



October 22, 2009

Dear Parents or Guardians:

On Friday, October 30th, we will be celebrating Halloween with two different fun-filled events. Both events, **Historical Timeline** and **Halloween Parade**, will take place here at North Shoreview Montessori School.

We begin the day at 8:30 a.m. with speeches in the participating classrooms. All of our 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th graders, and some 1st grade students, will participate in a Historical Timeline Assembly at 10:30 a.m. in the gymnasium. Students who participate will choose a historical figure, living or dead, and do research on this person. After research is completed, the student dresses as this person and participates in the assembly program. Each participating student goes to the stage in timeline order. Parents are encouraged to attend this assembly.

The pre-school, kindergarten and first grade parade begins at 11:00 a.m. on the school yard. Students and staff would love to have a cheering audience as we circle around the playground many times. Sooo....come with your family, friends, cameras, and lots of enthusiastic applause. Please consult your child's teacher about special classroom activities.

Costumes for the parade are optional, of course, but some form of "dress up" is fun for all. Please help your child choose safe costumes. For example: non-flammable wigs, clothes short enough to avoid tripping, reflector strips and flashlights for after dark, make-up instead of a mask, everyday shoes. No costumes should indicate gang involvement and children must behave in an acceptable manner at all times. More importantly, I must emphasize that children are **not** to bring **weapons** to school, including **toys that resemble weapons**. Students violating school policy will be appropriately disciplined.

If your child cannot participate in Halloween activities due to religious reasons, we will provide alternate activities. The Historical Timeline is not a celebration of Halloween but rather a social studies lesson and students in 2nd – 7th grades are expected to participate.

This is an exciting event for our children. We hope that you can join us.

Sincerely,

Phyllis Harrison



Historical Timeline Schedule

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. ~ Speeches in Classrooms
10:00 a.m. - 10:20 a.m. ~ Recess
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. ~ Historical Timeline in Gym
11:00 – 11:20 a.m. ~ Pre-school, Kindergarten
& 1st grade parade on school yard
12:10 – 1:10 ~ Lunch
Regular Dismissal Time for all students