

SCOTTY'S NEWS

OCTOBER 2025



DIRECTOR'S KORNER



Happy Fall! We are enjoying breathing in this nice, crisp air while we have it, and getting ready to dive on into all things Fall!

I am so excited to have Fiona Johnson Photography come back and do some Fall portraits for the children this month!

It's that time of year again where we need all children ages 6-59 months to receive their flu shot. It is a mandatory requirement by the State of Connecticut. Please send in our form we provided or a doctor's form stating your child has received it. If you need a new form, please ask myself or Miss Moira for one.

Also, take a look at the column to the right regarding different forms you can find on the 'Parent Korner' page of our website.

Please remember that if your child is going to be absent, to call Scotty's and let us know. Also, please refer to our 'Sick Policy' (see page 2) on when and if you can send your child to Scotty's. We always strive to clean and disinfect everything to mitigate the spread of germs, but it is bound to happen. By keeping your sick little ones at home, we can overcome the germs before they continue to spread even further.

On that note, please bring in a box of tissues! 'Tis the season for runny noses, and we want to make sure your child has a proper supply of tissues at the ready.

Wishing you a beautiful October!

Lillian

FYI Are you about to head to the doctor, but don't have a blank Health Assessment Record? Or is your child needing to have diaper cream applied but you need to fill out a Non-Prescription Topical Form? PDF versions of these and many other forms can be found under the 'Parent Korner' of our website ready to print; www.scottyskiddykorner.com.

- What to Bring on Your Child's First Day
- Early Childhood Health Assessment Record
- Permission for Pickup of Child
- Medication Administration Procedure Checklist
- Authorization for Administration of Medication
- Authorization for Administration of Non-Prescription Topical Medications
- Authorization for Administration of Non-Prescription Outdoor Protectant Lotions and Sprays

Here you will also find PDF's of the Monthly Newsletter, Calendars & Events.

Just for Fun

Q: Why didn't the skeleton cross the road?

A: He didn't have the guts!



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October Highlights

OCTOBER is a month full of fire safety, fall and fun! Here is what we have in store for your child this month.

Week 1 we learn about the importance of **Fire Safety** and what we can do to prevent fires. Making a Fire Art and learning how to Stop, Drop and Roll are on the calendar this week. We will also be spending time walking around Scotty's counting the different fire safety devices we have. As always, we will have a visit from the Ellington Volunteer Fire Department; always a favorite visit!

Week 2 we roll on into learning about **Transportation**. This week we venture to learn about different modes of transportation, while being sure to include lots of fun math and social lessons.

Week 3 we change over to **Fall** and learn about not only the beauty of the Season, but also the science behind why leaves change colors. Creating Leaf Prints and Fall Trees are ways we can incorporate fun into learning, while keeping the children enthralled. Our Pre-K class will also be going on a Field Trip to the Pumpkin Patch!

Week 4 we enter (if we dare) into the wonderful world of **Halloween**. Spiders, bats and ghosts are just some of the ghouls we will encounter in our spooky travels. We also have our **COSTUME PARADE & Monster Mash HALLOWEEN PARTY!** Be sure to look out for Party signups! Also, please let your child's teacher know of any dietary restrictions.

Wow! What a busy, fun and educational month we have ahead!



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2025 HOLIDAY & VACATION CALENDAR



Thanksgiving - Nov 27-28

Scotty's is closed on
Thu, Nov 27th & Fri, Nov 28th
in observance of Thanksgiving
Full tuition is due
the week of Nov 24

Christmas Observance - Dec 25-26

Scotty's will be closed
Thu, Dec 25th & Fri, Dec 26th
In observance of Christmas
Full tuition is due the week of Dec 22

Christmas Observance - Dec 24th

Scotty's will have a half day and
close at 1:00pm on
Wednesday, December 24th
In observance of Christmas
Full tuition is due the week of Dec 22

Winter Vacation Shutdown

Scotty's will be closed the week of
December 29th thru January 2nd
for our
Winter Vacation Shutdown
No tuition is due
the week of December 29



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Health & Wellness

THE ARRIVAL OF FALL means the hottest days have passed and the weather will start to cool. It is important to continue to provide weather appropriate clothing for your child's outdoor play.



Each child should bring a sweater or light jacket for the cooler days of fall and should come with sneakers.

Children will not be permitted to participate in outdoor play unless they have sneakers.

ANNUAL FLU SHOT: Connecticut State Regulations require that all children ages 6 to 59 months attending a preschool and/or day care facility receive an annual influenza vaccine. This month, we will be passing out second notice forms to all families with children in this age group to have their child's doctor sign and date when this year's flu shot is given.



THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Department of Public Health requires that all children who attend day care be immunized. This includes their annual flu shot. CT State Day Care Licensing Regulations mandate that a current health assessment record be in your child's day care file.



This means that a new **Early Childhood Health Assessment Record** form must be filled out and turned in to us each time your child visits the doctor for his/her wellness visits/physicals. It is required that the Parents fill out and sign Part I on page 1 of the form prior to visiting the doctor.

The doctor must fill out and sign Part II on pages 2 and 3.

Please be sure to review the form before leaving the doctor's office to be sure that they have completed the form, especially that they have:

- filled in the date of the exam - pg 2
- filled in the Medical Evaluation section - pg 2
- filled in the TB Risk section - pg 2
- filled in the Developmental Assessment section - pg 2
- filled in the Immunizations section - pg 2
- signed the form - pg 2
- filled out and initialed the Immunization Record - pg 3

(note that a printout of the doctor's Immunization record form is acceptable in place of page 3)

No incomplete forms can be accepted.

The forms are available for you here at Scotty's, or on our website (www.scottyskiddykornet.com) under the 'Parent Korner' tab. We are happy to show you what information is required on the form.

STAFF Spotlight



Miss Niurka
Assistant Teacher

Bringing back our Staff Spotlight this month to shine it on Miss Niurka! Miss Niurka has worked at Scotty's since January 2025. Originally from the Dominican Republic, Niurka moved to Texas in 2015, and then to Connecticut in 2018. When not at Scotty's Miss Niurka loves to work out, dance, go hiking and watch Korean TV shows!

Did you know that our Housekeeper, Miss Emelis, is Miss Niurka's mom?! How fun! Niurka also has 2 sisters and 1 brother who all live in the Dominican Republic.

When asked what her favorite part of Scotty's is, Miss Niurka responded, "my babies!"

We are so lucky to have someone so friendly and loving work here every day.

Just for Fun

Q: Why don't mummies take vacations?

A: Because they can't unwind!

WELCOME

We offer a warm welcome to the newest additions to Scotty's family.

Franklin Bloomfield
Humberto Coelho-Pfizer
Delilah McLaughlin



POLICIES & PROCEDURES REVIEW

→ SICK POLICY ←

As stated in the Enrollment Agreement signed by the parents/guardians prior to their child's first day, any child that has any of the following symptoms - vomiting, diarrhea, fever of 101 degrees or above and/or conjunctivitis (pink eye) CANNOT be admitted to the center and if these symptoms develop while at the center, the child MUST be excluded from the center and MUST be picked up from Scotty's right away. NOTE: If teething is the cause of the high fever, parents can contact their pediatrician for an okay to have the child return to the center the next day. The child MAY NOT return to the center until they are symptom free for 24-hours (without the aid of medication) or if using medication, must have a written doctor's note stating that the child can return. If a child becomes ill while at SKKP&DC, the Staff will notify the parent/guardian so that they can come to pick up the child. If the parents/guardians cannot be reached, the designated emergency contacts will be notified and requested to pick up the ill child. The State of Connecticut also requires us to document when children get sick while in our care. We are required to fill out an ILLNESS REPORT, to have the child's parent/guardian sign it and to keep it at Scotty's on file. A copy is to be given to the child's parents/guardians.

This & That

ALLERGY ALERT!

Please refrain from sending any foods with peanuts or other nuts in them. We have severe allergies throughout the center. This includes Nutella. Thank you!

EXTRA CLOTHING FOR EMERGENCIES

With the change of seasons, it is time to make sure that there are 2-complete sets of extra clothes for emergency changes in your child's cubby and that they are seasonally appropriate.

DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION OR CONCERN?

From time to time you may have a question on how things happen here at Scotty's.

From policies, procedures, curriculum, daily activities to other happenings, we are here to answer your questions.

You can talk with us at anytime and we will happily address your questions or concerns. Simply let us know what you would like to know and we will provide you with answers.