

| To: | Howard Staff |
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| From: | Allan Chinn |
| Re: | October 31, 2013 at 1:15 |
| Date: | Harvest/Halloween Parade and Celebrations |

The Halloween Parade will start at 1:15 PM on October 31. Note, classroom parties may run prior to the parade, at the teacher's discretion. Promptly at 1:15 (or perhaps a few minutes earlier), Room 17 will begin the parade "train", following the route below. Students will parade through classrooms, with each class adding to the train as they leave the room. Classes will follow the parade route until they end back at their classroom.

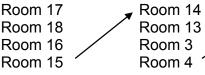
Thriller Flash Mob!

The location of the parade will be changed to the playground covered area instead of the gym. 4/5 students will be leading the parade and will get into their positions under the covered area, and then grades 1, 2 and 3 will form and sit in a semi-half circle to watch the performance. I'll be out there to guide where classes should sit. Once the performance is over, the parade will resume. If there is rain, we will perform in the gym.

PARADE ROUTE

Begin:





Room 6 Room 7 Circle back to Room 17. Follow the route until you end back at you classroom

Here are some important points to note:

- Even though the parade starts at 1:15, it will take a bit of time to get through the classrooms, and to your room. Please keep the parade moving.
- If it is raining, see the rainy day parade route.
- Parents/guests should gather on the blacktop (or main hallway depending on the weather) to watch the parade line pass.
- Please have your class make a sign that includes your name. You may want to post your sign on a yardstick for easier viewing. Your line leader should hold the sign high so that we know when one class ends and another begins.
- Room 17 will begin the parade "train" following the planned route. Students will parade through classrooms, with each class adding to the train as they leave the room. Classes will follow the parade route until they end back at their classroom.
- Costumes can only be worn during your party and the parade.
- Toy weapons should not accompany costumes.
- No masks, please.
- Costumes should be in good taste and should not be especially scary. You may want to ask students what they plan to wear at school prior to your celebration.
- BE SENSITIVE TO STUDENTS WHO DO NOT CELEBRATE HALLOWEEN. If you have any such students, please consider a harvest party rather than a Halloween party. Also, Room 8 will be available for students not participating in the celebration.
- Kindergarteners will have their parade in the morning. If you would welcome a kinder parade in your classroom, please let Robin, Paula and Shelly know.

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