

## Up and Running!

Dear CHUM Families,

Our first month of distance learning has come to an end! Thank you for your patience, understanding, and flexibility while we have made changes to improve our distance learning program. I hope your children are enjoying the learning kits, online lessons, and face-to-face meetings as much as my son. We will be sending out a survey this month to gather your feedback about the program. If you have any suggestions or concerns about our program before then, please reach out to myself, Mrs. Molitor or a board member. We want to make this a positive learning experience for all of our students.

Thanks,  
Bethany Stevenson  
CHUM President  
2020-2021



# CHUM News



## October 2020

### Tuition is Due!

Just a friendly reminder that the next tuition payment is due **October 1st**. Tuition is \$90. If you have siblings participating in the program, it is an additional \$5 per sibling. **Please make your check payable to CHUM Preschool. And please write your child's name and class in the memo line.** You may turn in your checks to Bethany Stevenson or mail them to our treasurer:

Josh Dinkelmeyer  
9607 Oakview Dr.  
Portage, MI 49024

Thank you!

### Calendar

Please look at our calendar each week for events, activities, and due dates.

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/2?cid=NDRINTNlcjg4bWl2Y2gybzJ1Y2luZjZ2xlLmNvbQ>

### Thank You for the Help!

Thank you Kyleigh Wegener for disinfecting kits! We appreciate your help! Also, thank you Kyleigh for arranging our class photos with your dad! We can't wait to see them!

### Restaurant Fundraisers

Please join us for our monthly restaurant fundraisers. This is a great way to raise money for CHUM and a nice way to grab an easy meal with no clean up! Be sure to invite friends and family too!

**October 6<sup>th</sup>-Jersey Giants on Oakland from 4-8pm.** A percentage of dine in or carry out sales will be donated to CHUM.



Mention the fundraiser when you purchase your food so CHUM will get credit for the sale.

### Who's Who

The "Who's Who" Directory is a fun way to share and learn a little more about our CHUM students. If you would like to participate, we ask each family to fill out the form and email it back to Kyleigh Wegener at: [kyleighwegener@gmail.com](mailto:kyleighwegener@gmail.com) by **Friday, Oct. 9th**. The forms will be compiled and emailed to all of our families in October.

### Reminders about Kits

- Please let Mrs. Molitor know if any items were not included in your kits.
- Please let Mrs. Molitor know if you are aware of any pieces are lost or damaged when you return your kits.
- If you find pieces from previous kits, please turn them in when you return your kits.
- Any items that are starred on your listed items for each kit are for you to keep!

Thank you to everyone for returning the kits on time, taking such good care of all the items in the kits, and for all your communication with any issues. This has been incredibly helpful and has made this distance learning program run smoothly. Thank you!!!

### Facebook

Please like us on Facebook (CHUM Co-Op Preschool) and share our posts. This helps us spread the word about our school!



## Scrip

Earn money for yourself and for CHUM!!! Scrip gift cards are an easy way to earn money for CHUM and yourself for purchasing items you normally buy. You can purchase physical or electronic gift cards from many vendors such as Meijer, Starbucks, Shutterfly, Old Navy, and more! The vendors offer various rebate percentages. If you purchase a \$100 gift card that has a 10% rebate then \$5 will be paid to you at the end of the year and \$5 will be donated to CHUM. When you sign up you will either link a bank account or a credit card to purchase your gift cards. The bank account is more economical since a \$.15 fee is charged as opposed to a 2.6% charge with a credit card. It takes a few days for the registration process to complete. You can download the app "Raise Right" from the apple store or google play, register, and order from there, or you can use the website; shopwithscrip.com.

### Steps to Enroll online:

- Go to [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) or download the "Raise Right" app
- Click on Register
- Select Join a Scrip Program
- Enter the enrollment code 8949569746917
- Follow enrollment instructions from there

They will make two deposits into your account within two business days that you will need to verify on their website to be able to order and pay online. please contact Megan Aubry at [hazel.aubry15@gmail.com](mailto:hazel.aubry15@gmail.com) with questions about the program or GLSC at (800) 727-4715, option 3 regarding account set up.

## Board Meetings

CHUM board meetings will be **October 6<sup>th</sup>** and **November 10<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm. We will either meet at my house outside or on Zoom, depending on the weather. All parents are invited to attend. If you have any questions, ideas, or suggestions please feel free to contact me or any board member. Your input is very much needed and appreciated. We count on you to help CHUM grow and improve.

## Amazon Wish List

Thank you so much for your donations! If you haven't already or are able to purchase more supplies for learning kits, we would appreciate it! You can also buy items from stores other than Amazon if you find a better price.



[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/fRXTgLG?ref=\\_w\\_l\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/fRXTgLG?ref=_w_l_share)

## CHUM 50 for 50:

Read 50 books to celebrate 50 years of CHUM!

When:

- October 1<sup>st</sup> -December 18<sup>th</sup>

What:

- Challenge CHUM Students to read 50 books
  - Either read and share on social media or post a picture of a book read on social media.
  - Ask friends and family to pledge either a flat rate or per book amount.
  - Tag friends and family and ask them to share their favorite children's books or help other CHUMmers reach their goal by posting a video of themselves reading a favorite book to CHUM's Facebook page.
  - To show our appreciation, those that read a story and post it to CHUM's Facebook page will receive a CHUM decal as a thank you for supporting our students.

Why:

- Promote CHUM
- Raise funds to continue services for next 50 years
- Celebrate 50 year of CHUM helping preschoolers to Play, Learn, and Grow

The CHUM 50 for 50 fundraiser will conclude at the end of the semester on December 18<sup>th</sup>. At this time any remaining pledge forms, 50 book charts, along with checks, will be due to Bethany Stevenson. Pledge forms and a chart to keep track of books read will be sent home in your folders.

Remember, for every \$350 raised you will get \$50 from CHUM.

Each child that reads 50 books will receive a CHUM decal.

## Scholastic Book Order

At CHUM we do Scholastic book orders throughout the year except for September, December, and May. This is a great way to purchase books for your children or gifts for others at great prices. The catalogs will come home in your folders. Orders for this month are **due October 7<sup>th</sup>**. Orders can be placed online. Go to [www.scholastic.com](http://www.scholastic.com) to register or sign in to your account. There are more books available online and often for a better price. **Our Class Code: GJQL8** If you have any questions, please contact Sierra Decker at [demamom184@gmail.com](mailto:demamom184@gmail.com).



## From Mrs. Molitor

Hi CHUM families!

What an exciting start to the school year! I am so thrilled you have chosen CHUM for this preschool adventure! Even though we cannot physically be in school right now, there is still a lot of playing, learning, and growing happening!

Thank you all for the donations for our learning kits! I hope you are enjoying them as much as I did designing them!

We will have some sort of Halloween celebration on Friday, October 30 during our meet-up time if mandates allow. Please stay tuned for more information about our celebration! I look forward to another fun-filled month with you!

-Mrs. Molitor

### This Month, We Focused On:

Social/emotional:

-Getting to know our classmates and their names

Literacy:

-Rolls of author and illustrator  
-Making text to text connections

Math:

-Positional words  
-Color blue

Science:

-Living and nonliving things  
-Animal needs and adaptations

Other:

-Field trip to the farm  
-Calendar and weather

### In October, We Will Focus On:

Social/emotional

-Who is in your family?  
-Forming opinions

Literacy:

-Recognizing first name in print  
-Making predictions in a story

Math:

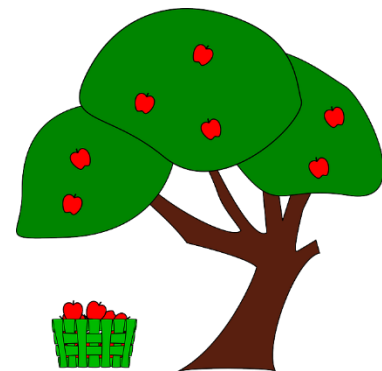
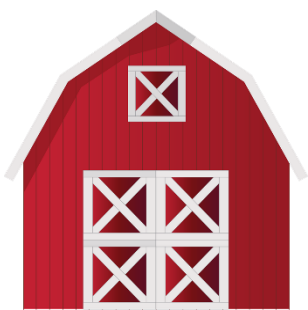
-Orange and circle  
-Counting and estimating

Science:

-Sink and float  
-Making predictions

Other:

-Field trip to the apple orchard



CHUM Co-op Preschool Board Meeting  
September 1, 2020

### Executive Board Reports:

1. Communications Director: Kyleigh
  - a. Approve last month's minutes **All approved**
  - b. Do we need to take attendance? Kyleigh could you just jot down who is missing? **All are present (Bethany, Mandy, Josh, Karen, Troy, Kyleigh, Michael)**
  - c. Newsletter for September **To go out September 19. A lot of the newsletter may be able to be put on Class Dojo.**
    - i. Fundraising especially t-shirts
    - ii. Amazon wish list or will that be too late
    - iii. Letter from teacher Mandy?
    - iv. First day info
    - v. Picture day info
    - vi. Tuition reminder
    - vii. Scholastic
    - viii. Restaurant Fundraiser for September
    - ix. Send out Who's Who at this time?
    - x. Send out before first day of school?
    - xi. What else?
2. President: Bethany
  - a. Troy, I tried changing FB like you suggested but I can't because it wants to change on my personal account
  - b. Thank you for changing our gmail!!!
  - c. I will need to change some people's jobs. Do we still need someone to manage the playground? I'm thinking yes.
  - d. Updated our COVID plan for distance learning
  - e. November 3<sup>rd</sup> we have a board meeting but it is Election Day **Shift to November 10th**
  - f. I need to complete Mandy's contract. Different now with distance learning. Write for the next three months?
3. Vice President: Karen Gallagher
  - a. Review Agenda for orientation **completed**
  - b. Handbook e-mailed or told online and offer to give a hard copy?
4. Treasurers- Troy and Josh
  - a. After meeting- update certain chairpersons of their budgets
  - b. Please let us know about budget updates **Troy will send it out**
  - c. All bills paid?
- i. Reminder rent due Sept 30<sup>th</sup> (I'm not sure if this is still the case)
  - d. Did Lisa contact you about rent from spring?
  - e. Did we get another \$3,000 from state? **Has not come in yet. Will check to see if it was direct deposited.**
  - f. Can we set up Pay Pal for fundraisers? **Just need to set CHUM up for Pay Pal.**

- g. Can we limit the number of students in distance learning?
- h. Scrip and Fundraising. Money off the last tuition payment or cut them a check? **Easier to cut people checks.**
- i. Josh, Can I collect checks on Fridays from families for tuition? **Bethany can collect checks on Friday and Josh will have the envelope on the door.**
- j. I need to give you a breakdown of what families will be paying in October and November. Some families are paying more for siblings.
- k. **Troy is going to hold off using the free \$100 Google ads until next year.**

### Teacher Reports: Amanda Molitor

**Really excited about the kits. Have five kits completed and first three weeks of lessons.**

### General Board Reports:

1. Personnel: Amanda/Bethany
  - a. State form for medications at school ready for Orientation? **It needed until in person.**
  - b. First Aid kits restocked? **Mandy is double-checking, but thinks they are fully stocked.**
2. Student Serviced: Amanda/Bethany
  - a. Picture date? **Run date by Kyleigh's dad ASAP**
  - b. Has the pea gravel level been checked? Any bees? This would be Kesha **Probably needs to shovel the pea gravel**
  - c. How are supplies you need coming along? **Okay for right now**
3. Fundraising: Bethany
  - a. Make a class dojo post about ordering CHUM gear. How much time do we want to give them before placing the order? **Have order for shirts in by second Friday in September.**
  - b. Do you know what to talk about at Orientation? I thought I would have a page I would have in the handbook with all our fundraisers. Highlight shoes and CPK as easy and ongoing. Collect those and turn in. Talk about CHUM gear ordering, and upcoming fall pledge and how a big deal for our school.
  - c. Dinner Fundraising **Reach out to Taco Bob's**

### Old Business:

### New Business:

Adjourn- See you virtually on Thursday!  
**Karen motioned to adjourn. Troy seconded**