

Pioneer School Press

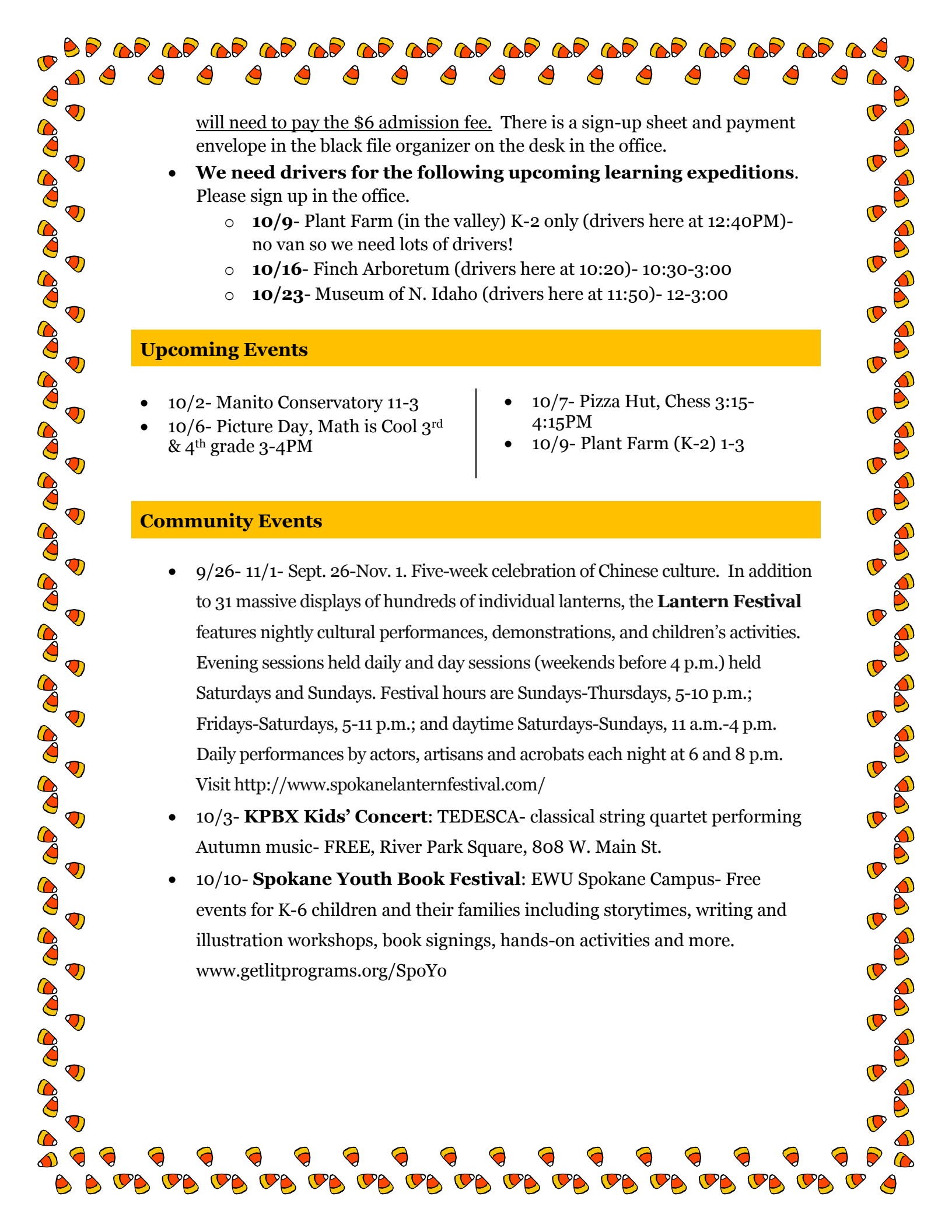


Weekly News: October 1, 2015

- Our Scholars and Pioneers had an amazing trip to **Mount Rainier!** We hope you had a chance to check out the pictures on our Facebook group. Thank you to everyone to helped make the trip possible.
- **Computer Coding Class K-2** after school on Tuesdays 11/9-12/14 (same time as Math is Cool for 3rd-4th). Limited to first 12 K-2 students that sign up.
- **Please do not drop your children off before 8:15AM.** There is no adult supervision before that time.
- We know that it is more convenient for parents to only drive their own kids or kids in their neighborhood, but if at all possible we ask that you **please be open to driving other children on learning expeditions** if you have room in your car. It takes a village to provide all of the wonderful, hands-on experiences that make learning at Pioneer so exciting and authentic. **Thank you!**
- **We are looking for a parent to help us capture/organize all of the wonderful photos you guys take throughout the year.** This is a job that can be done from home. If you are able to help, please let us know.
- Our September PACE character trait was **Responsibility.** **Congratulations** to the following students who did an exemplary job of demonstrating this trait- Sam Thompson (Pups), Sabrina Downey (Pathfinders), Marlowe Miller (Explorers), Alisha Pabby (Scholars), and Emily Wartinger (Pioneers).
- **Class t-shirts** went home this week. Please have your child wear their shirt on all learning expeditions. To extend their life wash them inside out in cold water and air dry.

In the Spotlight

- **October is Fire Safety Month.** It's a good time to make sure your family has a fire escape plan and to check the batteries in your smoke alarms. The Explorers will have visitors from the fire department on the 13th and the Scholars will experience the Smoke House on the 22nd.
- **On October 30th** we will be celebrating the end of the trees and plants topic with a learning expedition to Water's Fruit Ranch in Greenbluff. (10:30-2). Siblings are welcome. Pioneer students and chaperones who drive other students both ways will be paid for by Pioneer. All other adults and siblings



will need to pay the \$6 admission fee. There is a sign-up sheet and payment envelope in the black file organizer on the desk in the office.

- **We need drivers for the following upcoming learning expeditions.**

Please sign up in the office.

- **10/9-** Plant Farm (in the valley) K-2 only (drivers here at 12:40PM)- no van so we need lots of drivers!
- **10/16-** Finch Arboretum (drivers here at 10:20)- 10:30-3:00
- **10/23-** Museum of N. Idaho (drivers here at 11:50)- 12-3:00

Upcoming Events

- 10/2- Manito Conservatory 11-3
- 10/6- Picture Day, Math is Cool 3rd & 4th grade 3-4PM
- 10/7- Pizza Hut, Chess 3:15-4:15PM
- 10/9- Plant Farm (K-2) 1-3

Community Events

- 9/26- 11/1- Sept. 26-Nov. 1. Five-week celebration of Chinese culture. In addition to 31 massive displays of hundreds of individual lanterns, the **Lantern Festival** features nightly cultural performances, demonstrations, and children's activities. Evening sessions held daily and day sessions (weekends before 4 p.m.) held Saturdays and Sundays. Festival hours are Sundays-Thursdays, 5-10 p.m.; Fridays-Saturdays, 5-11 p.m.; and daytime Saturdays-Sundays, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Daily performances by actors, artisans and acrobats each night at 6 and 8 p.m. Visit <http://www.spokanelanternfestival.com/>
- 10/3- **KPBX Kids' Concert:** TEDESCA- classical string quartet performing Autumn music- FREE, River Park Square, 808 W. Main St.
- 10/10- **Spokane Youth Book Festival:** EWU Spokane Campus- Free events for K-6 children and their families including storytimes, writing and illustration workshops, book signings, hands-on activities and more. www.getlitprograms.org/SpoYo