

## Ripley Central School

### "Home of the Eagles"

Learn today. Lead tomorrow!

11/3/2023

Dear RCS Families,

Our Halloween Parade was well attended by families this past Tuesday. It was great seeing all of our students in their costumes. Halloween evening's Trunk or Treat event saw a remarkable attendance, thanks to the support of numerous volunteers. Worries about donations quickly evaporated as the community once again surpassed our expectations. We welcomed over 175 children to the event, and it's heartwarming to witness this gathering grow in size and enthusiasm with each passing year.

As we embark on a new month, it's an ideal time to establish a reading goal for the upcoming month. Students in grades PK-6, have nightly reading homework and bring home a folder and books daily. We kindly request that you ensure your child dedicates at least 15 minutes to reading each night, whether they read independently or are read to. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated. We will be recognizing our October readers at the Crew Celebration this Thursday. Thank you for encouraging and fostering a love for reading in your children.

Breakfast is served from 7:35 to 8:00 am in the cafeteria daily for students in grades K-6. To ensure your children have ample time to enjoy their breakfast, kindly ensure that they arrive with sufficient time to finish by 8:00 am. Morning attendance is recorded in classrooms at 8:10 am. Students arriving late due to breakfast will be marked as tardy by their teachers.

We've observed that some parents are parking across the street and walking up to the car rider line during arrival and dismissal. With winter on the horizon, we kindly request that, effective immediately, everyone waits in the car-rider line during drop-off and pick-up to enhance safety. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Next Friday the school will be closed in honor of Veterans Day. This holiday, originally commemorating the end of WWI on November 11, 1919, officially became a Federal holiday on June 4, 1926, with President Dwight D. Eisenhower issuing the first Veterans Day proclamation in 1954.

Don't forget to set your clocks back by one hour on Saturday. This is my favorite time change, as it grants an extra hour of sleep. Hopefully, we will have well-rested students and staff on Monday.

Yours in education.

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# **Upcoming Events**

#### Monday, November 6

K-1 Lego League Discover 3:15-4:30 pm

PTO Meeting 5:30 pm Cafeteria

#### Tuesday, November 7

K-1 Lego League Discover 3:15-4:30 pm

#### Wednesday, November 8

Macrame Club 3:15-4:30 pm

BOE Meeting 6:30 pm

#### Thursday, November 9

Macrame Club 3:15-4:30 pm

#### Friday, November 10

School Closed

Veterans Day Observed

#### Monday, November 13

Picture Make-Up Day

K-1 Lego League Discover 3:15-4:30 pm

#### Tuesday, November 14

K-1 Lego League Discover 3:15-4:30 pm

#### Wednesday, November 15

Macrame Club 3:15-4:30pm

#### Thursday, November 16

Family Style Thanksgiving dinner for lunch Macrame Club 3:15-4:30pm

#### Friday, November 17

Early Dismissal 11:00am