

# CSS CHATTER

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**CHARLES STREET SCHOOL**

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**Important reminder: 12:45 Dismissal  
on Wednesday October 26th  
Lunch will be served in school!**

## NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOM...

**Preschool** has had a fantastic start to the school year. Our preschoolers are learning to follow the daily routine, building relationships with peers and exploring their classroom environments. We are beginning to learn about the world around us and the changing of the seasons. It has been a pleasure getting to learn about our friends and their families. We look forward to a wonderful year ahead, Preschool is so much fun!

**Kindergarten** were the first classes to go on a field trip this year. Our students went to Indian Acres Farm in Medford where they learned about pumpkins and gourds from Farmer Ryan. Students had the opportunity to pick pumpkins, go on a hayride, and go through a giant maze of hay bales. A fun day was had by all.



**First grade** is finishing up subtraction from 10. Students loved reading "The Storm" in our Journeys textbook. They also learned about different types of storms in Science and got to do a science experiment related to weather. Students are continuing to tap out and write words in Foundations. They are learning about nouns and writing sentences about pictures. Everyone really enjoys adding pictures of nouns to our "Noun Town."

**Second grade** participated in the Week of Respect spirit week activities. We continued to learn ways to treat each other respectfully through the children's literature, and corresponding language art activities.

**Third graders** are learning about ways to collect and graph data by using picture graphs, bar graphs, and line graphs. Officer Kendall made his first visit to discuss stranger danger and ways to be safe around the community.

**Fourth grade** students are wrapping up Unit 1 in Reading and Language Arts. The students also finished Chapter 2 in math. They are masters at multiplying multi digit numbers by 1 digit numbers! Next chapter they will learn how to multiply two digit numbers by two digit numbers. In science, the students are continuing to learn about the different types of energy!

**Fifth graders** are excited to start writing their Spooky Narratives! They have been doing an excellent job working in groups to go over all of the elements of writing narratives. The best part so far was talking about sensory details. We didn't just get to talk about them, we were able to feel them, smell them, and even taste some of those details! Students are also enjoying learning about figurative language and how using it can make our writings "pop!"

# Kindergarten Indian Acres Farm



## SPECIAL AREAS

### Music

In music this week, all students are learning the “Pass the Pumpkin” song. We are playing a game similar to “hot potato” with a pumpkin and when it lands on you, you get to leave the circle and play an instrument. Students are getting to choose between the maraca, rhythm sticks, hand drum and triangle.



### STEAM



Kindergarten through third grade students continue to study Wassily Kandinski art. They are choosing warm or cool colors to complete a concentric circle. Complete circles will be placed together to decorate our multi-media room.

Fourth and fifth grade students are choosing a Wassily Kandinski project, from the STEAM website, to complete in a small group or independently. Choices involve the following: Engineering Wiggle Bots or Wind Lifts, Ozobot robot color coding adventures, Abstract Art, Concentric Circles, Japanese Marbling and Stop Motion Animation.

### Quest

The fourth and fifth grade classes have been examining their fingerprints this week. They learned how fingerprints are unique, and how they are used in the real world. After using ink to mark their fingerprint, they looked to see if they could match the other fingerprints to the right people in class.



Second and third grade students continue to practice their map skills by creating an accurate map of the QUEST classroom. Kindergarten and first grade classes learned about how certain groups of Native Americans built Totem Poles, and they built their own to take home.





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October 21, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This year the CSS annual Halloween Parade will be held at 1:15 on Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.

The following changes were made with the input of staff and parents:

- All students should bring their costume to school in a clearly labeled bag. No students will be dismissed for costume changes and then permitted to return to participate in the parade or classroom celebrations.
- All costumes and party treats should be sent in with your student in the morning.
- All costumes must be able to fit over your student's clothing. No students can change out of their school clothing into a costume.
- All costumes should be simple and easy for the students to dress themselves, with little assistance. There is no time or assistance available for elaborate make-up or dressing.
- All costumes must be appropriate for school wear:
  - No clowns
  - No weapons
  - No blood
  - No obscenities or derogatory references
  - No political costumes
- Students should be dressed appropriately for the weather
- Administration reserves the right to deny students participation in this school function.

No students are to wear their costume to school for 8:15 AM entrance.

The Charles Street School Halloween Parade will begin at 1:15 PM. Class parties will immediately follow. Only **Room Parents** may assist the teacher during the classroom party. Dismissal will be at 2:30 promptly.

Accommodations will be made for any student who does not wish to participate in the Halloween celebrations. Please notify your child's teacher if they are not permitted to participate in Halloween activities. If your student is not participating and you will be signing them out of school for the afternoon, please do so by 12:45.

There is no rain date or alternate plans in place for community to view our students in the event of foul weather. Cancellations to the parade will be determined that morning.

We hope to make this an enjoyable and safe day for all; thank you in advance for your cooperation. Have a safe Halloween.

Sincerely,

Octavia Lee  
Principal

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## NOTES FROM THE NURSE....

- > Please have a change of clothes labeled and in your student's book bag.
- > Please update vaccines and submit to school; any questions call the nurse at 856 786-9300 x2004
- > All prekindergarten students are required by the State of New Jersey to have a flu shot by January 1, 2023! Please provide proof of flu vaccination to the nurse.
- > Please make sure all students have a water bottle and it is clearly labeled with your student's name.



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS....

**October 24—28 Red Ribbon Week**

**PTA Sponsored Scholastic Book Fair**

**October 26 12:45 Dismissal / Staff In-service**

**October 27 Preschool Back to School Night - 6:00**

**October 28 PTA Sponsored Pumpkin Fest / Family Night @ the Book Fair**

**October 31 Charles Street School Annual Halloween Parade and Classroom Parties—1:15**

**November 2 Preschool School Pictures  
Picture Retake Day for K thru 5**

**November 8 End of Marking Period**

**November 10 - 11 School closed - NJEA Convention**

**November 16 Report Cards published in Oncourse**

**November 17 - 23 12:45 Dismissal**

**November 17 - Parent/Teacher Conferences 6:00-8:00**

**November 18 - Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:00 - 3:00**

**November 21 - Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:00 - 3:00**

**November 22 - Parent Teacher Conferences 1:00 - 3:00**

**November 23 - 12:45 Dismissal Thanksgiving Break**

**November 24-25 No School - Thanksgiving Break**

# P.T.A.

Scholastic Book Fair  
October 24th thru 28th

**Hey Parents!**  
There's an easy, cashless way for your kids to shop the Fair—friends and family can add dollars, too! Set up their eWallet at [scholastic.com/fair](http://scholastic.com/fair)

**Color me!**

**BOOK FAIR**  
**Bolder. Prouder. Stronger. Reader.**

**Includes stickers!**

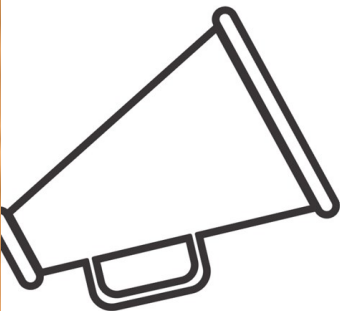
**New Series!**

Book Title	Price
PIG the Rebel!	Exclusive Paperback \$7.99
MISS QUINCES	\$12.99
THE INFLATABLES	\$6.99
I COLOR MYSELF DIFFERENT	Exclusive Paperback \$8.99
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG	Special Price \$12.99
MEET MARIO!	\$5.99
AMARI	\$8.99
FGTEEV	Special-Price Paperback \$12.99
Rosie's Story	\$7.99

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to Nov. 5**



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ADDED CSS  
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