

Dear Las Lomas Families,

Fall is in the air, which means that **Halloween** is not far behind. I'd like to share our plans and how you can help make this a safe, special day for children.

The students love to dress up in a variety of costumes, parade at school and then take to the streets, knocking on doors in search of special treats. On Thursday, October 31, we will have our Halloween parade at 10:45 a.m. on the blacktop. We ask that children not wear masks (they impede vision), bring weapons or wear blood as any part of their costume. Children will be seated in a large oval on the blacktop with their class. Three to four classes will parade at a time so all can see and be seen. We ask that parents stand outside the oval. Please do not wear masks.

I want you to understand the school's policy regarding **photographs**. At any school event, you should *only take photos of your own child*. No photos of children other than your own may be shared over the internet, either by email or posted on websites. Posting photographs of children other than your own on photo-share sites such as Shutterfly or social media sites such as Facebook and YouTube is not allowed. Some families have specifically asked that their child's photo not be distributed in any way other than in the classroom. It is our legal responsibility to honor this request.

We ask you, too, to **please not send candy to school for snack or lunchtime**. With your support and cooperation, I'm sure we'll have another safe and colorful Halloween at Las Lomas.

Until next time,
Sue Sartor