September 30, 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

 On Thursday, October 31, 2024, our school will be participating in the fun of Halloween. For each grade component, participation means something a little different.

All students in grades Pre-K – 12th grade are welcome to wear costumes. Face masks and head coverings are not permitted in school by any age student. Student Halloween costumes must be appropriate for school.  Costumes must be non-violent and an appropriate length. Facemasks and props that are carried, such as wands and sticks, are not permitted as they are unsafe for school.  Fake weapons such as plastic guns, knives, swords, etc. are also not permitted.  Children should not bring any candy, sweets, or goody bags to school on October 31st as we must ensure the safety of all our students.

Students in grades PreK – 5th grade will be invited to participate in our annual Dance Party on the Quad. Students should be dressed appropriately for the cooler weather. Parents of students in grades PreK – 5th are invited to attend this outdoor event.

Student safety will continue to be a main priority during the Dance Party. We will be sectioning off the designated area for guardians to gather. Parents will be designated to this area, under the covered walkway, beginning at 8:45. Parents will be able to be able to view the parade of students and dance party. The event will last from 9:00am-9:45am. An additional permission slip will be backpacked home from your student’s teacher. The identification of a parent section is to ensure that all students are safe.

Students in grades 6th – 12th can participate by dressing up in an appropriate costume, without face or head coverings. Students in grades 6th – 12th are also subject to a quick bag search and item check when they enter the building. Items that are deemed inappropriate for school will be confiscated and returned to the student at the end of the school day.

Students should be reminded that this is a fun event. Shaving cream, eggs or item that is a potential hazard are not permitted in the school building. We appreciate your support in making Halloween a success!  We look forward to a safe and healthy Halloween.

Thank you for your continued support.

Anthony Tabbitas

Principal

The Michael J. Petrides School