



**St. Patrick School  
320 Fairview Drive  
Brantford, ON**

Dear St. Patrick School Families,

The St. Patrick Halloween Committee is pleased to present our annual **FAMILY PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST**. Each family is invited to carve a pumpkin at home and bring it for display on **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31st**. We ask that only **ONE** pumpkin be submitted by each family. Each pumpkin will be assigned a number and it will be placed on display. Each class will visit the display throughout the day and staff and students will have the opportunity to vote for their top **3** choices. We invite visitors to come and see our pumpkins and cast their vote as well. The pumpkins will be judged in the following three categories: **Most Creative; Funniest; and Scariest**. **Please note that pumpkins depicting violence will not be placed on the display.**

If your family wishes to enter our contest, please bring your pumpkin to school on **Tuesday, October 31st<sup>th</sup> between 7:00 and 9:00 a.m.** If your child attends the before school program you may bring it then. We ask that you please pick up your pumpkin at the end of the day. We will tally all votes and announce the three winners by the end of the day at **2:45 p.m.**

We hope that you have the opportunity to participate in our contest and that your family has many exciting and fun moments collaborating and creating together!

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31st, 2023 SCHEDULE**

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| 7:00 to 9:00 a.m. | - family pumpkins arrive and are put on display  |
| 9:00 to 9:30      | - Halloween Parade outside and visit to the Education Centre. Apples will be available for sale at the end of the parade for "Crunch Day" for Brant Food for Thought. Any donations are welcome. |
| 9:30 to 10:25     | - Classroom activities and Dance for JK-Grade 3 (9:45 - 10:25 a.m.)  |
| 10:25 to 11:05    | <b>NUTRITION BREAK</b>   |
| 11:10 to 12:45    | - Class Rotation Activities  |
| 12:45 to 1:25     | <b>NUTRITION BREAK</b>   |
| 1:30 to 2:15      | -Dance for Grades 4 to 8.  |
| 1:30 to 3:05      | - Sweets/Treats (must be nut safe and store bought)/Movies in classrooms.  |



# **Halloween at St. Patrick School!**

**We look forward to celebrating Halloween with your child(ren) on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. This year we are inviting all students to dress in a costume or wear orange, black and/or purple.**

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

- **students should come DRESSED to school with all appropriate make up (etc.) for their costumes.**
- **students should bring their regular clothing for the afternoon – especially if their costumes are warm, fancy, and/or uncomfortable.**
- **all costumes must be appropriate and adhere to all safety guidelines.**
- **props such as guns, knives, swords, etc. are not permitted at school, even if they are part of the costume.**
- **masks may be brought to school but can only be worn during the Halloween walk.**
- **clothing should be appropriate length and style.**
- **students need to still dress for the weather – don't forget coats, outdoor shoes, and tights if wearing shorts or skirts as their costume.**

**We urge parents to review their child's costume for appropriateness as we do uphold Catholic values every day of the school year including Halloween Day. If we deem a costume as highly inappropriate then students will be asked to change into their regular clothing or wear a school jersey. We wish you a very Happy Halloween and we hope you enjoy this special time with family and friends.**

