

# John Baker News



**November 2017**

Things are really coming together as we complete our second month. The kids have suggested some great ideas for activities they would like to run and we are working hard to make that happen. Additionally we are introducing more of our own unique interests and talents. I hope you enjoy reading about some of this month's highlights.

Jim

## News and Notes

**October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2-5 pm** - We will have our annual Halloween Party and Haunted House. Kids can bring their costumes but they cannot wear them to school.

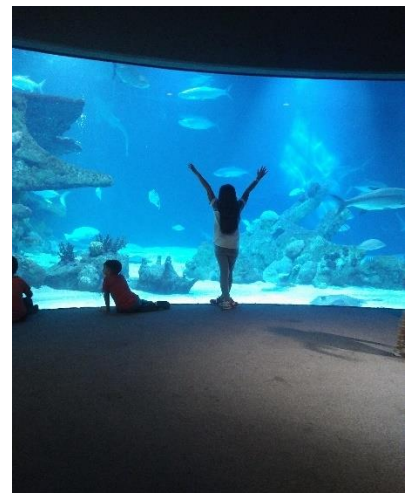
**November 7<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm** - We will have our first CQI meeting. We need families to help us improve the quality of our program. Food will be served and we will keep the kids entertained while we discuss the ways we can all work together to make this program everything we all want it to be.

**November 20-22** - School is closed. We will be at Sombra Del Monte from 7 am - 6 pm. There will be a field trip to Old Town on Tuesday 11/21 from 10:30-3:30 with no staybacks.

**November 23-24** - Children's Choice is closed for the Thanksgiving holiday

## Field Trip to the Botanical Gardens and Aquarium

Everyone was very excited to watch the model trains, look for toads on the lily pads, and explore the wonders of the fantasy garden. Screaming in the giant pumpkin was a deafening highlight. The shark tank almost hypnotically draws everyone close. We tried to figure out how many different kinds of creatures were in the tank.



# State Fair Day



Everyone had a blast during our Fair Day. Face painting was one of the most popular activities and William took it to a new level, creating a battle of anime characters across his face. The sack race and berry eating contest were very competitive too. Dono's funnel cake stand was the highlight with a steady line of customers all afternoon.

## Visit to McCall's Pumpkin Patch

For Fall Break, we got to visit McCall's Pumpkin Patch with the kids from Sombra. Everyone was able to pick out a pumpkin. Some took the opportunity to pick out the largest pumpkin they could carry - there were an astounding number to choose from. We may have gone around in circles in the corn maze a few times but eventually we found our way back out. It was a beautiful day to get out and see the sights.

