**Frog Room News**

**October 2020**

Dear Parents,

It has been an exciting month. Our new students have made a good transition to the Frog Room and are comfortable and happy with our fall schedule. The September unit provided us with a great opportunity to get to know each other better, work and play together. With so many activities planned for the next months, we are looking forward to a terrific year.

The social studies theme for October is seasons. We will focus on the changes in the weather and how those changes affect plants and animals. During the last week of October, we will concentrate on the bounties of fall along with fun and safety at Halloween.

As we begin talking about the changing weather, we would like to remind you that these changes can take place very quickly in Colorado. Please remember that the children play outside at various times of the day. Layered clothing and a jacket can make these playtimes more comfortable for your child and ensure that he or she does not become overheated or chilled.

**Please have your child bring an extra mask to leave at school in case your child’s mask becomes wet or dirty.**

We will be having a class costume party and parade to celebrate Halloween on Friday, October 30th. **Weather Permitting**, we will have an all school costume parade at 8:45 A.M. on the playground. Parents are welcome to stay and line the fence along the southeast corner field to watch. If we are unable to be outside, we will conduct our parade in our classrooms. We will video and share the parade with you on our Facebook page.

You are also invited to contribute treats and goodies to our parties. We will send you a link to Sign-Up Genius with opportunities to contribute to your child’s classroom party. Thank you in advance for your support and we will keep our fingers crossed for warm and dry weather for our celebration!

Each child should come to school wearing their costume for our party. In addition, each child should:

1. Bring a bag (labeled with your child’s name) along with a change of clothes for after the parade.
2. Label all parts of the costume. There could be many duplicates.
3. Leave all accessories at home. They are easily lost.
4. Please save the makeup for Halloween night.

Because there are children with allergies to nuts, we ask that you be sure that there are no nuts in any of the special treats that you send to school. Thank you for your help with this matter.

Individual conferences will be held with your child’s small group teacher on November 11 and 12th. These conferences can be in-person if you are comfortable coming in and meeting with your teacher in person (with masks) at the school. If you prefer, you can sign up for a conference time and we can conduct your child’s conference over Zoom. More information and sign-ups will be available as conference times approach.

We would like to thank you for your support during this first month of the school year. We are looking forward to autumn and all the pleasant changes it brings.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Martinez and Miss. Arneach