Hi All,

We were blessed with a week of beautiful Fall weather! Fingers crossed that this lasts.

Our Preschoolers had a wonderful field trip to Silver Brook Farm in Acushnet. The weather was perfect! The Farm gifted the school with a bushel of fresh apples. What a treat! I have enjoyed reading about the trip and seeing the pictures the teachers posted in their communications to the parents.

School Pictures arrived this week! That was exciting. In addition to the photo package you ordered all students received their very own Picture ID card. The ID card is used in our Cafeteria. But what excitement to have a 'license' just like their parents! So cool! Picture Re-take Day has been set for Thursday, November 2nd. If you are unhappy with the photo, just return the package. If your child was absent, they will be photographed on that day. Regardless, ALL students should have received a copy of their Class Picture.

The excitement is mounting for Halloween as our students are picking out their costumes and decorating at home. Plus there are plenty of pumpkin related activities happening at school as well.

This year we will be dividing our traditional Halloween Parade - both will be held outside (weather permitting). Our Preschoolers will come dressed in costume. Parents/Families will be treated to the Parade at 9:30. The students will Parade around the perimeter of our enclosed playground. Parents/Families will select their viewing spot on the outside of the fence. Don't worry - Preschoolers will Parade through the Kindergarten classrooms too so that all students get to see them. Your child's teacher will be sending home information specific to their classroom's celebration.

Our Kindergarteners will get dressed in the afternoon for their Parade. After Parading for our Preschool friends they will Parade around the perimeter of the playground as well. The Kindergarten Parade will make their appearance at 2:15. Your child's teacher will be sending home information specific to their classroom's celebration.

Here is a 'PEEK' at next week -

## Thursday, October 26 - 6:00-7:30 - Trunk or Treat at DeMello School Parking Lot

In addition to the Treats the PTO will be offering Pizza & Refreshments for sale as well as contests for Best Decorated Trunk and Costume. See you there!

Don't forget it is also - PieZonies Night - tell your Friends & Family to participate and support our PTO!

## Friday, October 27 - Fire Safety Day at Cushman School

We are thrilled to welcome Fire Safety Officer Anthony Poente and his team back to Cushman School. In addition to Fire Safety Lessons with our students (Preschoolers and Kindergarteners), Fire Captain Robert Fereira has secured a Fire Truck for an upclose visit by our students. The Truck will be located on our paved playground so do not panic if you drive by on Friday.:)

Don't forget about local events happening this weekend!

- **Boo at the Zoo** Buttonwood Park Zoo October 21 & 22 and October 28 & 29 from 10am-5pm
- Fire District 1 & Dartmouth Recreation's Annual Trunk or Treat October 21 from 5:00-6:30 at the Fire Station located on Bridge Street

"Rain, Rain, Go Away"...we have so much fun coming our way!

Peace, Heidi Silva Brooks