## **October Menu**

	Breakf	ast		Lunch		3:30 Sna	ick	
Monday, October 2	Blueberry Yogurt I	Parfait &	z Milk	Chicken Spaghetti, Purple Hull Peas, Pears & Milk	Whole	Wheat Crackers	& Sliced	Cheese
Tuesday, October 3	Pancakes, Sa Applesauce			Macaroni & Cheese, Lima Beans, Pineapple & Milk	Van	illa Wafers & Bai	nana Pud	ding
Wednesday, October 4	Rice Crispies, Pea	aches & I	Milk	Ground Turkey Tacos, Black Beans, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Str	awberry Go-Gur	t & Goldf	iish
Thursday, October 5	Waffles, Pineap	ple & Mi	ilk	Brown Gravy Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Pears & Milk		Veggie Straws &	c Craisins	
Friday, October 6	Peach Yogurt Pa	rfait & M	⁄lilk	Turkey & Cheese Sliders, Roasted Potatoes, Banana & Milk	Anin	nal Crackers & P	ink Lemo	onade
Monday, October 9	Blueberry Yogurt I	Parfait &	z Milk	Chicken Divan w/ Broccoli, Pineapple & Milk	Whole	Wheat Crackers	& Sliced	Cheese
Tuesday, October 10	French Toast, Mandarin Oran			Cheese Tortellini, Green Beans, Peaches & Milk	Anima	al Crackers & Cho	ocolate Pı	udding
Wednesday, October 11	Cheerios, Pear	rs & Mill	k	Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Pineapple & Milk	Str	awberry Go-Gur	t & Goldf	ish
Thursday, October 12	Pancakes, Apples	sauce & I	Milk	Chicken & Rice, Purple Hull Peas, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	(	Graham Crackers	s & Raisin	ıs
Friday, October 13	Yogurt, Banar	na & Mill	k	Turkey & Cheese Sliders, Tater Tots, Pears & Milk	Who	le Wheat Cracke	rs & Pepp	eroni
Monday, October 16	Peach Yogurt Pa	rfait & M	⁄lilk	Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Green Beans, Pineapple & Milk	Whole	Wheat Crackers	& Sliced	Cheese
Tuesday, October 17	Waffles, Sa Mandarin Oran		ilk	Pasta Alfredo w/ Broccoli, Pears & Milk	Van	illa Wafers & Ba	nana Pud	ding
Wednesday, October 18	Rice Crispies, Pea	aches & I	Milk	Chicken Fried Rice w/ Peas & Carrots, Pineapple & Milk	Str	awberry Go-Gur	t & Goldf	iish
Thursday, October 19	French Te Applesauce			Chicken & Dumplings, Lima Beans, Mandarin Oranges & Milk		Veggie Straws &	c Craisins	
Friday, October 20	Blueberry Yogurt I	Parfait &	: Milk	Turkey & Cheese Sliders, Sweet Potato Fries, Banana & Milk	Who	le Wheat Cracke	rs & Pepp	eroni
Monday, October 23	Peach Yogurt Pa	rfait & N	Ailk	Spaghetti w/ Meatballs, Green Beans, Pineapple & Milk	Whole	Wheat Crackers	& Sliced	Cheese
Tuesday, October 24	Pancakes, Sa Mandarin Oran		ilk	Vegetable Fried Rice w/ Peas & Carrots, Pears & Milk	Anin	nal Crackers & Va	anilla Puc	dding
Wednesday, October 25	Cheerios, Peach	hes & Mi	ilk	Baked Chopped Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Pineapple & Milk	Str	awberry Go-Gur	t & Goldf	ish
Thursday, October 26	Waffles, Applesa	auce & M	ſilk	Chicken Parmesan Pasta Bake, Purple Hull Peas, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	(	Graham Crackers	s & Raisin	IS
Friday, October 27	Yogurt, Banar	na & Mill	k	Turkey & Cheese Sliders, Roasted Potatoes, Pears & Milk	Who	le Wheat Cracker	rs & Pepp	eroni
Monday, October 30	Blueberry Yogurt I	Parfait &	z Milk	BBQ Chicken w/ Rice, Purple Hull Peas, Pineapple & Milk	Whole	Wheat Crackers	& Sliced	Cheese
Tuesday, October 31	French Toast, Mandarin Oran			Macaroni & Cheese, Lima Beans, Pears & Milk	Vanil	la Wafers & Cho	colate Pu	dding
			*lte	ms in green are vegetarian meals.				

\*Items in green are vegetarian meals.



On Tuesday, October 31st, all centers will celebrate the fall season with a Fall Festival in the morning. Children can wear their costumes to school or bring their costume with them and change into them before the festival begins (nothing scary, please). We are asking that each family please provide one bag of approved individually packaged treats (Goldfish, Veggie Straws, Raisins, etc.) or other age-appropriate trinkets/toys (Tattoos, balls, etc.) for the children in your child's class by Friday, October 20th. During the Fall Festival, the children will enjoy fun games and activities. Be sure to check with your center for the Fall Festival schedule for the day.



\*Check with your center to see what time your child's class is scheduled

\*Please remember no nut products are allowed in the centers.

## Family Pumpkin Carving Contest

Show off your creative side! Decorate a pumpkin with your child and drop it off at your center on

#### Monday, October 30th

#### Voting will take place on Tuesday, October 31st.

One winner from each center will be chosen and announced on Wednesday, November 1st.

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Growing Room will be selling poinsettia's this year for \$12 per plant.

ALL proceeds will go toward adopting a local family for the holidays.

Completed order forms, including checks made payable to Growing Room, are due back to school by Friday, October 27th. Order forms will be going home Monday, October 9th!

The plants will be delivered during the last week of November.

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### **Fall Festival**



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## **Making a Difference Employee for October**

Growing Room Welaunee Ms. Janae Jones Pre-K Para Pro

Ms. Janae joined the Growing Room Welaunee team in June 2023. She brings so much positivity and happiness not only to the children but to the center. Ms. Janae has one of the biggest hearts and we are so lucky to have her working with our children. She always has a smile and brings so much cheer and happiness to her classroom. We appreciate you and everything you do.

> Thank you Ms. Janae for Making a Difference!

Growing Room Bradfordville Ms. Cassidy Dawkins Infant 2 Lead Teacher

Ms. Cassidy became part of the Growing Room Bradfordville family in April 2021. Her smile can light up a room and she can always be found being silly and laughing with all of the children in her classroom.

Ms. Cassidy loves doing art, playing outside and reading books with her babies. She is a team player and is always willing to help out where needed. We are

so thankful and lucky to have her.

Thank you Ms. Cassidy for Making a Difference!

Growing Room Metropolitan Ms. Caitlin Smith K<sub>2</sub>C Lead Teacher

Ms. Caitlin celebrated her 4th anniversary with Growing Room Metropolitan in June 2023. She is always thinking outside of the box and bringing fun new creative learning opportunities to her classroom. Ms. Caitlin brings joy and happiness to everyone she is around. She is always ready for the day and whatever it may bring. We are so grateful to have her as part of our team!

> Thank you Ms. Caitlin for Making a Difference!

## Administrator of the month

Lorin Burgess has been part of the Growing Room team since January 2023. She became a member of our admin team in August 2023. Her experience in the classroom makes her a huge asset to our classrooms and our teachers. She is always ready to jump in and lend a helping hand wherever she is needed. We are so excited to have her as a member of our admin team. Thank you Lorin for all that you do!



## Character Education Topic for October Being Truthful



Your child will learn about being truthful through the use of character education books, character critters, teacher role modeling and positive reinforcement.

#### Your child will learn:

- To always tell the truth and be honest no matter what
  - To do what you say you are going to do
  - To not take things that do not belong to you
- To have the courage to do what is right, even when it is difficult

## **Helpful Parent Reminders**

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October 5	•••••		Go	Pink f	or Bre	ast Ca	ncer	Awar	eness	- Eve	ryone	Wear	r Pink
October 6	•••••			•••••		•••••		Come	to Sch	lool W	/earin	ig You	r PJ's
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#### ALL OF OUR FAMILIES WHO CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER, WE WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY DAY!

#### We invite you to join Growing Room as we GO PINK for **Breast Cancer Awareness.**

Monday, October 2nd we will kick off our week long fundraising event to raise money and awareness for breast cancer by wearing PINK. All proceeds from the change drive will go directly back to the Joanna Francis Living Well Foundation. The class that raises the most money from October 2nd-October 6th will win a popsicle party during the week of October 9th.

> On Friday, October 6th we will conclude our fundraising efforts with a PJ Day! We will wear pajamas and enjoy cookies and pink lemonade!

## **Growing Room is going PINK** for Breast Cancer Awareness!

Friday, October 6th: Wear PJ's Cookie & Pink Lemonade Party

Week of October 9th: Popsicle Party for the classroom that raises the most money

## October 2nd-6th

Monday, October 2nd: Everyone wears pink

Thursday, October 5th: Everyone wears pink

