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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Our Halloween parade will be held on Tuesday, October 31, 2023, weather permitting. The parade will begin at 2:00 pm, and students will make two laps around the front of the building. Please be advised that parents, family members, and friends will not be permitted in the school before or after the parade. Participation in the parade and parties on the part of students is <u>voluntary</u>. Unless the teacher receives a note to the contrary, it will be assumed that a student has parental permission to participate in these activities. Students not participating in the events will have an alternate activity to attend while festivities are underway. Students can wear their costumes to school as long as it does not interfere with walking, sitting, or any other daily operations. If the costume needs to be put on prior to the parade, students will have an opportunity to change in the bathrooms. A student should be able to dress themselves in the costume, however the younger grades will have extra help in the classrooms.

We ask that parents follow these guidelines in selecting a costume for their child:

- Any costume that includes items replicating weapons (ex: guns, knives, swords, grenades, etc.) will not be permitted.
- We ask parents/guardians not to have students wear a costume which may be considered offensive to any ethnic or religious group.

If your student(s) will **not** be participating in the parade, please send a note to the classroom teacher no later than **October 27**. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Have a safe and happy Halloween.

Sincerely,

Ms. Gramata Principal



