

October 19, 2020

HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS AT KINGSWOOD

Dear Kingswood Families of Onsite Students,

As I mentioned in the last update on October 16, we will still be having some Halloween activities at Kingswood, but it will be done in a different way, to ensure that we are abiding by all of the health and safety protocols. We know this is an important day for our students, so we want to do what we can for them at this time.



Some of the guidelines for Halloween at Kingswood this year:

- Halloween at school this year will be on **Friday, October 30**
- we will **not be** allowing students to bring treats to share with others this year.
- children **are** allowed to wear their costume if they choose to do so. There is no expectation that all children will come dressed up for the day.
- if children do decide to wear a costume, we ask that they come to school still dressed appropriately for the weather. We will still be going outside for staggered break times throughout the day.
- no play weapons of any sort--- please keep these at home!
- children need to be able to safely move, play, etc. as they will still be going outside and doing physical activities.
- we will have a Halloween Zoom assembly in the afternoon--- a "Zoombly" so that students are still able to see other children's costumes in this virtual assembly. This is because we are not able to assemble/gather in the gym as we have done in the past.



One of the Halloween events we are doing this year is Kingswood's Pop-Up Pumpkin Patch! On Friday, October 30, we will have pumpkins out on the school field—one for every child currently at school. We will schedule for classes to go

out one at a time to select their own pumpkins. We will, as we do every day anyway, have students wash their hands before going outside and wash their hands when they come back in. Some classes may be carving their pumpkins, some may decorate them in other ways, and some may simply take them home to carve or decorate at home. (If your child's class is carving at school, their teacher(s) will let you know in case they'd like children to bring pumpkin carving tools from home).

What we are requesting is that each student onsite bring **\$2.00** to pay for the cost of the pumpkins. Mr. Leung (Division 4) was able to secure this reasonable cost and the delivery of our pumpkins next week! Students are asked to return their \$2 to their classroom teacher by **Monday, October 26** (earlier is appreciated if possible!). We also ask each student to bring a **plastic bag labeled with their name as well**, so that the children can carry their pumpkins home at the end of the day.

Thank you for your support and understanding that Halloween will be different this year. However, we hope that with these activities, that students are still able to celebrate Halloween safely at school.

Sincerely,

Ms. Bahd
Principal

