

Paris Central Public School

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Halloween Message for Paris Central Families

This message is in regard to Halloween costumes, treats and our parade on October 31st at Paris Central School.

As a staff, we recognize that some families do not celebrate Halloween for a variety of reasons so the degree to which students participate in any way (e.g. treats, costumes), is a personal choice and will be respected by everyone here. There is no prescribed expectation regarding participation.

If students are wearing costumes, please ensure that costumes are worn at home before they come to school since our parade begins shortly after the morning bell. Parents/guardians are welcome to view our KG to grade 4 students parade at 9:15 in the gym.

For safety reasons, we are requesting students abide by the following rules:

- 1. No props
- 2. No weapons or explicit make up (e.g. fake blood)
- 3. No costumes that exploit or appropriate others' race, religion, gender, culture, economic situation, and/or human suffering
- 4. No masks

There will be no food shared between students, but students can bring their own favourite peanut/nut free snacks to enjoy at school. Each classroom teacher will distribute peanut/nut free snacks to the students in their classrooms. Students will be encouraged to take their edible treats distributed by staff home so parents/guardians can choose if and when is an appropriate for them to have it.

There will be a dance in the afternoon for grades 5 to 8.

Post Halloween Candy

It is important that candy sent in lunches as a dessert or snack, be peanut-free/nut free. We kindly ask that you check your child/children's lunch so students are not bringing items that could have potentially dangerous ramifications.

We want October 31st to be a productive, respectful day with a little bit of fun that everyone can access.

Kind Regards,

Latha Reuben, Principal