

October 8, 2009



Dear Fourth Grade Parents,

It's SMART Auction time! Next Friday evening the **Family Auction Night** will be held here at the school. It is a great evening to build and renew friendships, and also raise funds for the school endowment fund and capital improvements fund. I hope to see many of you here that evening!!

Another great evening is planned for **Saturday, the 24th of October**, when we all gather at **The Red Lion Hotel** for the **Gala Dinner and Auction**. The fourth grade "Happiness Is..." quilt will be up for auction on Saturday evening. Each child worked hard last spring to design a square depicting what happiness is to him/her. It would make a fun and practical keepsake for any fourth grader and his/her family. I look forward to seeing many of you there. Remember, we are investing in our children's (in my case grandchildren's) future by supporting the school that strives to give them the very best education possible.

The first **book report** of the year is due next **Thursday, the 15th of October**. All the students have finished at least one AR book and will be using that book as the source of this report. The art piece of the report (a bookmark) and the report itself will be completed at home. An outline for the book report was given out today along with a sample report. The students also viewed a power point presentation of a book report I wrote on Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing. I have urged the students to begin this weekend and to be good time managers.



Some of you may be wondering how we celebrate **Halloween** in 4th grade. Although we do not parade with the primary students, we do make a great audience for the parade! Fourth graders may dress in costume after lunch on **Wednesday, the 28th**. The last hour of the day we will have a little party and watch "The Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown."

Reminder: You are always welcome to come have lunch with your child. Please check in at the office first before coming over to the multipurpose room in the Parish Center. Fourth graders eat from 12:00 - 12:25 .

Passport maps for October went home on the 6th. Check Day will be on the 27th of this month. Would you like to be a passport checker??? We are in need of parents or grandparents who could come once a month to test the students K – 5 on their countries. A training session will be held. Just let me know if you are interested.

Have a great autumn week!

Fondly,

Mrs. Joan Joanis

