

The page is decorated with various autumn-themed illustrations. At the top, there are clusters of orange and red leaves, a branch with yellow-green leaves, and two acorns. On the right side, there is a bunch of orange berries and a single orange leaf. On the left side, there are purple berries and a yellow leaf. At the bottom, there are more yellow leaves, a branch with brown leaves, and a bunch of purple berries.

Maple Creek Public School's

# **FALL FEST**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2023

Colouring

Snacks to Buy

Games Room

Maple Creek is very excited to celebrate our **Fall Fest**, where students can work on building community, learn about one another's traditions, and celebrate a successful start to the year.

There will be **music in the gym**, with options to participate in the **games room**, or **artistic explorations** like colouring, origami and more.

Students are encouraged to wear fall colours or a costume that adheres to the school guidelines.  
(see guidelines attachment).

We will be accepting donations for the local food bank all week.

## Fall Fest/Hallowe'en Guidelines

On October 31, 2023, students may choose to wear Fall colours such as red, orange, yellow, and brown in order to show enthusiasm for our Fall Fest. Students may also choose to wear a costume for Hallowe'en on this date.

*If they choose to wear a costume,* please ensure the following guidelines are followed:

- students are not to wear costume masks or bring in toy weapons
- in the spirit of Truth and Reconciliation, it is important that costumes do not trivialize and devalue the lives of Indigenous peoples in Canada.
- costumes should be respectful of others. Symbols or objects representative of a person's culture or religious beliefs should not be worn as another person's costume, nor should costumes that caricature social identities through stereotyping.

Hallowe'en brings memories of dress-up parades, costume competitions, and classroom parties for some members of our community, and carries a very different meaning for others. It is important for us to recognize that not all families celebrate and participate in Hallowe'en. The reasons for not participating may include cultural beliefs, faith, socioeconomic status, and personal reasons.

Thank you for helping to make Maple Creek Public School an inclusive place where every student feels like they matter and belong.

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Principal

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Vice Principal