

## Halloween Notice

Students are permitted to wear Halloween costumes at school on Tuesday, Oct. 31, but are not required to do so. We ask everyone to keep in mind that we want this to be an enjoyable day for all students, so we ask that costumes be suitable to an elementary school environment where children as young as 4 years old are present. Please remember that we do go outside for recess and lunch play time. Students may want to bring a change of clothes to keep their costumes safe. Students will also need to remember to take all parts of their costumes home at the end of the day. The school will close earlier that night to ensure that all staff makes it home before the Halloween Festivities start in their own neighbourhoods.

To keep everyone safe, we ask students to leave items that resemble weapons at home and to avoid wearing masks (face paint is acceptable).

Students will be participating in Halloween Stations throughout the morning. The afternoon will be up to individual teachers to plan. Not all classes will have a Halloween party. Please check with your child's teacher before sending treats to school this day. If you are bringing treats, please remember that <u>we are a nut aware school and all treats should be peanut and tree nut free.</u>

North Ridge will be having a Pumpkin carving contest on this day as well. This is open to students at all grade levels. Interested students will bring home a separate notice and entry form. Students are to carve their pumpkins at home and bring them to the school in the morning to be judged later in the day. We will have different categories for students to enter their pumpkins in. We will announce the winners at the end of the day. Students will then need to pick up their pumpkins at the end of the day to take home. Any pumpkins left at school will be disposed of.

We look forward to a fun day for all of our students. Please see your child's teacher if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

The North Ridge Staff

