



Episcopal Church of the
**ASCENSION
DAY SCHOOL**

Love. Laugh. Learn.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- October 1 - ADS Prospective Family Tour @10:30 a.m.
- October 5 - Ascension's Blessing of the Pets @5:00 p.m.
- October 6 - Fall Spirit Night at Hat Creek from 5:00-9:00**
- October 7 - Family Chapel 10:30 a.m. & Celebrating Sept/Oct birthdays (more info below)
- October 7 - November Tuition Due
- October 8 - Spirit/Pizza Day
- October 13 - RISD State Fair Student/Staff Holiday
- October 16 - Spirit/Pizza Day
- October 22 - ADS Prospective Family Tour @10:30 a.m.
- October 22 & 23 - Picture Day! See below for more info.
- October 23 - Early Release @12:30 p.m.
- October 26 - Trunk or Treat 4-6 p.m. (see pg 2)
- October 29 & 30 - Halloween Parties
- October 30 - Costume Parade @ 9:15 a.m.
- November 5 & 6 - Speech Screenings (see pg 5)



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- ADS is a Member of Southwestern Association of Episcopal Schools with SAES Accreditation in process
- 75% of our staff has either a bachelor's degree or master's degree
- We have 18 new families at ADS this year!

OCTOBER THEMES

- Sept 29 - Oct 2 - On the Farm
- October - 6-9 - State Fair of Texas
- October - 13-16 - Seed to Apple
- October - 20-23 - Pumpkinology
- October - 27-30 - Spooky Science

**YOU'RE INVITED TO AN
ASCENSION DAY SCHOOL
Spirit Night!**

**10/6, 5PM - 9PM
WALNUT HILL
HAT CREEK**

25% of sales will be donated!

We're hosting a Spirit Night at Hat Creek Walnut Hill to raise money for **Ascension Day School**.

Swing by with the family, grab a bite and a beverage, and Hat Creek will donate 25% of sales when you let the cashier know you're there for spirit night.

Bring friends, family and school-mates! The bigger the turnout, the bigger the donation!

HAT CREEK
BURGER COMPANY



Due to the reduced food options from Sharing Life, our food pantry has seen an increased in demand for tuna and peanut butter. At this time, we also purchase extra food for Holiday Meals. We feed over 200 families each month. We need your donation! Here's what we need:

- Jars of Peanut Butter
- Cans of Tuna

We will have a box at the school entrance for donations!

**DID
YOU
KNOW?**

CHAPEL IN THE NAVE

Chapel will generally be held on Tuesdays in the Nave at 10:30 a.m. Our first month of chapel has gone super well with Father Oliver, Ms. Kathy and Ms. Nancy. We continue our pattern of worship which includes songs, bible stories and prayer. If your child attends school on M/W, you are always welcome to join us! Families are welcome to join us any Tuesday for Chapel, but we do a monthly Family Chapel where we sing Happy Birthday to the students celebrating that month.

Our first family chapel will be October 7th at 10:30 a.m. We will sing to September and October birthdays on this date.

HALLOWEEN PARADE: OCT. 30TH @ 9:15AM

We will hold our Halloween Parade in the courtyard (weather permitting) and parents are invited. Costumes are welcome, but please have regular clothing underneath. After the parade, children will take their costumes off and put them in their backpack or you can take them home. If your child's costume includes accessories, we ask that you take these home after the parade. Costumes are not required. Kids can wear festive colors like orange and black or a fun Halloween shirt! MW students - please arrive at 9 to join us!

GROWING TALKERS SPEECH SCREENINGS

Jennifer Allen with Growing Talkers will be back to do screeners for Speech Evaluations in Nov. Research indicates that by identifying children with language disorders early the better their language outcomes will be so that they can better communicate needs and wants. Intervention can lessen communicative frustrations between peers and adults and can give children the tools necessary to navigate academic and social demands. Current data suggests that approximately 10% of children in every academic population has a need for speech and language services. Reach out to adsadmin@ascensiondallas.org if you'd like to sign up!

ENROLLMENT PROJECTION CARDS

If you have a child at home this school year that did not make our age cutoff and you would like to enroll him/her for the 2026-2027 school year, please reach out to us to request an orange enrollment projection card. Submitting this does not guarantee enrollment or determine placement, but gives us an idea of how many ADS siblings will need a spot.

THANK YOU, ROOM MOMS!

We are so grateful to those of you who have volunteered to be Room Moms this year. Room Moms are instrumental in celebrating our teachers, planning parties and keeping our families connected.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

10/13 Ms. Besrat
10/24 Max M.
10/26 Truett H.
10/28 Vivian W.
10/29 Ms. Caroline



BIRTHDAY PARTIES AT ADS

If you would like to reserve the ADS playground for a birthday party, please email adsadmin@ascensiondallas.org. We accept a small donation for the use of either the large or small playground.



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- Dismissal is from 1:50-2:00 p.m. Late fees begin at 2:02 p.m. \$2/min fees will be billed through brightwheel.
- We can sometimes accommodate drop-ins for Early Risers. If you ever need your child to drop-in, please email adsadmin@ascensiondallas.org. The drop-in rate is \$10.
- Please slow down and stay off of your cell phones in the parking lot to keep everyone safe
- Sign IN and OUT on the classroom clipboard each day
- If your child is celebrating a birthday, please see the Parent Handbook for our policy on how we can celebrate your child's special day
- Please only send your child in shoes with laces if they can independently tie them



Reminder:
Please label everything
with your child's name:

water bottle, shoes, jacket, lunchbox,
backpack, etc.





Dear Parents,

When you see us playing in our room or outside - this is actually what we are learning...

In the Blocks Center we learn...

About size, shapes, colors, problem solving and how the world works. All important for math and science.

In the Manipulative Center we learn...

About sequencing, classifying, matching, and fine motor skills. All important steps to learning reading and writing.

In the Library Center we learn...

How to enjoy books, turn pages, “read” pictures and recognize text. All important for reading.

In the Art Center we learn...

About creating, imagination and building our self confidence.

In the Writing Center we learn...

Fine motor development, following directions and finishing a task. All important for math, reading and of course, writing.

In the Creative Play Center we learn...

How to play with others, communication skills, sharing, patience and waiting our turn. All important skills for helping us grow and get ready for school.

Playing is the best way for your child to learn. The more a child plays, the better prepared they will be when they get to elementary school.





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CLASSROOM TIP

A child's brain needs 400 repetitions to form a new connection. Unless they are playing. Then it only takes 10-20 repetitions. Play isn't a break from learning. It's the most powerful teaching tool we have.



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