

# Bloomcast

Keeping you up to date with what's happening in the classroom.



## Bloom Closed Friday, October 20th

Bloom will be closed Friday, October 20th for an annual staff training day. The staff will be onsite to complete annual training on health and safety along with curriculum development and team building.

## Trunk or Treat

Messiah is hosting a Trunk-or-Treat event in the parking lot on Sunday, October 29th between their church services. Bloom will have a trunk or treat station in the parking lot. We hope you and your family can join us for a morning of community fun. We will put out more information on the parent desk as we receive it from the church.

## Halloween Parade

Join us for a center wide Costume Parade on Tuesday, October 31st at 4:00 in the sanctuary of the church. All classrooms will be participating in the parade. Please bring your child's costume to school that day and we will get them ready for the parade. All are invited to watch the parade and enjoy a few trick or treat stations in Heritage Hall before the start of your evenings festivities. We look forward to the time together with all of the families.

## Change in Weather

All groups strive to go outdoors twice a day. Please make sure that your child has warm clothes in their cubby. It is never too early for hats and mittens. Remember to label all clothing items in your child's cubby. Feel free to stop in the office if you have any barriers finding cold weather gear. We have a large variety!

## Thank You & Goodbye

We are thankful for the amazing and dedicated staff that we have to build bonds and relationships with the kiddos each day. We know that the quality of Bloom is in our amazing staff. We are thankful for Ms. Ashley joining our infant team, and sad to see Mrs. Jodi leave. We are so grateful for the genuine, caring, fun & creative ideas that Jodi brought to the team each day. We wish you a wonderful retirement, and hope you stop by often!

A note from Mrs. Jodi; quick good bye and thank you.

I would like to take a moment and thank all the families I was able to interact with during my time at Bloom. I have had a blast watching your children grow. Thank you for trusting me with your most precious gifts.

Jodi (infant room)

## Illness Policy Reminders

Bloom is a community care setting. We have health and safety policies in place for cleaning, sanitizing, and health exclusions that are required by the state of Minnesota. All parents, please communicate to the office as soon as you know if your child is diagnosed with a communicable illness. These illnesses are reported on our parent board located at the parent desk. We will report the number of cases, the classroom, and the date confirmed on the illness fact sheet. These fact sheets will give you symptoms to look for in your child and exclusion guidance. The office staff can also help you through questions around symptoms and exclusions when you call or email.

Your child may not receive an over the counter medication before attending Bloom. If your child is not able to participate in classroom routines without the aide of medication, they are not well enough to attend. Fevers require 24 hours of being fever free without the use of fever reducing medication before returning to Bloom.

Please remember that hand washing helps to stop the spread of germs. Handwashing is a part of each child's morning drop off routine as they transition into the classroom. We welcome you to stop in our bathrooms during pick up time to wash your hands before. Thank you for your great communication as we head into this season, we are happy to talk through scenarios.

## Elizabeth Appleseed

We will have a visit from Nicole at Princess Pals on Friday, October 6th in the morning between 9:00 to 10:30. She will be story telling, singing songs, and playing games focused on the season of fall. This will be provided by donors and the help of a Thrivent financial grant.

## Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries

Our Birthday celebration shoutouts go to Ms. Bree, Mrs. Renuka, and Ms. Nika. Happy Birthday to each of you on your special day! We also celebrate work anniversaries for Ms. Heather (8), Mrs. Mary (15), and Mrs. Missy (19). We are thankful to celebrate the amazing dedication, caring talents, and creativity shared with the children, families, and coworkers.

## Bloom will be closed

October 20th: MEA Staff Training Day  
November 23rd: Thanksgiving Day  
November 24th: Day after Thanksgiving Day  
Christmas Eve through New Year's Day  
(December 25th–January 1st)