

November, 2017

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

The month of October provided several impressive events that supported many of our school community traditions.

The Nassau Volunteer Fire Department spent the day at our school on October 12<sup>th</sup>. They gave our students another thorough presentation regarding fire safety in the home and safety equipment they utilize to help citizens in our community. The boys and girls had the opportunity to tour the various trucks. Our PTO provided coffee and lunch for the fire department.

I want to thank Amy Sparaina for setting up our author visit for our students in grades one, two, and three. We had author Dan Harper, joined by Truman the therapy dog, read his book "Sit, Truman" and answer student questions. We invited our second and third grade students as they have had the opportunity to read this book to Truman when they were in first grade.

We had great weather for our annual Halloween Parade. We had the opportunity to walk around the village with our police escort provided by the Village of Nassau police department. We appreciate the support from the Village of Nassau police department, our school safety team, parent volunteers, and members of the Columbia High School Band. I continue to enjoy seeing all of the boys and girls in their costumes as well as the community enjoying our parade. Many of our DPS alumni were in the band that played for the parade. They did an exceptional job and have grown up so much! It was a great way to close out the month!

During the month of November, our first marking period will come to a close on the 8<sup>th</sup>. Our Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for the afternoons and evenings of November 16<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. These conferences are scheduled to be an exchange of ideas about your child's achievement, experiences, activities and learning habits. I encourage each of you to meet with your child's teacher to discuss his/her school program.

Here is a list of events taking place at D.P.S. during the month of November:

8 <sup>th</sup> :	End of Marking Period
9 <sup>th</sup> :	Character Education/Veterans Day Assembly @ 2:15
10 <sup>th</sup> :	Veterans Day (No School)
14 <sup>th</sup> :	PTO Meeting @ 6:30
15 <sup>th</sup> :	Report Cards Go Home
16 <sup>th</sup> :	½ Day of School (Parent-Teacher Conferences)
22 <sup>nd</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup> :	Thanksgiving Recess
29 <sup>th</sup> :	½ day of School (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

Have a great November and Thanksgiving celebration!

Mr. Alvey