

# ***Paw Prints***



**Sterling Grade School  
Newsletter**

*Brennan Riffel, Principal*

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## **Halloween Parade**



The annual Sterling Grade School Halloween parade will be held Friday, October 31. Students will leave the Grade School at 1:55 and will arrive downtown around 2:00 p.m. The costume parade is available to all students but is limited to Sterling Grade School students only. If any parent would prefer that their child not participate in the parade, simply notify your teacher so that arrangements can be made. Room parties will follow the parade and begin around 2:30. The parade route will start at Broadway and Monroe and proceed south on Broadway to the Methodist Church. The kids will then circle around and return to school on the same route. In the event of inclement weather, the parade will be held in the Grade School gym.

Traditional costumes are welcome. Simple and home-made ideas are also encouraged. Weapons should not be a part of the costume and please refrain from using grotesque or gory decoration in your child's costumes. The school will have the final say on costume appropriateness and what will be allowed in the parade.

## **Procedures for Winter Weather**

As cooler weather quickly approaches, parents and students are reminded of the procedures before school. Students are allowed into the building at 7:45 to report to their assigned places. Once inside students will be expected to sit in the halls outside of their classrooms and read a book. We feel this will provide a safe, warm, and productive setting for students who arrive early to school. It is important to know that students will not be allowed into the building before 7:45 because staff are not here to provide supervision. Students who arrive early are not required to come inside at 7:45 but may do so if they choose. Students that eat breakfast at school will still be allowed inside at 7:40. We hope these procedures will accommodate the needs of our parents and kids.

## **Reminder about Birthday Parties**

Parents are reminded to contact their child's teacher in advance if they desire to bring birthday treats to the classroom. Also, invitations to home birthday parties are not to be passed out at school unless everyone in the class is invited. Sleeping bags and overnight gear for sleepovers should also not be brought to school. Thank you in advance for helping to prevent hurt feelings and misunderstandings during birthday celebrations.

### **Check your Calendar:**

#### **Monday, Oct. 13**

**No School**  
Columbus Day

#### **Friday, Oct 17**

End of 1st 9 Weeks  
Homecoming  
Assembly at OSAC -  
10:00 am.

**Dismiss School at  
12:30 pm**

#### **Monday Oct 20**

GS Picture Retakes  
School Wide Evacuation  
Drill-1:00 pm

#### **Friday, Oct 24**

AR Bowling Party

#### **Monday, Oct 27**

Grades 5-12 Vocal  
Concert at OSAC  
7:00 pm

#### **Wednesday Oct 29**

**Dismiss at 12:30**

### **Picture Retake Day**

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**October 20th**



**"Bear Necessities"  
October:  
Responsibility**