

Dear Parents,

As soon as the calendar reads *October*, it seems the children start talking about their Halloween costumes! Therefore, I thought I'd share a little bit about Halloween at Goosehill Primary School.

First, the children are invited to wear a **simple** costume to school. Please review the guidelines carefully. We also invite parents to join us in a short sing-along in the cafeteria and a mini-parade around the school field and courtyard. The kindergarten sing-along starts at 9:30. At 10:00 both grades parade around the school. The first grade sing-along is after the parade.

Kindergarten Sing-Along 9:30-9:50
Whole School Parade around the Field 10:00-10:15
First Grade Sing-Along 10:20-10:40

Please note the following guidelines:

- Please avoid costumes that are frightening or gory
- For safety reasons, we ask that children not wear masks that cover the eyes.
- Please leave large accessories (especially weapons) at home.
- Please avoid face or hair paint.
- Safe footwear is required.
- We do not include or distribute food (including candy) in our school festivities.

On another note, thank you all for ensuring that your child arrives to school on time. We appreciate your using the vans, and for those who are dropping off, we appreciate that the children are entering the building by 8:30.

I look forward to seeing you at the **GPFA meeting on Wednesday, October 11th at 9:30 a.m.** Our school psychologist, AIS, and speech teachers will be discussing the support services they provide for children in our school. I will also be conducting the first **Parent Lunch-Recess Volunteer training** at this meeting. If you would like to volunteer at your child's lunch and recess this year, you must attend a training.

Finally, as part of the welcome process for our kindergarten families, I would like to extend an invitation to all parents who would like to join me in a conversation about our school. It will be a chance to ask questions, clarify procedures, and just enjoy some time together. This "***Chat with the Principal***" will take place on Friday, October 20th at 10:00 a.m. (I will also be holding a second lunch-recess training at 9:30 that same morning.)

Enjoy the three day weekend!

Warm regards,
Lynn Herschlein