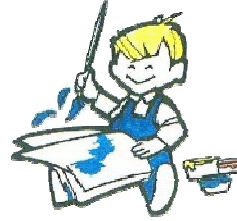


November 3, 2009



Dear Parents,

1. We hope that everyone had a wonderful, funfilled Halloween. If you are looking for something to do with the loads of candy that you were left with, we are participating in "Operation Gratitude" with a local dentists office and candy will be sent to the troops fighting for our freedom. Simply drop any unopened candy to Ivy Hedge by Friday, November 6th and it will be delivered to the dentist and sent directly to the troops.
2. Picture Days are Thursday and Friday next week, the 12th and 13th. Look for a notice home by the end of the week with your specific day to be pictured. We invite you to have siblings pictured. If you would like to have siblings pictured, kindly let the office know and all sibling shots will be taken first thing @ 9:00 on both days. Any questions, please call the office.
3. Many questions and concerns are coming to my attention about the H1N1 virus and what are we doing . We are doing everything humanly possible as far as cleaning the building and washing hands. The ultimate responsibility lies with you, the parents. If your child says that they do not feel well, you must keep them home. If your child is sent home from school sick, they must remain home for a 24 hour period. If your child goes to bed with a fever, they may not attend school the next day. Also, green discharge from the nose is a sign of an infection and the child should stay home. I understand as a working parent, myself how difficult it can be to call out of work sick, but this cold and flu season is very serious and should not be taken lightly in any way. Please be prepared with a back up plan if you should get a call that your child needs to be picked up.
4. FYI- Wednesday, November 25th Ivy Hedge is closing early at 1:00. All children are to be picked up by 1:00 pm. Thank You

Sincerely,

Melissa Kopec