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- **MS. ANGIE'S CORNER:** Greetings and salutations to all my children and their families. Thank you one and all for your contributions of time, creativity, and items for our very fun **Spooktacular Extravaganza!** The party's success shone through in our children's ear-to-ear smiles! Our little goblins enjoyed the festive parade, delicious treats and fun activities! Special thanks to all my **DECORATING VOLUNTEERS: Ms. Lindsey Ares, Ms. Cynthia Crim, Ms. Jena Hudson, and Ms. Rachel Monzon.** Thanks to the **Housner Family** and the **Cremata Family** for providing the fresh pumpkins. I wish I could mention every single family by name but the newsletter would be too long, so let me say from the bottom of my heart: **THANK YOU TO ALL MY RMS CHILDREN & FAMILIES** for bringing in all the delicious Halloween treats, pumpkins decorations, and goodies for our parties. The children are so happy and so grateful ... Have a safe and happy Halloween! 
- **HAPPY DIWALI!** Ms. Rohini and Ms. Trupti shared with us the beautiful "festival of lights" celebrated during this fall season in India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Trinidad, Singapore, and other countries. The tradition is to light small clay lamps, or "diyas" filled with oil to signify the triumph of good over evil. To all of our families celebrating Diwali, the Rustogi Family and all of us at RMS wish you happiness and prosperity on Diwali and always!
- **WE'VE GOT RHYTHM:** Mr. Gene's Music Class sang "Skin and Bones", and learned about the instruments of the week tympani (kettledrum), cymbals and xylophone (all of the percussion family). The children especially loved the grand finale, their impressive performance of the "Skeleton Dance".
- **ART CLASS:** The children sketched colorful flowers and then overlaid them with vibrant tissue that turned into stunning pieces which look like stained glass! Thanks to **Suzanne Rockenbach, Jackson's mom, Julie Petersen, Samantha's mom, and Lindsey Ares, Aidan's mom** – our special Art Volunteers. Thank you so much for sharing your time and love for children with our RMS family! We love our Volunteers!
- **WHERE'S MY ART?":** We are starting to collect our children's beautiful masterpieces for our Spring Art Exhibit. So when you don't see their works coming home, don't be alarmed ... They're in good hands!
- **TRIKE-A-THON:** Our Annual **Trike-A-Thon** is on **Friday, Nov. 11th**. Children will bring their tricycle, bicycle or scooter and a **helmet** and ride in our front parking lot for our friend **Riley Morey**. She is battling the blood cancer, leukemia. This deadly disease accounts for 25% of all childhood cancers and affects 2,200 U.S. children each year. Riley's family needs our assistance to help them through this horrific time in their lives. Please give what you can. Checks can be made out directly to **Riley Morey** or to the **Leukemia and Lymphoma Society for Riley Morey**.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES: Special thanks to all our parents for joining us

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for the **Parent-Teacher Conferences!** Please arrive to your conference on time, for the allotted **15 minute conference!**

- **WHAT'S COMING UP:** Themes for November are: Give Thanks, Democracy in Action, Food for Our Health, and On the Farm. Artist of the Month is **Lascaux**, and Composer is **Pyotr Tchaikovsky**. Our very special **Fall For Y'All Family Brunch and Concert is Nov. 21st**.
- **LE CHATEAU CATERED STAFF LUNCHEON:** A very special thanks to **Izabella** and the **Ruiz Family** for the delicious catered luncheon for the teachers and the yummy chocolate chip cookies for all the children. That was incredibly generous.
- **A NOTE OF THANKS:** Thanks to **Jackson** and the **Rockenbach Family** for the homemade apple pie for the teachers. Thanks to **Michael** and the **Oliveira Family** for the special Belgian chocolate cookies for the teachers. Thanks to **Dr. and Mrs. Rustogi Family** for the sweet Diwali treats for the teachers. Thanks again to all the children and their families! We love our RMS Families!
- **HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Best wishes to our little Montessorian: **Aidan Pogribnichenko!** And a very special birthday wish goes out to our very own **Dr. Hemant Rustogi!** Hope your day is as special as you!
- **CRAZY SOCK DAY on MON., OCTOBER 31st:** Wear **crazy socks** with your uniform for Halloween!