



October 18, 2016

Dear Parents and Students,

On Monday, October 31st, normal learning and academic classes will occur until 1:30 PM. We will have a Halloween parade starting at 1:45 PM. Weather permitting, the parade will be held on the lower playing fields. Parents and relatives are invited and encouraged to join us during the parade. In the event of inclement weather, the parade will be held indoors or on the blacktop area if the afternoon is dry but the fields are wet.

Below are some guidelines to ensure fun and safety for all involved:

1. Students may not wear any item which may create a safety hazard to the child or others.
2. Weapons of any type may not be part of the costume worn to school nor brought to school separately.
3. Masks that impair vision are not allowed. An eye patch, wig, and/or partial face covering are permitted.
4. In light of recent events, please do not send students with clown costumes for this day.
5. Costumes are to be brought to school in a separate bag with student's name affixed. Students will begin dressing for the parade at 1:30 PM. Homeroom parents will be available to assist students.
6. Please use extra caution when parking, especially, if you arrive after the parade has begun.
The safety of our children is our number one concern. Please use Central Park West.

In the event of rain, each grade will march in the gym and stand on the risers so parents can photograph their children. Bleachers and chairs will be set up in the gym for parents and guests. Parents can enter the building by the main office ONLY and proceed to the gym by rooms 30 and 32. Students will be entering the gym by rooms 22 and 24.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation. We look forward to a fun-filled day.



Sincerely,

Mrs. Alison Tugya,
Principal

Halloween Safety Tips from the NJ Division of Consumer Affairs

- Tie hats or scarves securely so as not to obstruct child's vision
- Be certain costumes, wigs and beards are flame resistant.
- Give your child a flashlight in the evening so that he/she can be seen.
- Check the length of the costume and fit of the shoes to prevent falling.
- Use cosmetics instead of a mask to give your child unobstructed vision.
- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape to enhance visibility.
- Advise your child not to eat candy or treats until they have been checked by you.
- Young children should be accompanied by an adult or an older responsible child.