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Halloween is here – how quickly October has passed! While many students are excited about the Halloween celebration, I realize that not all families celebrate this event. Last year we provided an alternative activity for students whose parents did not want them to be a part of the Halloween parade or parties. We will do that again this year – students will be able to watch a movie supervised by our special area teachers, play some games in the gym, and have a popcorn snack. If you want your child to participate in this alternative celebration, please send a note to your child's teacher.

If your child is going to participate in the Halloween events, please remember that teaching and learning will be going on during the morning and early afternoon time. First through fifth grade students should not wear their costumes to school. Kindergarten children should wear their costume to school because dressing 26 kindergartens in a short amount of time is a little difficult. We also ask that students, other than kindergartners, do not come to school with make-up or dyed hair. This becomes very distracting for classroom instruction. No pretend weapons of any kind, along with roller skates, rollerblades, skate boards, and scooters are allowed for safety reasons. Please remember that our younger children may be frightened by scary and/or gory masks and costumes. We appreciate your consideration as you choose which costume to send to school with your child.

The morning kindergarten will parade outside around the front of the school, weather permitting, at 9:55. Please do not bring your pet to watch the parade with you. Many of our children are afraid of pets they don't know. If it rains, we will have them parade around the cafeteria for parents to watch.

The afternoon parade will begin at 2:00. Our route will be out Door #2, down to the intersection of Hillsboro and Providence, down Providence, right onto Lansdale, left onto Barrington, left onto Providence and back to the school. Please feel free to watch anywhere along the parade route. It tends to get very congested around the school, making it difficult to see students. If you wait along Lansdale or Providence you will have a much better view. If it is raining we will parade through the gym and cafeteria for parents to watch. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us make this a fun, but safe celebration!

Have a wonderful week! And remember to take some time to read to or with your child every day and to have fun with math activities!