

Dear Families,

October 25, 2021

Exposing students to new book titles is a great way to build reading motivation. Take advantage of our local public libraries and select books on the changing seasons and other high interest topics. **20 minutes a day is the Winchell way** and we need the support of our families to make that happen.

Our outside time is the only time students can take an extended break from masks. I am trying to get students outside every day during recess. That means we are going out in weather that in past years may have prompted us to stay inside. For example, Thursday was misty and wet but not raining and we went out. **It is important that your student has appropriate clothing (*with his/her name written on it*) to be outside before, during and after school.**

The PTO is also planning a **Trunk or Treat for October 29 from 6-7 pm** in the lower parking lot of the Third Christian Reformed Church. **So far, we only have 14 trunks signed up.** When we did this last spring it was really fun! We need your help to make this year a success as well. Use this [Sign-Up Genius link](#) to volunteer.

Our **Academically Talented** teacher, Mr. Gonzalez, will be out one additional week. Academically Talented classes will start on November 1.

Picture retakes will be on December 3. More information will come out the week before.

We still need **Household Information Reports** from many families. The report helps determine the amount of money that our school receives from a variety of state and federal support programs. The form is attached to the newsletter email. You can return the completed form to the school or directly to the Food Service Department.

We will have our annual Halloween Parade on Friday, October 29 at 2:30 pm. **Students should bring their costumes to school and change in the PM. As always, no weapons with costumes.** We will walk the cul-de-sac (Broadway to Crosswind to Aberdeen). We invite you to walk with us and help supervise the students as we walk. After the parade, classrooms have candy free parties. **This event is a student favorite and we will need your support to make it a success!**