

October is a full month! While there are many fun activities planned, there is also a focus on many aspects of student safety.

The month kicks off on October 1st with a Walk to School event. Please consider walking to school on Saturday morning between 8 and 9. There will be fun activities in the back parking lot.

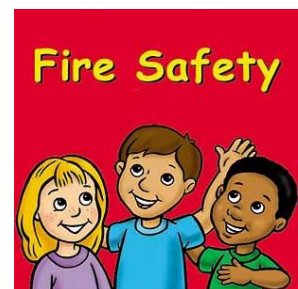
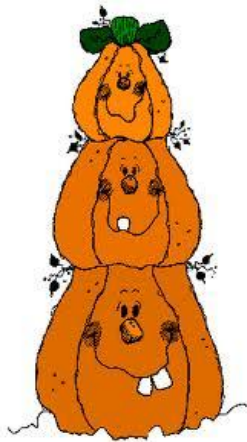
Students have already participated in a few fire drills. This will continue in October. Thanks to the students who participated in the fire poster contest. Students did a great job when the firemen visited us a few weeks ago to teach us about fire safety.

On October 3 our younger students in grades EC through 2nd will have a visit from Toby the Tire focusing on school bus safety. Our students in grades 3-5 will have a safety visit from Metra. Our students also practice exiting a bus safely twice each year. We will have a practice drill in October.

The month will end with our traditional Halloween Parade and parties. There will be some changes this year. Please remember that our new wellness policy does not allow food to be served at celebrations. We do have a full day of fun planned.

Monday Oct. 31 is a START day. We have invited our favorite storyteller, Chris Fascione, Bringing Literature to Life, to return. In order for classes to participate in the assembly and have a party we will be ending the parties with our traditional parade! Also, lunches are a bit earlier on START days. Please see the schedule below.

- 8:15 - 9 Assembly k-2/party 3-5
- 9:15 - 10 Assembly 3-5/party k-2
- 10:15 parade
- 10:50 lunch 3-5
- 11:35 lunch k-2
- 12:20 dismissal



PTO Newsletter

Dates to Remember:

Family Walk - October 1

Market Day - October 4

No School - October 10

PTO Meeting - 9:15 - October 18

Marking Period Ends - October 28

Start Day - October 31

Halloween Party - October 31

Hot Lunch - October 3, 7, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28



Please remember there will be no Hot Lunch on Monday, October 31 due to the Halloween Party and being a Start Day.

Save the Date: On Sunday, October 9, Charming Charlie's will be open from 7:00-9:00pm. 10% off your purchase will benefit the PTO. The store is not open to the public and no coupon is required.



MARCUS TICKETS FUNDRAISER GOING ON SALE OCTOBER 28!

Look for your Marcus Ticket order form which will come home soon! This is our only sale before Christmas. Forms will go home on October 28 and will be due November 16. They make great gifts for teens, friends, teachers and babysitters!



If you have ever wanted to attend a PTO meeting but were not able due to scheduling conflicts this is your opportunity! The November PTO meeting will take place on November 15 at 6:30pm. All are welcome!

We would like to thank Performance Bicycle Shop for raffling one girls and one boys helmet during the *Hike It Like It* Family Walk.



There was a mistake on the Hot Lunch forms for January. The order form shows lunch on January 12, however the correct date is **January 13**. We apologize for the error.

Our next Market Day pickup is Tuesday, October 4 from 2:30 to 3:30 PM. There are lots of great specials and three new items this month -- check out your order form! Order \$40 or more and get garlic parmesan seasoning and 6 french breadsticks free...or order \$90 or more and get a free 60 count box of ravioli to go with it --that's like one free meal! Plus if you place two \$40 orders between October and December, you will qualify for a great insulated bag (17"h x 13"w x 13"d) with your \$40 January order. Ordering online? Be sure to check out the clearance section for more great deals! The cutoff date for ordering is Friday, Sept 30. If you have any questions, please call Lynn Abramic at (708) 614-1808. Thanks for your support -- this is a great fundraiser for our school!

P.S. We are looking for volunteers to help sort the Market Day orders. If you would be interested in lending us about an hour or so of your time, please call Lynn at the number above. Thanks again!