GREENBRIER SCHOOL'S HALLOWEEN PARADE AND PARTY Early Childhood – K-5 Wednesday, October 31, 2018



Dear Parent(s),

Following the tradition of past years, we are planning our Halloween activities for the morning and afternoon of October 31st. Although most children take part in the costume parade and party, their participation is voluntary, not mandatory.

We would like Halloween to be fun for all and require costumes that portray non-violent characters. Please remember that we are an early childhood through fifth grade elementary school. Costumes that may be appropriate for older children or adults may frighten younger children. We are requesting your cooperation in selecting school appropriate costumes that avoid violence, sharp objects, weapons, "squirting or dripping" blood, gore, etc. Please consider selecting a costume that reflects an upbeat, positive theme. We want to model positive examples of caring, respect, and responsibility. In the interest of safety, please be sure your child is able to walk and sit comfortably in his/her costume and is able to see where he/she is walking (masks sometimes obstruct a child's view).

Food will not be served during classroom celebrations. **Please do not send any food items to school for distribution to students**. Our Halloween parades and classroom parties will focus on the fun of celebrating together through holiday games, crafts, and activities.

A.M. Early Childhood Classes

At 9:30 A.M. students will exit door 8, walk to the blacktop and parade to the front doors of the school. Parents are welcome to line up on the blacktop to watch the parade. Following the parade, students will return to their classrooms for Halloween activities.

P.M. Early Childhood Classes

At 1:10 P.M. students will exit door 8, walk to the blacktop and parade to the front doors of the school. Parents are welcome to line up on the blacktop to watch the parade. Following the parade, students will return to their classrooms for Halloween activities.

A.M. Kindergarten

At 9:30 A.M. students will exit door 8, walk to the blacktop and parade to the front doors of the school. Parents are welcome to line up on the blacktop to watch the parade. Following the parade, students will return to their classrooms for Halloween activities.

Parents who wish to watch the EC or A.M. parade:

Parents are cordially invited to watch the parade. If you wish to park, please use the street parking while obeying village signage. **DO NOT PARK in the teachers' parking lot in the back**.

P.M. Kindergarten through Fifth Grade

P.M. Kindergarten students will report to school at 12:45 p.m and proceed to their classroom for attendance. At 1:10 P.M., first through fifth students will go directly to their classrooms for attendance. The parade will begin at approximately 1:30 P.M. from the blacktop of Greenbrier School. We will walk across the blacktop to the sidewalk on Verde, walk to Roanoke, continue on Roanoke, and walk back to the playground area and return to the classrooms through the front doors. (The students will remain on the sidewalk, not crossing any streets as we parade around the building). In case of rain, we will parade in the Gym and Commons.

Parents who wish to watch the parade:

Parents are cordially invited to watch the parade. On this day, we ask you to follow these specific directions for 1:10 drop off and for parade parking. When returning your students to school after lunch, please use the drop off in the front of the school. If you wish to park, please use the street parking while obeying village signage. **DO NOT PARK in the teachers' parking lot in the back**.

Children staying for lunch will be allowed to change into their costumes following their lunch. Please send a costume that is easily put on by the child. Also, please label any bags that hold costumes to avoid confusion.

We need to account for the whereabouts of all our students at all times on this day. Therefore, please return the Halloween Attendance sheet that will be sent home for each child. We would appreciate your cooperation in returning this form to your student's teacher by 9:05 a.m. on Wednesday, October 24th.

When should my child wear his/her costume to school? (Wearing a costume is optional)

Morning Kindergarten and Early Childhood students should wear their costumes to school. All other students wear their costumes after lunch. For first through fifth grade, please do not apply any makeup to your child's face before sending them to school in the morning.

When is the lunch period?

The lunch period is our regular lunch from 12:10 p.m. – 1:10 p.m. Zip line lunch will be the only lunch option this day. There will be no hot lunch option offered. Students may choose between:

Cereal/Yogurt Lunch Pizza Kit Lunch Turkey & Cheese Deli Lunch

The students in grades 1-5 should return to school at 1:10 p.m. Students arriving back from lunch at 1:10 p.m. are to use the front doors of the school ONLY.

We make every attempt to maintain an appropriate learning environment during morning instruction. Your cooperation will assist us in making October 31st a day for both learning and celebrating. We'll see you at the parades!

Sincerely, Donna Bingaman Principal