



Goosehill Primary School

Weekly Notes- October 21, 2016



Dear Parents,

According to the National Education Association, research shows that students with involved parents are more likely to earn high grades and test scores, enroll in high-level programs, attend school regularly, have appropriate social skills, show positive behavior, and adapt well to school. We are so fortunate to have a school community that recognizes the connections between a strong home-school connection and student success. When children know their parents are interested in their school lives, they take pride in their work and strive to achieve excellence. We appreciate the efforts and support of all of our parents!

Throughout the year, you will be invited to a number of events designed to give you the opportunity to take part in classroom activities, school festivities, and celebrations of student work. Our first event of the year is the **Halloween Sing-Along and Parade**. It is the first opportunity for the children to perform for you and to have you join them in a fun activity involving their new classmates. We try to keep the event as simple as possible, and then continue on with a typical school day—knowing that for many of the children, the afternoon holds the promise of an exciting time with family and friends.

Here is an overview of the plan for the morning of **Monday, October 31st**:

- ❖ **Kindergarten** Sing-Along in the Cafeteria 9:30-9:50
- ❖ Whole School Parade around the Field 10:00-10:15 (Kindergarten and 1st Grade children will parade together through and around the school.)
- ❖ **First Grade** Sing-Along 10:20-10:40

Plan for the morning:

- **Kindergarten Parents should plan to be at Goosehill from about 9:20-10:15:** Please arrive between 9:20 and 9:30 (no earlier, please!) and proceed to the cafeteria. Please spread out along the perimeter of the room. For safety reasons, please do not bring hot drinks into the cafeteria.
- **First Grade Parents should plan to be at Goosehill from about 9:55-10:45:** Please arrive between 9:50 and 10:00 and proceed directly from the parking lot to the field. Please stand along the parade route outlined on the field--from the gym door around the swings and to the basketball court. It would be best if parents were spread along the route so the children have an audience the entire time! (Kindergarten parents will be joining first grade parents at 10:00--lining up in the courtyard adjacent to the basketball court-following their sing-along.)
- Kindergarten parents will proceed to the courtyard at the end of their sing-along. You will go outside **BEFORE** the children and join the first grade parents who are lined up along the parade route.
- Younger siblings are welcome, but we ask that they remain with their parents at all times. Please do not take older siblings from their classes to attend our event.
- In the event of rain, we will still have the Sing-Alongs (at the scheduled times) but the outdoor parade will be cancelled.

Please see the reverse side of this note for reminders about costumes. Have a wonderful weekend!

Warm regards,

Lynn Herschlein

