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Important Dates

10/17, 10/18, 10/22 Parent conferences. Sign up here [Parent Conferences](#)

10/19: NO SCHOOL

10/22: NO SCHOOL

Willow Creek Community

The **campus work party** was a huge success. Thank you to all the families who help make our school beautiful.

Halloween Please review the following guidelines for middle school.

- Students may bring a costume that they can put on over their uniform and do so after lunch only. They may NOT use the restroom to change.
- We will have an all Middle School celebration in the courtyard after lunch until 2pm dismissal.
- No horrifying, bloody, terrifying costumes or props are allowed.
- Any student who does not celebrate Halloween may spend the time in Room 20 with Ms. Rizzo doing some, as yet undetermined, low key, fun type activity.

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Curriculum Corner

Humanities

Hello Families!

Students completed their novel, *Boy of the Painted Cave* just as we are moving on to the earliest civilizations. Please encourage your student to read a novel of their choice on their own time. They should be reading one book on their own each week in addition to homework reading. The more they read the better.

We tried to weave baskets out of pine needles and raffia this week with varying degrees of success. The goal was not to create a perfect basket but rather to understand how hard life was in Neolithic times when people had to make everything they used.

Ms. Rizzo

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Math/Science

Hi Families!

This week we've continued looking at common factors when we're reducing fractions, as well as finding equivalent fractions. We're starting to get into looking at portions of a whole as a ratio, fractions, percents, and decimals. When you're out at the grocery store, or cooking dinner, work with your students on converting back and forth. For example, if a recipe is $\frac{1}{2}$ cup flour, ask your students, if $\frac{1}{2}$ was a percent, what percent would it be?

During science we've looked at healthy meals, how our bodies process food, and how we start the digestion process in our mouths! We're moving into the nervous and endocrine systems next week, so be sure to ask your students about them!

Best,
Ms. Lindsey

Pictures from Math and Science

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Pictures from ELA/Social Studies



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