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As always, we will be celebrating Red Ribbon Week next week, by encouraging students to say NO to drugs and alcohol. Please encourage your student to take part each day.

Monday, October 26th: Celebrate Red Ribbon Week: Wear something red

Tuesday, October 27th: Staying drug free is no sweat: Wear sweatpants

Wednesday, October 28th: Team up against Drugs: Wear team gear

Thursday, October 29th: Drugs are scary: Wear your school appropriate costume

Parent Teacher Conferences

First quarter ends tomorrow, October 23rd. Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, October 29th and Friday, October 30th. We believe communication between school and home is one of the most valuable tools in a student's education. Our goal is 100% attendance at conferences because working together helps every student succeed! Conference time will be sent home with students, so please be on the lookout for that information. We look forward to connecting with families!

Harvest Parties

Our classroom Harvest Parties will be held, in the afternoon, on Thursday, October 29th. Students may wear costumes to school that day, with the following guidelines:

- The costume must not hamper student learning
 - No mask, student's faces must be fully visible
 - No blood or gore. Costumes must be school appropriate
 - No costumes that could be traumatizing to younger students
- Watch for information from your student's teacher regarding classroom treats, party materials, and parent helpers.

PICTURE DAY RETAKES

Legacy Photography will be here on Tuesday, October 27th to photograph all students who missed our original picture day, as well as any students needing picture retakes.

Important Happenings

October

10/22	REACH 3:15-5:00PM
10/23	FUN Friday- Favorite Sports Team Day
10/23	End of 1st Quarter
10/23	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
10/26-10/29	RED RIBBON WEEK
10/26	PTO-Pumpkin drop off
10/26	RRW- WEAR RED
10/26	REACH 3:15-5:00PM
10/27	Picture Day Retakes- By Legacy Photography
10/27	RRW- Wear Sweatpants
10/27	JH/HS Fall Concert HS Gym 6:30PM
10/27-28	PTO-Pumpkin student voting
10/28	Lions Club vision screening w/signed consent form
10/28	RRW- Wear Team Gear
10/28	REACH 3:15-5:00PM
10/29	PTO-Pumpkin winners announced
10/29	RRW- School appropriate costume
10/29	NO REACH
10/29	EL- 12 P/T Conferences- 5-8PM
10/30	No School
10/30	EL-12 P/T conferences- 8-11AM

November

11/2	REACH 3:15-5:00PM
11/2	School Board Meeting 6:00PM
11/4	REACH 3:15-5:00PM
11/5	REACH 3:15-5:00PM
11/6	Fun Friday- Neon Day
11/6	Early Dismissal- 2:05PM
11/9	REACH 3:15-5:00PM

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Manners Matter

In all parts of their lives, children with great manners have a powerful advantage over those who do not. They make friends easier, get along better with their teachers, and eventually make much better employees and spouses. Here are four techniques that will give your child this life-long gift:

Tip No. 1: Make a list: Sit down with your kids and make a list of the specific behaviors polite people display. Have fun with this activity. Your written list might look something like:

- Say "please" and "thank you"
- Eat with their mouths closed
 - Burp in the privacy of their own rooms
- Say "excuse me"
- Hold doors open for people

Tip No. 2: Model these manners: Children learn much more from our actions than from our words

Tip No. 3: Provide kids what they want only when they use manners: When parents use Love and Logic, they don't waste their breath lecturing about good manners. Instead, they very politely refuse to provide what their kids want unless they hear a sweet "please" or "thank you" and see the other behaviors on their "manner list." For this to work, parents must respond to requests with polite sadness instead of anger or sarcasm. For example, a parent might say in a sad tone of voice, "This is such a bummer. We can't go to the movies today because you need more practice with manners first." A parent who sets this limit, avoids anger or sarcasm, and holds firm by staying home will see a very upset child in the short-term and a much happier, more responsible one in the long-term.

Tip No. 4: Expect them to repay you for embarrassment they cause: If your child continues to be rude, he or she may need to repay you for the embarrassment or inconvenience created. With genuine empathy and sadness, a parent might say, "How sad! Your rudeness at Aunt Mary's house really drained the energy out of me. I've been too tired to clean the bathrooms. When you get them done, I'm sure I'll feel a whole lot better." If the child refuses or forgets to do the chore, wise parents don't lecture or threaten. Instead, they quietly allow their child to "pay" for their bad manners with one of their favorite toys.

Each week we share Love & Logic tips here. We also have many Love & Logic resources available for loan. Contact our school counselor, Ms. Jessy Lewis, for more info.