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October Calendar

- **PTA** Meeting Oct. 9, 9:15 Cafeteria
- NO SCHOOL -Mon. and Tues. Oct. 13 & 14
- Fall Festival -Friday, Oct. 17 -6:00 - 8:00 P.M.
- Parent Visitation Day -Tue. Oct. 21
- Race for Education -Wed. Oct. 22
- Photo Re-takes -Tues. Oct. 28
- Fall Parade Fri. Oct. 31 - 2:00 P.M.

Principal's News

Dear Liberty Bell Families,

On behalf of the faculty here at Liberty Bell, I would like to thank everyone for a wonderful opening of school. We are always appreciative of everything parents do to help us start off a new year.

The annual Fall Parade will be held on Friday, October 31, at 2:00 P.M. Please remember any costumes depicting violent behaviors or with weapons will not be allowed. This is a fun Liberty Bell tradition and it is important to abide by these rules for it is difficult for the children when they are told they cannot wear an inappropriate costume. We are looking forward to this event and are hoping for beautiful weather.

We will be celebrating Fire Prevention on Friday, October 10, with the Coopersburg Fire Company. We are very fortunate to have our local fire station visit us each year to review fire safety here in the school as well as in the home. Please review the handouts with your child and review your family plan in case there ever is a fire in the home. Being proactive and preventive makes all the difference!

Parent Visitation Day for Liberty Bell is also in October. This year it will be held on Tuesday, October 21. You are welcome to visit our school for any part of the day between 9:15 A.M. and 11:15 A.M. and 1:30 P.M. and 3:00 P.M. We cannot offer visitation during lunch hours due to our limited space. We are very proud of our school and hope you can make arrangements to share a learning experience with your children in

the classrooms.

Blow the dust off those running shoes...Liberty Bell's 3rd Annual Race for Education is coming. This year our race will be on Wednesday, October 22. More details will be coming home regarding times for each grade level. This year we are raising funds for a new school sign out by Liberty and Oxford Streets. The sign will be able to display messages to keep everyone informed about all the good things going on here at Liberty Bell. As always, thank you for supporting this awesome fundraiser!

As a safety reminder, please remember when you are picking up your child at the end of the day to use the only crosswalk from the parking lot to the building. Some parents are continuing to cross between or behind the buses and this is very dangerous.

***PLEASE NOTE: NO SCHOOL MONDAY AND TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH AND 14TH DUE TO TEACHER **INSERVICE DAYS!**

Finally, as the weather begins to change, please remember to send a jacket or sweatshirt along with your child to school. Even if the weather seems fine in the A.M., the wind sometimes picks up and some of our students are running around in short sleeves in cool weather during recess.

Have a great month and enjoy the beautiful colors of the season!

Samuel G. Hafner Principal

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News from the PTA

October brings changing weather, cooler shorter days, falling leaves and of course PUMPKINS! Please join us for our annual Fall Festival on Friday October 17th 6-8pm. Our committee is hard at work planning a fun filled evening with a costume contest, a pumpkin carving contest, games, food, trick or treat hallway.....and new this year a Photo Booth. Get a wonderful picture memory to take home with you that night! Most importantly we need great volunteers like you....please sign up for a shift or two, or donate a raffle basket. Come out for some Halloween fun!

We are now one month into school and things are starting to roll! A BIG thank you to all the Liberty Bell families for submitting over 1350 labels. These mailings were sent out this week. We hope it gets us closer to our goal of a new sign at the entrance of our property.

Thank you to all our parent volunteers (over 15) who donated their time to get the Race for Education mailers ready!

The students are participating in the Race for Education on Wednesday October 22nd. We invite all parents to come out and support your children by walking with them, or cheering them on! Race times are as follows: AM Kindergarten/1st Grade 9:30-10:30 A.M.; 2nd Grade 10:45-11:45 A.M.; PM Kindergarten/3rd Grade 2:00-3:00 P.M. More details of race day will be sent home in a special newsletter in the next few weeks.

The Giant A+ program begins this month. If you shop at Giant Food stores and have a Giant bonus card, please visit their website at <u>www.giantfoodstores.com/aplus</u> and designate Liberty Bell (ID# 03405) as your school, or one of your schools. A percentage of everything you spend comes back to Liberty Bell.

Once again, we invite you to join us on Thursday, October 9th at 9:15 A.M. in the cafeteria for our monthly PTA meeting. Please come and get involved. We value your input and ideas.

Happy October!

PTA Meeting Schedule

October 9th November 13th December (NO MEETING) January 8th February 12th March 12th April 9th May 14th

All meetings held in the Liberty Bell cafeteria at 9:15 A.M.

Deadline for the November newsletter is October 24.

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