

September 25, 2020

Friends and Family of Addenbrooke Classical K-8,

I apologize for the delay in the Pony Express this week. The pony needed an extra rest break and so it got stopped in Denver. I can tell by the number of emails and visits I have had in my office that school is in full swing.

This is a reminder that Picture Day is October 1st! Remote learners have the option to come and get their picture taken between 1:00 and 3:00, and should enter the southwest gym doors. These pictures will be used in the yearbook and students should wear red polos.

October 2nd is Dress Out of Uniform day and students will be able to dress out of uniform for \$1. Hoodies and all school appropriate non-Addenbrooke gear may be worn on this day.

This week, students were all introduced to the Safety Protocols. This training includes practicing and learning about how to react if there are emergencies in the building. We will have a lockdown drill in the next two weeks and I want to make you aware. I will send an email after the completion of the drill.

For our 6th grade students, Outdoor lab is just about 2 weeks away. While this experience is a bit different this year, I am excited to see the kids come back from this adventure as they always come back with a special bond and new respect for each other.

We have decided to allow K-5 students to wear their Halloween costumes for the whole day of school. We ask that they be school appropriate and follow the guidelines in the Parent/ Student Handbook. We will have a parade around the outside of the school starting at approximately 8:20, and will video the entire parade to share. We also would love for remote K-5 students to send a picture of themselves in their costumes to their teacher to share in our video. While parents will not be able to participate in the parties that are in the classroom, the homeroom parents or teacher may be reaching out to ask for items for their parties.

For REMOTE LEARNERS PARENTS: We have been getting several emails about specials and/or electives for remote learners. We still do have requirements for students to take and get credit for these classes and therefore are requiring the assignments. This is how the teachers will be grading whether students meet the standards. Students in grades K-5 may complete alternative projects if they desire but these should be approved by the specials' teachers (Mr. Hagen, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Lewis, and Mrs. Wheeler). Nature study is not mandatory as this is part of our classroom Charlotte Mason Studies. Middle School students are required to do their electives assignments.

Our count week has officially begun, the official day count day is October 2nd. These days are the measure of how we receive funding for our school and it is essential that both remote learners and on-line learners are in attendance on that day. We also will not be accepting any more students after that time.

Thank you for all your support. You have all been amazing.

Julie Spencer