

Weekly Notes October 24, 2017

Booster's News:

SQUARE ONE ART Fundraiser was the largest one we have ever had! Thank you so much for everyone who purchased art and to Ms. Naomi Strickland for organizing the fundraiser. The art will be here in the next few weeks.

Congratulations to Ms. Shannon's class with 71% of her class purchasing Square 1 Art and congratulations to Ms. Ana Maria's class with sales of \$1078.00! Wow! Both classes will get a treat from the Booster's Club.

Booster's Club Raffle:

Can you use an extra \$500 or a Yeti cooler at Christmas time? If so, then try your luck in the Booster's Club raffle! The prizes are either \$500 cash or a Yeti cooler. The first person drawn gets to choose!

Ticket combos are
2 tickets for \$5
5 tickets for \$10
15 tickets for \$20

The drawing will be held on December 7th at the Holiday Program. You may purchase tickets from the MSR office or at Fall Festival. Thank you to Jon Headrick Motor Company for donating the Yeti cooler.

Fall Festival Here's what you need to know! It is Friday, October 27 from 5:30 to 7:30, sponsored by the Booster's Club. At the school. Please do not park on the opposite side of Dodd Blvd

Cost of Fall Festival: If you have paid your \$25 to the Booster's Club, your admission to Fall Festival is FREE. If not, you may pay the \$25 at the door. We have 80% of our families who have paid the \$25. If you aren't sure, Ms. Melanie has a list in the office.

At the Fall Festival, food is sold for an Adolescent fundraiser. Cash or checks for the food; small bills only please.

Pony rides are \$3.00. The sixth years are hosting a pink lemonade stand for breast cancer awareness, and proceeds will benefit charity.

We will have our 2nd Annual Silent Auction for class pumpkins. Each class is creating a pumpkin work of art, and this year they are artificial pumpkins so the lucky winner may enjoy them each year! Choose from R2D2, Halloweeny Fairy House, Boo-tifully Batty, Dia de Los Muertos, and many more. We will have inflatables, a 6th year charity lemonade stand with funds going to breast cancer awareness, pony rides, Jim and Shemi's famous brats and many more goodies.

Book Fair at the Fall Festival:

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to the Fall Festival. Checks, credit cards and cash are accepted for the Book Fair! Please come support the library and buy books at the Scholastic Book Fair. We use the proceeds to buy more books for the library.

Trunk or Treat at Fall Festival:

We have 6 families signed up for Trunk or Treat. We would love to have 5 more! Thank you to the Attaways, Soks, Headricks, Greenways, Edelkinds, and McIntosh's for volunteering to decorate their trunks and give out candy to the students on Friday during the Fall Festival. Please email office@msor.org if you are willing to decorate your trunk and hand out candy for the children. The children would love it! It doesn't have to be extra fancy, just something fun for the children. You may get together with other parents and participate-- whatever works best for you! These always seem to be enjoyed by the children and the adults enjoying decorating for them.

Pizza Lunch 10/31

Booster's Club is providing pizza for the school on Halloween, Tuesday, October 31! Thank you for supporting us and enjoy a day of not packing a lunch!

Ms. Ginny and Ms. Pam's class

If you have paid your \$25 Booster's Club family fee, your entry into Fall Festival is free. Our class is the first to reach 100% participation! Thank you to Aniyah's church for making an additional donation to the Booster's Club. So you all do not have to pay an admission fee, but be sure and bring money for food and the pony rides (\$3).

Last week we were blessed to have a new student join our class! Please help me welcome Thea Chesley into our class! She is a very sweet child and has acted like she's been here all along! It's great to have her. Be sure and welcome her and Vivian, her mother to our MSR community.

We are still talking about nocturnal animals and reading Halloween books! We would love for a volunteer to bring a pumpkin so that we could paint and decorate it. It would be fun for the kids!

Yesterday our power was off until the children were napping. We could not do heat ups, so Ms. Shemi bought pizza for all the classes. The children loved it! If they had fruit or something in their lunchbox that didn't need to be heated up, we offered it to them. That's why most of them still had food in their lunchbox!

Our Halloween parade is Tuesday, October 31st at 10:30. Please have them dressed in their costume and send extra clothing in a bag with their name on it, and we will send their costume back in it. We will change them before lunch. The Booster Club provides a pizza lunch on Halloween, so there is no need to send a lunch.

Also, on Friday, November 3rd, no lunches will be needed. Madison's family is providing lunch in honor of her 2nd birthday!!

Ms. Shannon and Ms. Dana's Class

We are continuing with our nocturnal animal studies this week. We are starting to do more Halloween type songs this week. The favorite of the week is "Fly Little Bats" and "Five Little Pumpkins". They have been making me giggle this week because they really like spooky or scary stuff. Whenever we have talked about carving our jack-o-lantern, they've said they wanted it to have a scary mouth! So today we carved our scary jack-o-lantern! We also washed and cooked the seeds to eat with lunch. Ask them if they liked the sweet or salty ones.

Our class had the highest percentage of participation in the Square 1 Art fundraiser! 71% of our class ordered the Dr. Seuss creations. They will be here in a few weeks! Thank you for your participation! The school receives a portion of the proceeds.

This Friday night is our fall festival from 5:30 to 7:30. I hope you can make it. I know the Boosters have planned a fun night of trick or trunking and inflatables. We have been working on our pumpkin for the auction at the fall festival. I gave the kids a choice in the color and they chose a beautiful topaz teal. They worked hard on painting it today! Our "Boo-tifully Batty" pumpkin will be in the lobby soon for you to see!

Have you seen the Yeti cooler in the lobby? You can buy tickets for a chance to win it or \$500. Ticket combos are 2 tickets for \$5, 5 tickets for \$10, 15 tickets for \$20 The drawing will be held on December 7th at the Holiday Program. You may purchase tickets from the MSR office or at Fall Festival.

The Halloween parade will be held on October 31 at 10:30. The kids will come to school dressed in their costumes (please send a change of clothes for after). We will march around the upper playground. You are welcome to attend. It only lasts about ten minutes. Some parents attend; some choose not to if their child struggles with separation anxiety, and some come and take their child with them so they get a good nap before going out to trick or treat. It's a personal choice so do whatever works best for your family. We will have pizza for lunch that day. The lunch is provided by the Boosters. If you would like to send in a special Halloween dessert, please let me know. Thanks!

Please remember to send jackets in daily. It's usually chilly when we go out at 10. Make sure to label them. Thanks!

We want to thank Ms. Shemi for providing pizza to all of those who had warm-ups for lunch yesterday. We had no power until 1, but the children were great!

Ms. Ana Maria and Ms. Valerie's Class

Hello,

Our week started out very exciting. I am sure the children told you all sorts of stories about the school not have power yesterday. We had a great time! We got to color, tell Halloween stories, play freeze dance in the dark, and then at the end of the morning the students were even trying to pull out some work and work by the windows for light.

I am so excited to announce that our class sold the most in the entire school for Square 1 Art! We had sales of \$1078!! Amazing! The art should be here in the next few weeks. The Booster's Club is providing a treat for our class.

I hope your calendar is marked for the fall festival this Friday, October 27th. It will be from 5:30- 7:30. There will also be a silent auction for class pumpkins. Each class is creating a

pumpkin work of art, and this year they are artificial pumpkins, so the lucky winner may enjoy them each year! The class is so excited about our pumpkin.

Tuesday, October 31st- Halloween Parade. Your child can come to school in their costume. The rules are that it cannot be scary, and no weapons are allowed. Please make sure to label your child's accessories. We want to make sure it all goes home with the right child so they have everything for trick or treating. Please send in a change of clothes for your child so they will not get their costume dirty. We will try to change them as fast as we can after the parade. The Halloween Parade will be at 10:30am on the Upper Playground. If you are planning to attend, please plan to get there a few minutes early. The parking lot will sometimes fill up fast. You can park and then go straight to the upper playground. After the Halloween parade, the students will have a chance to play as we set up for lunch. Boosters are providing a pizza lunch for the whole school. We would love some Halloween themed fruit and veggies and a Halloween themed treat. Please let me know if you can send anything in. If you would like to take your child home after the parade or lunch to rest for trick or treating, please let me know.

Please remember to label jackets. Jackets have been known to end up in different classrooms in the school or even go home with the wrong child. We try to keep up with them as much as we can. If you are picking up your child from late stay, be sure to check the fence to see if your child's jacket is there.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Ana Maria

Ms. Angie and Ms. Carolina's Class

Hola!

We had a very exciting start of the week! The storm that went through yesterday morning, had us without power until after lunchtime. Children were very understanding and tried their best to do any work where there was sunlight. We colored and painted some of our Halloween crafts. We want to thank Ms. Shemi for providing pizza to all of those who had warm-ups for lunch.

This Friday, October 27th is Fall Festival at our school. There will be a silent auction of decorated pumpkins. This year they are plastic pumpkins so you can enjoy them for many years. We are painting a sugar skull pumpkin, and the children say it is beautiful. We need parent volunteers for the Fall Festival, so please if you can volunteer, sign up with Ms. Melanie at office@msor.org. We need volunteers for trunk or treat and volunteers to take up money at the pony rides. We need someone from 6 to 7:30 in 30-minute increments at the pony rides. If you have paid your \$25 to the Booster's Club, admission to the Fall Festival is FREE! If not, you may pay the \$25 at the door.

Tuesday, October 31st is the Halloween Parade at school. It will begin at 10:30 am on the Upper Playground. Your child can come to school in their costume, but no scary costumes or weapons allowed. Please make sure to label all your child's accessories. We want to make sure it all goes home with the right child, so they have everything for trick or treating. Please send in a change of clothes for your child so they will not get their costume dirty. We

will try to change them as fast as we can after the parade. The parking lot will sometimes fill up fast. You can park and then go straight to the upper playground. After the Halloween parade, the students will have a chance to play as we set up for lunch. Boosters are providing a pizza lunch for the whole school. We would love some Halloween themed fruit and veggies and a Halloween themed treat. Please let me know if you can send anything in. If you would like to take your child home after the parade or lunch to rest for trick or treating, please let me know.

We are finalizing the details for our holiday program and costumes, we will send a separate email regarding all the information, please be on the lookout for it.

As the weather is getting colder, please remember to label jackets. We have a few in our closets with no names on it, making it hard to find their way back home.

If you have any questions, let us know.

Thanks,

Ms. Angie & Ms. Carolina

Ms. Dolores and Ms. Anna's Class

Hello,

Everyone that presented their historical figure last night did a wonderful job! We are excited to see the rest of the presentations this evening. Please be sure your child is at the gym by 5:45 tonight. Presentations will begin promptly at 6:00.

We look forward to seeing you at our fall festival this Friday evening! Our class will have a decorated pumpkin in the auction this Friday. We are using an artificial pumpkin this year so you will be able to keep it for years and years to come!

* Fencing - please remind students to have long pants for fencing class on Mondays

We will have 16 total classes as planned for fencing. Walid will add in additional classes for any classes missed.

We will have a Halloween parade on October 31st at 10:30. Students are welcome to dress up but please make sure your child avoids a scary costume. You are welcome to send Halloween treats to school on October 31st!

Please replace the extra clothes we keep in class with clothes appropriate for cooler weather. Also, remember your child will be swimming at the YMCA so please continue to pack a coverup and towel each Friday.

Please be on the lookout for overalls/ blue jeans, a plaid shirt/ Christmas colored long sleeve button up, and boots for our Christmas program. Our theme this year is Appalachian Christmas!

Thank you Ms. Shemi for providing pizza to the all the students that needed their lunch heated up yesterday! It was a great substitute since we were unable to heat up foods with the electricity being out.

Have a great week!

Thank you,
Anna

Ms. Maggie and Ms. Stefanie's Class

The Fall Festival is this Friday, October 27th! Please join us for this festive night! Afterwards, the adolescents are hosting an elementary sleepover. The students may be dropped off after the Fall Festival (7:30). Students are encouraged to wear their costume during the festival and sleepover. Activities include flashlight tag, dance party, scavenger hunt, movie, cookie decorating, and breakfast. Students should bring a sleeping bag, pillow, pajamas, morning clothing, toiletries, and flashlight.

- \$25 for the first child and \$20 for each additional child

Please remember to send in a new change of clothing that is suitable for the colder weather.

Thank you Ms. Shemi for providing pizza to the all the students that needed their lunch heated up yesterday! It was a great substitute since we were unable to heat up foods with the electricity being out.

Fencing - please remind students to have long pants for fencing class on Mondays. We will have 16 total classes as planned for fencing. Walid will add in additional classes for any classes missed.

On Halloween, October 31st, we will have the school parade at 10:30 a.m. Parents are welcome to come and watch! Students are welcome to wear their Halloween costume to school. Please bring a change of clothing for the remainder of the day.

Thanksgiving is right around the corner! We will be having our holiday feast in the classroom on Tuesday, November 21st. A sign-up list for food items will be sent out mid-November.

We are starting to work on our Holiday program during music class with Ms. Dagmar! The Lower Elementary theme is Appalachian Christmas. We are wanting the students to wear overalls/blue jeans, a plaid shirt/Christmas colored long sleeve button-up, and boots. Please be on the lookout for these clothing articles! If you know someone who plays the fiddle, please email office@msor.org with their contact information.

Happy birthday to Ben Damen! We will be enjoying a special treat for his birthday on Friday, October 27th.

YMCA- A suggestion for swimming clothing-a swimsuit cover-up/robe and closed toe sandals/slip-ons. We had some difficulty putting their clothing back on after swimming. If you child is bringing a pair of goggles, please write their name on it.

Thank you,

Ms. Maggie & Ms. Stefanie

Ms. Rebecca and Ms. Kaitlin's Class:

Parents:

A few reminders for this busy week –

*For the YMCA, we are doing basketball this session.

*Fencing - please remind students to have long pants for fencing class on Mondays. We will have 16 total classes as planned for fencing. Walid will add in additional classes for any classes missed.

*Historical Timeline went very well last night, and it is a pleasure to see our students progress in their public speaking each year. Tonight we will see you at 5:45 to line up, and the program begins promptly at 6:00.

*Friday is busy!! Here are the Friday activities:

Classic Roots and Math Box tests

Garden Club meeting

Birthday lunch

Fall Festival. Bring your \$25 for the Booster's Club donation in order to get in FREE to the Fall Festival.

*Elementary Sleepover after the Fall Festival. See the sign-up sheets in the main office or in the library. Hosted by the Adolescent class as a fundraiser for their travels.

Adolescent Class

We have enjoyed working on the Historical Timeline this week. The elementary students are doing a great job presenting, and we like to introduce them and provide the sound system.

Our 9-week progress reports have been submitted.

As promised, here is Isaiah Girgis' riddle from last week and the answer:

What runs but has not legs?

What sleeps but does not dream?

What freezes but is not cold?

The answer to the riddle is a computer! Chris Green, Maddie Green's daddy, guessed correctly last week and came up with some fun riddles of his own.

Please sign up at office@msor.org for the Elementary Sleepover. We are hosting this event as a fundraiser for our travels. It begins at 7:30 after the Fall Festival on Oct. 27. Details were emailed in a flyer and there is a flyer in the main lobby.

Thank you!

The Adolescents