

RICHMOND ROSE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Richmond Rose Families,

Halloween is approaching and we would like to take this opportunity to review the expectations surrounding the celebration of this event in our school.

Under the Board's Safe School Policy, <u>students may not bring toy replicas or other items</u> resembling guns, knives or any other weapons, as accessories to their Halloween costumes. Bringing a toy weapon replica or any other items resembling guns, knives or any other weapons to school will result in a suspension for any student from kindergarten to grade 8. Students are also reminded that masks are also not allowed as part of their costume. We would also like to remind families to avoid things like fake blood, as such items/imagery may cause unnecessary fear, anxiety and misunderstanding. Families are also reminded that if something is representative of a person's culture or religious beliefs, then it <u>should not</u> be worn as another person's costume.

Primary students will be participating in one of three optional events on the 31st, including an art activity, Halloween Parade, or harvest presentation. Families of students participating in the parade are welcome to join us at 10:45 on the first floor.

Students from grades 4-5 will be participating in class community building celebrations in the afternoon where costumes are welcome, but not mandatory.

Students from grades 6-8 will be participating in one of two optional events on the 31st, including an Art Activity or Dance.

If you have any specific questions about classroom related events, please speak with your child's teacher.

Thank you.

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S. Philp Principal