RHEEMARKS

October 29, 2017

Ready or not here it comes! If this week was not already circled twice on your calendar you better get out a Sharpie because Rheem's Halloween Parade is happening this Tuesday, October 31st at 12:15, and the Fall Carnival on Thursday, November 2nd at 4:30. I can't wait to see our Roadrunners' imaginations come to life on Tuesday followed by an evening of family and fun on Thursday. I hope to see there!

This Week at Rheem:

Monday, October 30th:

· Regularly scheduled day

Tuesday, October 31st:

- School wide Halloween Parade on the blacktop at 12:15.
 - ALL K-2nd graders are early friends (8:25 1:55)

Wednesday, November 1st:

• Regular Wednesday (8:25-1:50 for everyone)

Thursday, November 2nd:

Fall Carnival and Cake Walk at Rheem from 4:30-7:00 PM

Friday, November 3rd:

· End of first trimester

Halloween Parade Concessions

I can't remember a Halloween Parade without some refreshments. Be sure to bring a dollar or two and stop by the 5th grade concession stand to purchase a cool drink and glow stick.

K-2 arrival and dismissal on Halloween

All K – 2^{nd} graders will be early friends on Tuesday (8:25-1:55). The 3^{rd} – 5^{th} graders will have their regularly scheduled day (8:25-3:05).

Safety Reminder for Halloween

The following guidelines have been designed to ensure that all students enjoy a safe and happy Halloween at school:

- "Accessories" resembling weapons such as guns, knives, swords, etc. are inappropriate and never allowed at school (CA Ed Code, 48915)
 Please remind your student that such items brought to school will be removed and returned to parents at a later time.
- Students will not be allowed to ride a skateboard or roller blade during the parade.
- Please be cognizant of any costume resembling a scary clown, with the mini hysteria caused earlier this year, let's help our children enjoy a fun, not fear, filled day by leaving the clown suit at home.
- Finally, please keep in mind that we have over 400 students at Rheem School ranging from ages 5 to 12 years old. We appreciate students being considerate of those who get frightened easily by keeping "blood and gore" to a minimum.

Keep in mind that Halloween is a day like no other – people dressing like a monster or something scary can be confusing to some children, therefore, frightening masks, elaborate face paint, and creepy costumes and sounds can terrify some children. Our goal is to provide our students with fun this Halloween, so please look to leave the scary/creepy costumes at home. Thank you for understanding.

Fall Carnival and Cake Walk – Thursday, November 2nd

The MUCH-anticipated Fall Carnival and Cake Walk is this Thursday, November 2nd from 4:30-7:00. Come enjoy food, fun, family and friends while

supporting Rheem. Be sure to click the following links for wristbands, raffle tickets and additional information; FallCarnival Cake Walk.

School News and Highlights:

Rheem Parent Night at MCC – Last Thursday night saw a cozy crowd of Rheem parents enjoy an evening of food, drink, games and good company. A special thank you to Serina Culleton, Bess Inzeo and the PTA for putting on such a wonderful get together.

This Friday is the end of the 1st trimester: Can you believe a third of the school year is wrapping up this week? If you have not done so already be sure to sign up with your student's classroom teacher for a parent-teacher conference the week of November 13th.

Rheem's Fun(d) Run Update – In early October our students put the petal to the metal and roared around the field during the Fun(d) Run. The tally is in with over 8,400 laps completed by students and nearly 300 by staff. We'll be sure to update you on the total amount collected from all the donations and pledges in the coming weeks/month. Thank you again to our parent organizer Kim Thompson and her cheering team of lap-counting volunteers, as well as PE teacher, Mr. Studebaker, for making the day a huge success.

The Last Word:

Through our study of "Growth vs. Fixed" mindsets, as well as our own experiences in teaching and learning with children, we have come to firmly believe that ALL students can succeed. However, we understand that success does not necessarily come easily or quickly. We know that learning is a process that involves risks, mistakes, and even failures. Please click HERE to watch a short video (just 3 minutes) that highlights the main ideas of this philosophy from its founder Dr. Carol Dweck.

Roadrunner Pride,

Mr. Sullivan