## OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



-It is important that all parents/visitors check in the office before, during, and after school to receive a visitor's badge.

-Remember to **communicate frequently with your child's teacher**. Report Cards will go home on Thursday, October 27th.

-Calling ALL Parents to join our PTO at the ELC. Look for a flyer for our next meeting to come home.

-Thank you for making our Simple Qpon fundraiser a success! If you still have the booklet and didn't purchase, please send back to school.

-Fall Fest was a great family event! Thank you to all of the volunteers and donors who helped make it successful!

-Calling ALL Kindergarten Parents!! Come join our monthly <u>Kindergar-</u> ten and Coffee Parent <u>Group.</u> It is a great way to meet other parents and learn tips on how to help your child during kindergarten. Look for the flyer with more information.



# The Early Learning Center

## at George Earle Elementary

Sara Gutierrez, Principal Mindy Kusbel, Administrative Assistant

## Your Kindergartener or Preschooler!



Your child has now settled into his/her new school at the Early Learning Center at George Earle. By now, he/she has learned classroom procedures and expectations, is beginning to build friendships, and is learning reading and math strategies. Please continue to support this new knowledge at home by asking questions and reinforcing what is taught at school. Get into the routine of reading a book with your child each night, so your child learns more about how stories work. It is great bonding time for you both. Let's work together to help your child succeed! Be sure to review your child's report card to monitor their learning.

#### What is a 529 plan?



#### HOBART INDIANA PROMISE 529 COLLEGE ACCOUNT

It is never too early to think about college, better yet... Saving for college for your child! Every child deserves encouragement that his or her life matters. It is our role to support their hopes and dreams for their future. Setting up a CollegeChoice 529 is a beneficial way to be supportive. A 529 plan is a tax-advantages savings plan designed to encourage saving for future college costs. Each kindergartner who registers for a 529 will receive a \$25 investment by Legacy Foundation and many other donors. All your child has to do to sell 5 Marilyn Bakery Pies. The \$25 profit will go into your child's 529 account and our donors till match the \$25. The Marilyn Pie fundraiser **begins October 9th**, orders are **due on October 23rd**, pie pick **up will be November 8th.** 

## Mindfulness

"Mindfulness is simply being aware of what is happening right now without wishing it were different; enjoying the present without holding on when it changes (which it will); being with the unpleasant without fearing it will always be this way (which it won't)." ~James Baraz

"Respond; don't react. Listen; don't talk. Think; don't assume." ~Raji Lukkoor



#### FREE & REDUCED APPLICATION Need help paying for lunches and textbook rental?

Complete a Free and Reduced Lunch Application! Applications are accepted any time during the school year. They can be completed in Skyward with your *Parent Password* information or you may complete a paper application and turn into the main office.

### Get Moving!

We know movement is good for our body and brains! Our students are building running stamina! All kindergartens will be practicing running 1/2 a mile during gym class to prepare for our **BIG RACE EVENT on Wednesday, October 18th** during the school day.