

October 25-29, 2021

Halloween at Aurora!

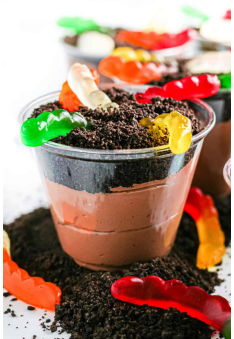
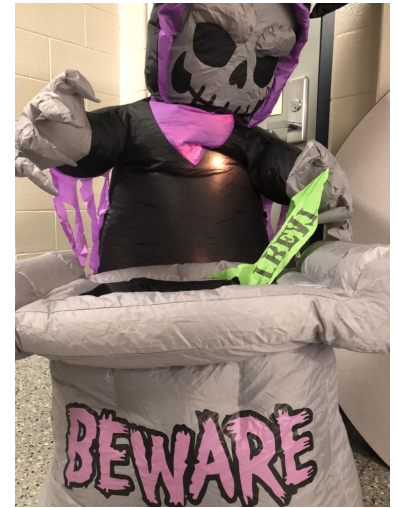
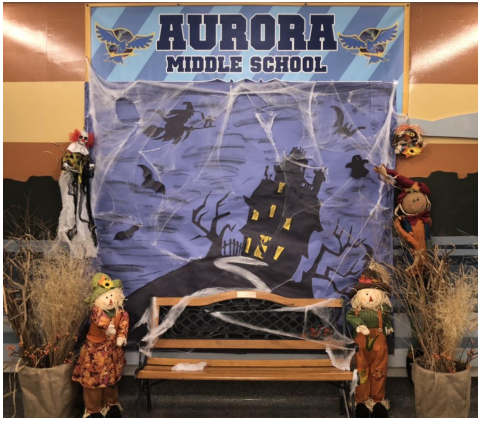
October 28th -- Our School Resource Officers (SROs) will be visiting the classes with Halloween Trick-or-Treating Safety Tips and supplies

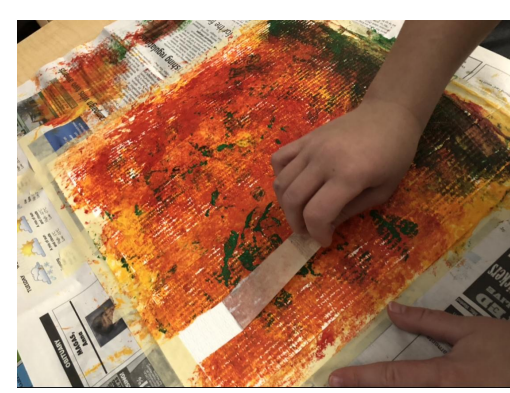
October 29th -- Pumpkin Carving Contest, Worms-and-Dirt Treat, and Halloween Costume Prizes!

Students can dress up in costumes on **Friday October 29th** and participate in the **Costume Contest**. We will have prizes for some of the best and most inventive costumes in each grade level. **No Halloween masks** please! The only masks permitted are our COVID-safe AHS approved face coverings. Also -- **no items appearing to look like weapons are permitted** (no matter how much they might look like a toy).

Students can enter the **Pumpkin Carving Contest** by bringing a student-carved Jack-o-Lantern to the cafeteria on the morning of Friday Oct 29. (Please do not bring them before Friday) Students must leave their entry labelled with student name and homeroom in case your entry wins a prize! Any pumpkins not taken home at the end of day will be thrown out. The homeroom that brings in the most carved jack-o-lanterns get to choose from a plethora of costumes and supplies to decorate their administrators! Mr. Donovan and Ms. Franke will compete for best decorated principal, though the prize is bragging rights only.

Throughout the day Friday, homerooms will take a class-cohorted pumpkin walk and receive a **Worms-and-Dirt** treat as served by parent volunteers (masked and gloved) in the cafeteria. Worms-and-Dirt is a chocolate pudding with cookie crumbs and gummy worms. Parents can contact sfortier02@gmail.com if you can volunteer that day for at least 45 minutes between 9:30am and 2:45pm and must follow all enhanced measures at the school.





Fall Artwork at Aurora! Students in 4B used construction paper paper, newspaper, tape, and a variety of fall coloured paints to create these masterpieces!



Thank you for your support! Our school is a better place for kids because of the generous support of local individuals, organizations, and businesses. We are thankful for the many parents and community members who have been donating old small engines for our shop program, as students explore hands-on learning. Special thanks to **Full Tilt Powersports** who dropped off six quads to work on! We also want to thank **Sand Springs Ranch** for supporting our APPLE Schools program with donations of fresh carrots for healthy snacks for kids, and for offering to run a vegetable-sales fundraiser to support the Fruit Bins program! Parents will receive a letter with more information later this week!



\$2,000 Grant for our school

We are excited to announce that we are one of 25 schools across Canada that have been awarded the 2021, \$2,000 BOKS Canada grant to help overcome barriers to participation.

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Thank you to our APPLE Schools Coordinator Colleen Moghrabi who successfully lobbied for the BOKS Canada grant. In partnership with the Reebok Canada Fitness Foundation, this grant funding is intended to empower local under-served schools to promote equitable access and inspiration to get kids moving more often, and [Aurora Middle School was chosen as one of 30 schools across the country](#). Aurora will use this to supplement our recess bins to keep kids active throughout the day!

Important Date! Please note that there is **no school** on Monday, November 1, as all NLPS staff attend our system-wide PD event. Have a safe and happy Halloween!

PAC Meetings: For those parents who can't attend our monthly PAC meetings, we will be posting minutes and next meeting's agenda on our website. Our future dates for BINGO worker days in 2021-2 are: **Nov 25, Dec 19, Jan 21, Feb 18, Apr 28, May 15, June 26, & Aug 27!** At this time, there is no concession available due to provincial restrictions. The shift runs from 5pm to about 9pm and we require three people to work the shift. Please call or text our amazing and hard-working BINGO Fundraising parent volunteer coordinator Joyce Cloutier at (780) 623-8203 if you are able to volunteer. Our next PAC Meeting is Wednesday Nov 17 at 6:30pm via [Google Meet](#) and in-person at the school !