

Happy Fall!

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October brings crispness in the air, sweaters, hot cider and family fun outdoors before the snow flies. We at First School will embrace all that October offers with enthusiasm, vigor, and....that new word we all have to embrace this year, flexibility! Our traditional Father's Friday event has morphed into a weekend long happening at home, our field trips will be virtual, and our parent teacher conferences will be by email, zoom, or however your teacher decides. The one fun thing we will not let go away is Halloween. Please read below for more details. Thank you!

Father's "Friday" at Home Weekend: October 2-4

To all of you Dads of First School who share your children with us, we celebrate you! Whether you are a Dad, Grandpa, Uncle, Big Brother, or friend, we are grateful that you have chosen us for your child's education. We want you to know that we will so miss having you at First School for Father's Friday, but in view of the current pandemic we feel it is best to change things up a bit this year. The good news is that we have turned our once single-night event into a weekend-long celebration for you and your child. This special "Starry Night" weekend will be filled with thematic activities to share together. Please watch for a packet to come home with directions soon! We think you will be impressed. Please take and share lots of photos!

Dates to Remember:

- Oct 1 and 2: Father's Weekend bags will come home
- Oct 2 . 3. 4 Father's Starry Night Weekend
- Oct 8 & 9 Bring in 2 Leaves to share with the class
- Oct. 12: NO SCHOOL, Columbus and Indigenous People's Day
- Oct. 13 and 14: Spirit Days
- Oct 19 & 20 Wear a HALLOWEEN SHIRT or ORANGE
- Oct 20: Picture re-take day
- Oct 22 & 23—Parent Teacher Conferences. NO School. By email or Phone
- Oct. 25: Look for Trunk or Treat Info
- Oct 28-30 Halloween Trunk or Treat

PICTURE Re-TAKE DAY is Tuesday Oct. 20 from 9:30 to 10:15. Please email Stacey for an appointment.

SPIRIT DAYS will be on Oct. 13 and 14!!!!!!Wear Green or a First School Shirt



HALLOWEEN TRUNK OR TREAT!

We are planning a new and exciting Halloween celebration and you can come be a part of it! We are going to trunk or treat. You and your vehicle will come to First School and park in a specific spot. You will face your trunk to the main parking lot. You can decorate your trunk for Halloween, then you will stand by your trunk and pass out treats as the classes parade by. Please wear a facemask when handing out the treats. This will allow you to see your child and their classmates all dressed up for the Halloween celebration We will have a specific day for each group of classrooms. After the parade, we will have each class stand in a

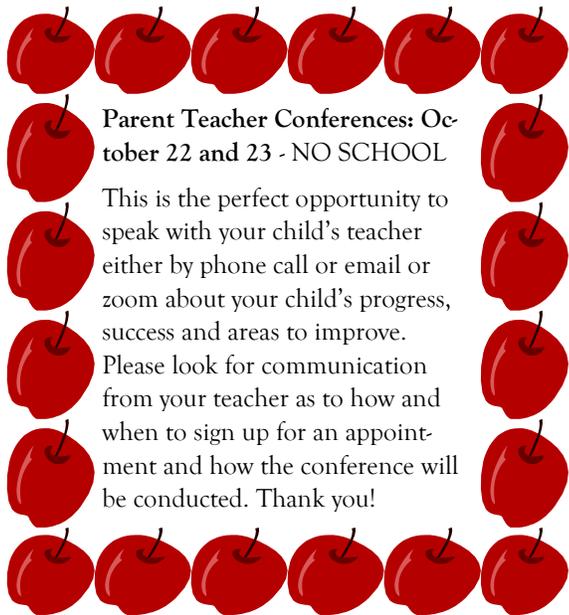
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designated spot and you will be allowed to take pictures from a safe distance. Then we will play some of our favorite songs and dance. Afterwards, you will be able to take your student home for the day. Please remember: Make your decorations kid friendly. The treats need to be pre-packaged. There can be treat bags but all items need to be purchased....please, no homemade treats. Also, please stay away from peanut and tree nut type candies. Small trinkets are also a great replacement for food. These could be stickers, glowsticks, tattoos, rings, etc. Please plan on 30 treats. This will give you a few extra if needed. Morning Trunk or Treat parents should arrive at 9:50 to set up their trunks and get ready for the trick or treaters and should plan to be finished by 10:50. You are able to take your child home at the end of the event. LUNCH BUNCH AND DANCE ARE STILL OCCURRING. Afternoon parents, please come to set up at 1:10 p.m. Mrs. Selby's will parade at 1:20 and Kindergarten will parade at 1:30. Here is the schedule:

Wednesday October 28: Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Hackathorne, Mrs. Meadows and Mrs. Selby AM. **Thursday October 29:** Mrs. Meadows T/TH, Mrs. Hackathorne T/TH and Mrs. Zielinski Young 5's. **Friday October 30:** Mrs. Kershner MWF AM, Mrs. Miller MWF AM, Mrs. Schroeder, MWF AM. In the afternoon: Kindergarten and Mrs. Selby's MWF PM class.

Please drop your child off in the morning at 8:40 for AM and 11:30/45 for PM as usual. Students are permitted to wear costumes. **NO MASKS OR WEAPONS please. Thanks.**



Parent Teacher Conferences: October 22 and 23 - NO SCHOOL

This is the perfect opportunity to speak with your child's teacher either by phone call or email or zoom about your child's progress, success and areas to improve.

Please look for communication from your teacher as to how and when to sign up for an appointment and how the conference will be conducted. Thank you!

Please remember to label your child's coats, mittens, scarves, etc. as cold weather is approaching. Thank you!

A Fun Way to Help our school is to scan your grocery receipts in the Box-Tops app! Thanks so much!



FALL VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP!

We will have something exciting for you to do as a replacement for going on an actual Field Trip in October. Please watch your child's school bag for more details. Hopefully our Spring Field trip will be at an actual site. Thanks for your understanding. We are being flexible, right? :)



Many Many thanks to Mrs. Megan Lucente and Mrs. Laura Naigle for helping out with

the Monday/Wednesday/Friday AM carline!

WE NEED MORE PARENT VOLUNTEERS to help out. We can do this as a monthly or even weekly job. PLEASE consider helping us out. Please let Stacey know if you are interested. This is a fun way to get to know the kids.

Notes from the Office:

- Thank you for your timely turning in of Medical Statements. It really helps us out.
- Please try to use the FIRST SCHOOL book bags that have been given to each student. It helps the teachers tremendously to be able to put artwork and school work in this style of bag.
- Please after having your child put in your car at pick up, pull forward to the pond to buckle them in the car seat. Thanks!