

Weekly Happenings at The Elementary School:

We practiced a lockdown for the first time this year this Tuesday. Students and Staff received praise from Rensselaer County Sheriff's Deputies, who assisted in the drill.

Friday is PTO's **HALLOWEEN FAMILY FUN NIGHT**

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm.

Bring your costumes and prepare to have some scary fun!

Notes to Parents:

Halloween is Tuesday, please remember that we only allow Pre-K students and Kindergarteners to wear costumes. Please respect our interest in assuring that Tuesday remains a day of uninterrupted instruction.

We are no longer keeping students from recess because they have not completed homework or due to behavioral problems during the school day. Students are not to lose instructional time to make up homework. This is due to my direction, and as a result, grade levels are adapting classroom and grade level behavior plans. You will notice that we have new picnic tables located near the upper playground that have been donated. The picnic tables are not for the purpose of keeping students out of recess and students will not be assigned to complete homework during recess. Extra help is available after school on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. If you would like to request that your child stay for extra help, please contact your child's teacher.

Significant behavioral issues will continue to be referred to the main office and parents will be contacted regarding those incidents. This year, Mr. Smith has been assisting me with discipline issues in the mornings. He has experience with student discipline at a previous school, and he has worked closely with me this fall. He may see your child this year, and/or contact you regarding issues he is helping with.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Mark Foti
Elementary Principal