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Dear Sherman Community Members,

Fall is upon us and the trees are giving us their best colors of the season! The walk-a-thon was a HUGE success! Thank you to Christy McEldowney and Liz Childers and their committee for making this day fun and profitable for the PTA.

October is a month with a number of early dismissal days. Today, October 7th is the first one so that teachers can delve into professional learning on our district language arts assessments.

October 23rd, 29th, and 30th are all early dismissal days for conferences! Please check the PTA calendar for fund raising activities after school.

Our annual Halloween Parade will be held at 2:30 on Friday, October 31st. Children are to wear appropriate costumes for school. Big masks are not allowed as it is hard to see when walking in them and weapons of any kind are off limits. Parents and siblings are invited to view the parade outside. In the event that the weather does not cooperate, we will hold the parade inside and it will be for students only. Your child’s classroom teacher will send home a visitor pass **only** to those parents that will be helping with the class party. Thank you for your cooperation with this and our increased security measures.

Here are a few reminders about school rules:

* You will not be allowed into school unless you have made a reservation through your classroom teacher (including birthday lunch visits)
* If your child forgets something, you will not be allowed back into school once dismissal is over
* If you are dropping off a forgotten item once school has begun, please leave it on our cart outside, ring the bell and let us know that the item is there
* If your child is late for school, please ring the bell and to let them enter, we’ll take care of the rest, no need to bring them into the office
* Please do not use cell phones in *stop, kiss, and go*
* Dogs are not allowed on school property
* Please park with our neighbors in mind

Thank you for your help!

A school survey will be available on Infinite Campus beginning October 20th and until October 31st. Please take the time to answer the few questions on the survey. Students in grades 3, 4, and 5 will be taking the survey during tech time. The results should be available soon thereafter and will be shared at a PTA meeting in the near future.

Enjoy the fall and all that the season brings, hot cider, pumpkins, apples and crackling fires in the cool evenings.

Until next time….happy days!

Warmly,

Eileen