

# The Junior Journal

## Dear KidsCo Jr. Rockwell Families,

Happy October! This is my personal favorite month of the year! There is so many fun activities to do and not to mention, its hoodie season! We will kick off our month with a field trip to Butler's Orchard for our Green Room friends which we are so excited for! But don't worry, we have a special on-site pumpkin patch planned for the little ones staying back that same day. Friday October 3rd, we have a quick grab and go back-to-school croissant and coffee event for the parents! During drop-off time, come in, grab a croissant and/or coffee, and check out your child's classroom! This is a great opportunity for you to ask teachers any questions or just take a look around their classrooms! We hope you can make it! Our Halloween party will be here soon, and I cannot wait! You will receive information on what to expect but it will be a "stand-or-treat" event! Be on the look out for more info! I hope you have a spook-tacular October!

With Love,  
Ms. Brenda, Director



## SAVE THE DATE:

October 2nd: Graduating Class field trip to Butlers Orchard  
 October 2nd: On-Site pumpkin patch for purple, orange, and blue rooms  
 October 3rd: Back to school Croissants and Coffee event during drop-off  
 (7:30AM-9:30 AM)  
 October TBA: Firetruck Visit  
 October 15th: Hispanic Heritage month Fiesta Celebration  
 October 31st: Halloween Parade/Stand-or-Treat (more info to come)

## Sneak Peak Into November:

November 3rd: KidsCo Jr CLOSED (Staff In-Service Day)  
 November 17th-21st: Parent-Teacher Conferences  
 November 25th: Thanksgiving Feast  
 November 26th-28th: KidsCo Jr CLOSED (Thanksgiving Holiday)

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## Community Resources

Montgomery County Child  
 Care Support Services:  
 240-777-4769

MCPS Child Find:  
 240-740-2170

Montgomery County  
 Infant/Toddler Program:  
 240-777-3997

Child Link - Early  
 Childhood Mental Health  
 Consultation:  
 240-777-4769

## BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

**Tobias - 5th**  
**Samantha - 5th**  
**Raphael - 12th**  
**Hayden - 20th**  
**Ms. Brenda - 20th**  
**Hudson - 25th**

## Purple Room

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October is here, and we're so excited for our fun and engaging activities for our little ones. This month, we'll be exploring community helpers, fire safety, Hispanic heritage, pumpkins, and of course, Halloween! We're forward to a visit from our local firefighters during Fire Safety Week. We will get to see the fire truck up close and meet real life community helpers who keep us safe every day! We'll also be diving into festive fall fun like carving a pumpkin together as a class and exploring all the colors and textures. We can't wait to share these special moments throughout October!



## Orange Room

**Yeilin Martinez: YMartinez@KidsCoOnline.com**

Happy October, Orange Room Families! 🍊 This month, our themes are Community Helpers, Fire Safety, Hispanic Heritage, Five Senses, and Pumpkins! During Community Helpers week, our friends will get to deliver mail to the school office—just like real postal workers! We are also looking forward to a special visit from firefighters, who will share important lessons about fire safety. As the month continues, we will explore our five senses through hands-on activities, celebrate Hispanic Heritage with games and projects, and enjoy pumpkin-themed learning experiences. To end the month, we are especially excited for our Halloween celebration, and of course, to show off our costumes at our Halloween parade. October is going to be full of learning, laughter, and fun! 🧛❤️



## Green Room

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Happy October Green Rocket Families! We are excited to kick off a new month full of fun and learning! To kick off October, our friends will be learning about fire safety. We have a fun food craft in which our friends are going to use graham crackers and other material to make a yummy firetruck! Up next, we have Spanish heritage! We will have a fiesta party 🎉 in which we will have lots of different activities including trying food from other countries! Following Spanish heritage is Five senses! Our friends will be trying something sweet, sour, salty and bitter! Lastly, we have pumpkins 🍂! Our friends will create a pumpkin using tissue paper, we will also have our fun Halloween party in which we will decorate yummy cookies! I can't wait to share pictures of all the fun crafts and activities we will be doing the month of October!

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## Blue Room

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Happy October to my blueberry family! This will be such a fun filled month with our on-site pumpkin patch and amazing Halloween party! This month we will be learning about community helpers, fire safety, Spanish heritage, five senses, and pumpkins! We will be delivering mail to special people in our modular just like mailmen during community helpers week. We also can't wait for the fire truck to come this year during fire safety week. Next, we will learn how to make tortillas in a fun sensory bin while learning about Spanish Heritage. During five senses, we will be tasting different things and voting which one was the best or the worst! Lastly, we will explore the insides of a real pumpkin! My friends have been growing and learning so much this past month and I am very proud of my friends and I can't wait for them to continue to grow and learn!

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