Good afternoon!

Upcoming Events:

- 10/17-10/18 Boys Bball Tryouts
- 10/18-10/19 Girls Bball Tryouts 5:30-7
- Thursday, 10/19 PTA Hacienda Giveback
- Friday, 10/20 Breakfast with Mummy
- Friday, 10/20 Planetarium Field Trip
- Saturday 10/21 Trunk-or-Treat

Macaroni Kid Voting

Please consider going to this link and voting for West Terrace:

https://evansville.macaronikid.com/articles/59d5340a7c45b52d9802e59e/voting-is-now-open-for -the-2017-azzip-pizza-gold-daisy-school-awards

We were in 2nd place as of this afternoon behind Highland, and Cynthia Heights is right behind us! You can vote once per day per email address. The winning school receives \$150 for the PTA! Voting ends next Wednesday, 10/25.

Red Ribbon Week

The themes for Red Ribbon Week have been announced for next week. As usual, students may dress up on as many (or as few) days as they want. They are:

Monday, 10/23: "My Future is Bright" **wear college clothing or dress up as future career Tuesday, 10/24: "Give Drugs the Boot" **wear boots Wednesday, 10/25: "United We Stand Against Bullying" **wear orange Thursday, 10/26: Team Up Against Drugs & Bullying **wear a team shirt or jersey Friday, 10/27: My Character Counts **dress as your favorite book character

Report Cards

Report cards will be sent home tomorrow!

<u>Yearbooks</u>

There were not enough Yearbook order forms for 5th grade, but the forms will be sent home as soon as we receive them. They also planned to send out an online ordering option soon.

Planetarium Field Trip

Please have your child return the Planetarium field trip money and form ASAP. If your child has misplaced their form, you can print another here:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rq_qqDY9E9DVRsWIZtwEo1tEpxXZ12gX19sNZNgeWaU/ /edit?usp=sharing

Please note that our lunch will be a bit later than normal that day. It will be at 11:20 instead of 11:00.

If you have not already joined PTA, please join! Another form went home with students yesterday.

PTA Events

1. Breakfast with Mummies is this Friday from 7:00 am- 8:15 am. We can't wait to see you! PTA is still looking for dad volunteers to help serve the mummies if you're available, please let us know.

2. It's NOT TOO LATE to enter YOUR trunk into our Trunk or Treat on Saturday. We have 16 cars entered and have space for several more. Throw an idea together and come on out!! If you can't sponsor a car, bring your children to trick or treat! It's going to be SO much fun!! We have several staff cars that will be here, and a number of families participating. We can't wait to see you! Saturday, October 21 from noon to 3 pm. Contact Holly Wildt at hwildt82@gmail.com or call 812.453.8876 The event is free but there will be concessions available

3. Finally, Goebel Farms Give Back Night is also on Sat., 10/21 from 7-10 pm after our Trunk or Treat event. PTA will get 20% back from everyone who mentions West Terrace when they go that night. Cost is \$9 for children 3-12, \$10 for those 13 and over. Includes use of their campfires to roast hot dogs and/or s'mores, you can bring your own supplies or purchase packages they have there, use of the barn slide, unlimited use of the corn mazes, and a hayride. Pumpkins aren't included, but those can be purchased.

<u>Math</u>

In Math, we just started our new unit Monday. This unit will focus on Area and Volume. In this unit, students are expected to be able to

- calculate the area of a rectangle using whole number side lengths.
- find the area of a triangle, parallelogram, and trapezoid when given the formula. (Later in the school year, students will be expected to find area using fraction or decimal side lengths.)
- find the area of a complex shape.
- find the volume of a rectangular prism both by (1) counting cubes and by (2) multiplying the side length using the formula. (Counting cubes can be difficult for some students because of the ones that can't be seen.)

The students do not have to memorize the formulas, and will be given a formula reference sheet for the assessment.

The assessment for these skills will be <u>Thursday, November 2</u>. The <u>www.nanceninjas.weebly.com</u> page has been updated. Please use it at home for more detailed explanations, tutorials, links, examples, etc!

<u>Science</u>

In Science, we just started our new Physical Science unit. It will focus on the physical properties of objects. We have spent a few days using graduated cylinder to measure the volume of various objects using the displacement of water method. (There are some pictures up on the website of the students working!)

Social Studies

We just started our new Social Studies unit. The focus is on European Explorers. Although this unit is several weeks long, there are two main questions students should be able to answer by the end: (1) Why did the Europeans explore new lands? (2) What effect did these explorations have on the natives living in these areas? We will discuss specific explorers, routes, dates, etc., but these are not as important as the overarching ideas. The NanceNinjas.com website has links up for students to use for this unit.