
Tuesday, October 8, 2019

Dear Parents:

I saw a squirrel in our yard a few days ago that just stood there and stared at me like it was saying, "Don't you know this is *my* territory?" It was one of those 90 degree days we had last week so the sight of it made me smile as I thought surely fall must be coming.



There are more to squirrels than meets the eye, whether yours or mine. They are deceivers, pretending to bury a nut to throw off their competition. When threatened, they run in a zig-zag pattern to throw off predators. (However, this doesn't work too well with cars.) And appropriate to our climate, they are able to smell food under a foot of snow. Bright-eyed and bushy-tailed, they definitely are cute!

Don't bury these details for long!



This Friday, October 11, is the end of first quarter and also our second Mileage Club Challenge. The first through sixth graders will try to go 2.5 miles. Please encourage them to wear fall leaf colors for "Spot On, Autumn." We will begin at 3:05. Please come join the fun!



Next Thursday, October 17 is a Professional Development Day. School will be dismissed at 2:15 with after school care available.



Our first Box Top Collection is **October 18**. Please send in your stash to help your child's class and our school in general.



Progress Reports are scheduled to go home on **October 22**.



The annual Parent/Teacher Conferences for kindergarten through sixth grade take place Friday, **October 25**. The scheduling forms are due tomorrow! Also, we ask the parents of the LRC students to indicate if their child will be in attendance that day.



Grandparents Day is only one month away! Yikes! There's a lot to do but we are super excited about *Willy Wonka, Jr.* and the rest of the festivities that will take place on **November 8**. Invitations are going in the mail this week. Please supply the teachers with the necessary addresses.



Can we already be thinking about Thanksgiving Break? Please note we are out of school for three days, **November 27-29**.

I hope you are enjoying this lovely weather (but watch out for the squirrels!)

Mrs. Newton

