What a great day Saturday was at the Salem Scramble! Almost 500 children from grades 1-8 pushed themselves to complete a very challenging obstacle course. An event like this takes a village, and this case a whole school community! We thank Mr. George Murray, Fisk Principal, for taking the helm on this again, and to the many volunteers from each elementary school who helped out. Even our high school students were a part of this great event.

Watch for school pictures from CLIXto go home with your child this week. Retakes, absentees, and new friends will be photographed on Friday. Also, I have several package offers given to us by CLIX for families for whom purchasing package plans would be a hardship. I appreciate their generosity and compassion. I am also looking for feedback when you get the photos, especially those who have had Geskus photos in the past. Please shoot me an email at jwilkins@sau57.org

We are excited to have enough students, volunteers, and coaches for 3 Lego First teams representing North Salem!! Meetings begin this Wednesday and Thursday. A special thank you to Amy Chartrain, Michelle Chisholm, and Jane Maynard for giving of your time to make this club happen for our students! Meetings will be in the library.

Harvestfest is coming up fast - on October 13th. One of the most popular (and spooky) events is our Haunted Hallway. Under Rhode Hill's direction and planning, our students and adults are loving being scared silly! Rhode is in need of donations as listed below. If you can help out, please contact him at rhode@srhodehill.com

Drop Cloths or Tarps. Preferably old ones. As many as I can get!

Any unused or extra building lumber people might have - i.e. 2x4s of at least 5’.

PVC pipe of at least 5’ (Preferably 1” diameter)

Any Halloween props or decorations that we could use for the night. We would need them to be brought to the school the afternoon/evening before

If people would like to donate a couple of bags of spiderwebs each (I need a BUNCH of them!)

Lastly, if anyone has a couple of gopro cameras we could set up in the house to record the evening, that would be awesome too!

Our Harvestfest planning team also needs help selling Spiritwear in the gym. Please consider taking a shift by signing up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d49a4a92ba5fe3-harvest

Please make sure you and your children are aware of the weather and have them dress accordingly. We go outside most days, even when it is drizzling.

PLEASE DROP YOUR CHILD OFF BY 8:45 at the LATEST!

FYI - there is NO SCHOOL on Monday, Columbus Day.

This week we will practice another safety drill - evacuating from the cafeteria. No alarms will be used as this is the first time we will practice leaving from this room.

Do you know that SHS offers students who are interested in possibly pursuing a career in education the opportunity to intern? We have several students - Alexis in a classroom, Molly learning about OT, and Ellen learning what a school counselor does. Through courses offered by CTE, students can actually earn college credits from Southern New Hampshire!

Stay up to date with your child's school, classroom and community happenings by checking out our web site and classroom sites at www.sau57.org/northsalem.

Have a great week, and an even better long weekend. I'm looking forward to it.

Janice