What a Week!
October 23, 2026

Next week's theme is Halloween and Day of the Dead. We have so many reading guests this week! Miss Fran from the RIverside Library, Miss Kathi, retired Berwyn librarian, and Miss Alice, also a retired teacher. Plus we're walking to the library! Did you know

- Children who are read to daily hear about **290,000 more words** by age 5 than children who are never read to.
- Children who are read five books every day hear roughly **1.48 million more words** by kindergarten than peers who miss out on daily reading.
- Children's books contain **50% more rare words** on average than typical adult-child conversation.



Children are invited to come in costume. They go upstairs as usual at 8:30am. After your child is in their classroom, if you are staying, find a seat along the parade route. Chairs will be placed in the hallways.

At 8:45 we will parade inside where parents, grandparents, etc. (feel free to invite family!) will be stationed to hand out one item per child (candy or non-edible treat). We will have 30 students. We will provide bags for the parade. Students will not go through their bag during the day - you will have the ability to sort and dole out as appropriate at home.

The parade ends in the social hall - the room at the bottom of the stairs. We will wait for families to come down and have a seat. Then we have a very short performance of some spooky songs and poems the children have been learning.

Everyone will change out of costume after the activities. Please pack some comfy clothes. Our day concludes at 11:00 am with an early dismissal.

Adult Volunteers Desired!

Monday, November 2 our lunch caterer is closed. We'll make lunch in-house: pasta with Tiny Tots Secret Sauce (full of good veggies; recipe created and produced by Bodhi's mom Brittany) with a side of fruit. If you can help prep and serve (lunch is at 11:30) let Lynda know! In person, email lynda@rpcusa.org or through Remind. Thank you!

Calendar Reminders

Friday, October 30; early dismissal (11:00 am)

Tuesday, November 3; no school
(Election Day)

Friday, November 20; no school (conferences) followed by Fall Break through Sunday, November 29. School resumes November 30!

Friday, December 18; Winter Show at 9:00 am with a reception and 11:00am dismissal followed by Winter Break through Sunday, January 3. School resumes January 4!