BIG

# HALLOWEEN

# PARADE

Are

# ALL

Welcome!

12:15  
PM



THE PARADE WILL TAKE PLACE  
IN THE PARKING LOT AT THE  
BACK OF THE SCHOOL.

OCT. 26TH

MS. ALTMAN,  
MS. JOHNSON, MS. SESTAK  
& MS. WINSTON

OCT. 27TH

MS. BERRY, MS. ORTIZ,  
MS. MCNULTY  
& MS. ALI

BRING YOUR CAMERAS!

MORE INFO TO COME!

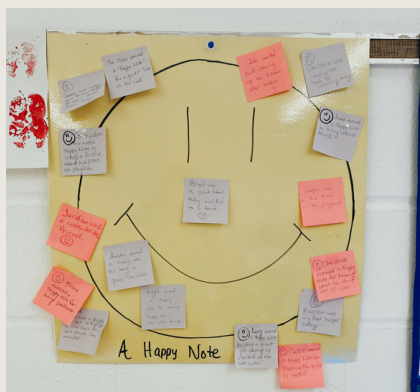






# MEET THE STAFF

5-DAY PRESCHOOL



## CLASSROOM #103

### MS. WINSTON

Lead Teacher

Ms. Winston has been teaching at Accotink Academy for 20 years! Originally from Alexandria Virginia, she and her husband Marvin have raised two wonderful children. Her favorite part of teaching is seeing a child "figure" out an idea, when the lightbulb goes on. Favorite quote? "You can't have a rainbow without the storm."

### MS. PARLOW

Assistant Teacher

Ms. Parslow is in her 9th year here at Accotink. As a teacher she most enjoys helping students learn to become self-sufficient. Hailing from upstate New York, she and her husband are raising two teenage daughters! Favorite quote? "To thineself, always be true."





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*We are in the process of freshening up our social media.  
Pop over to see what we have been up to!*

## Three Tips For A Successful Halloween Parade

- 1 Label ALL costume items with your child's name.
- 2 Make sure footwear is functional.
- 3 Bring a costume that can easily slip over your child's clothing.



## Please Remember Jackets

Our playground time is starting to get chilly. Please make sure your child has a jacket so our playtime can be full of leaf crunching and exploring!

FALL HAS ARRIVED!



# FROM THE LUNCHBOX

**MAKE LUNCH A  
LITTLE MORE FUN  
WITH THESE  
SPOOKY TREATS!**

## **BANANA GHOSTS**

Half a banana and three chocolate chips create quick and tasty ghosts to add to a lunchbox!

## **CITRUS PUMPKINS**

Take a trip to the pumpkin patch this month by adding a celery or cucumber "stem" to a peeled clementine!





# LOCAL FINDS

## LIVE LINKS

Tap an event to get all the details!

### Burke Nursery/Fall Farm Market & Pumpkin Patch

Oct. 1-31

Pony Rides on Saturdays and Sundays.

### City of Fairfax Fall Festival

Oct. 8

Vendors, food, music and entertainment for all ages. Located in Old Town Fairfax.

### International City Food Festival in D.C.

Oct. 13-15

Three days of delicious food celebrations.  
Tickets required.

### Fall Harvest Festival at Mount Vernon

Oct. 22-23

Explore the farm, meet George Washington, see harvest demonstrations and more.

