

Dear Families,

In looking ahead towards the upcoming Solar Eclipse on **April 8th**, we wanted to share with our families a general overview of what we have put together here at Cossitt to help celebrate this rare celestial event.

We have chosen to incorporate our school buddies into the organization of the day.. After all . . . who better to share this rare and exciting moment with than a cherished Cossitt buddy.

The following activities listed below will be how we will be celebrating together:

- Read a book explaining the eclipse event - [Cossitt Production Read Aloud](#)
- STEM activity with buddies -
- Watch NASA's live feed
- Watch [Safety Link](#) and debrief
- View the solar eclipse with buddies (weather permitting) on the black top and the grassy field,
 - The District will supply certified solar glasses that meet the international standards. These glasses block ultraviolet light, visible, and infrared radiation.
- While we will very explicitly be doing a safety pre-talk with our students, we are additionally asking that you also discuss the importance of keeping their safety glasses on with your child.
- Because the intent of this event is to be both informative as well as fun, the very last thing that we would want to generate is anxiety or apprehension about participating. So . . .
- In the event that you **DO NOT WISH YOUR STUDENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OUTDOOR PORTION OF THE AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES**, please plan on **emailing Suzanne/Maggie** - co-office@sd102.net) For those students who chose to remain in the building, we will provide access to the eclipse through the NASA live feed.

If you have any additional questions or concerns regarding our plans for this event, please plan on reaching out to me directly:

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Looking forward to our journey together on April 8th to boldly go where no students have gone before (with apologies to Star Trek.)