



Midtown Notes

November 2023 Newsletter

Fun in the Fall!

Throughout September, the Midtown community enjoyed welcoming autumn and celebrating Halloween with a variety of fun-filled events.

Our Family PRIDE parents and kiddos went on our annual trip to Thies Pumpkinland to pick pumpkins, play in the straw castle, and take a hayride.

On October 20, Midtown welcomed 175 guests to our annual Fall Fun Fest where they enjoyed games, s'mores, a cake walk, a caramel apple station, and a fall-themed dinner.



Welcome to Ce'Ja!

We are excited that Ce'Ja Gordon has joined the Midtown team as a Family PRIDE coordinator. In her role, Ce'Ja works one-on-one with families to ensure every child in the program is hitting important milestones and is school-ready by the time they enter kindergarten.

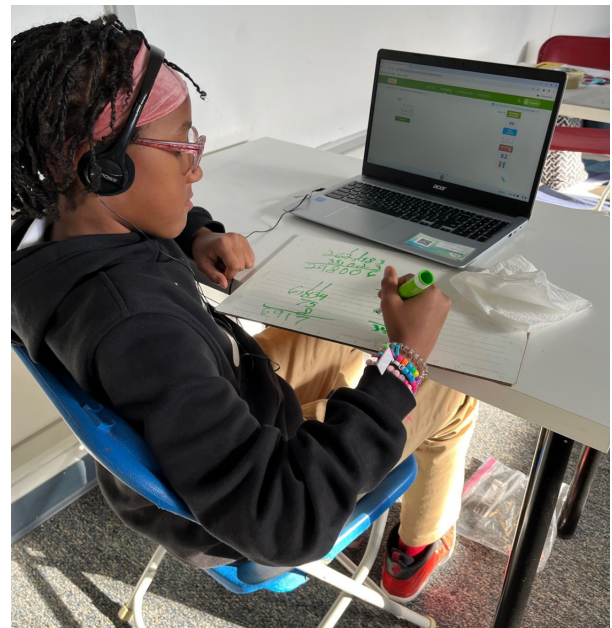


Family PRIDE

This month, our topic was "Seasons." Our kiddos spent time at the Nature Playscape in Forest Park where they learned how leaves and trees change in different seasons. While on their nature walk, they collected sticks, rocks, flowers, and leaves to create their own owl craft. They also played on the rocks and in the water as well as observed some insect friends.

Afterschool

Our afterschool kids have been loving our new tutoring program IXL, which builds on what they're learning in the classroom. They've also spent time at City Greens Community Garden learning about gardening and healthy eating and helped Mr. Dylan and Mr. Quincy harvest sweet potatoes for homemade snacks and meals.



Senior Programming

The Midtown Mamas have been busy this past month with health workshops and get-togethers as well as field trips to Missouri Botanical Garden and Merbs Candy for caramel apples. In addition, we celebrated the Midtown Mamas' win at the Lip Sync Battle with lunch at Golden Corral.



Midtown's Lip Sync Battle is a Hit!

This year, 7 teams took the stage for Midtown's Lip Sync Battle, helping us raise more than \$7,000 for Family PRIDE, Afterschool and Summer Camp programming!

Congratulations goes to the Ageless Angels for winning Fan Favorite and Top Fundraising Team as well as the Midtown Mamas + Tito for Judges' Choice. You can see all the pictures from the evening on our Facebook page.

A special thanks to all of our teams, the Lip Sync Committee, emcee Travis Cummings, photographer Roland Martir, and our incredible volunteers!

Be sure to join us for our next event - the Midtown Holiday Gala on Sat., Dec. 2 at The Christy. More information can be found at www.midtownstl.org/holiday-gala.





YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2023

6 PM | THE CHRISTY

5856 Christy Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63116

COCKTAILS 6 pm

DINNER & PROGRAM 7 pm

MUSIC 8 -10 pm | FReSH RAiN

TICKETS \$100/person | \$800/table of 8

ATTIRE Semi-Formal

PARKING Complimentary Parking in
The Christy Parking Lot

To order tickets online or view
sponsorship information, please visit
midtownstl.org/holiday-gala