

Dear Parents and Guardians,

October 25, 2011

It was wonderful to see so many of you over Scattergood Days. The weather certainly agreed with us and, in all respects; the meals, the games, the play, and the conferences, Scattergood Days shone! It was also very heartening to visit with alums and so many members of last year's graduating class. Their return reminds us of the connections we shared and will continue to share throughout the coming years. Scattergood Days is more than a parent-teacher conference, but a time of reunion where all "Scattergoodians" confer; many thanks to all of you who came and thank you to those who keep in touch through phone conferences and emails. We are fortunate to live in an age where we might connect on so many different levels.

Today, students are taking a much needed day off after Scattergood Days Weekend. Fun activities have been planned, which include carving pumpkins and creating costumes for Trick or Treating this evening. As many of our students will be away in Earlham next weekend playing soccer against our sister school, Olney Friends School, or just cheering the team on, we have decided to have Halloween a week early. Staff will be in their apartments to greet students and hand out treats from 7:30pm – 9:00pm.

Below, please find your student's slip count and current status. A separate letter and slip report will be sent to only those parents and guardians whose student received 8 or more slips, causing them to go down in status. We support students who struggle with time management, completion of homework, and self-sabotaging behaviors. One intervention that we use is the slip system so that students and staff may observe patterns in these areas and address them appropriately. If your student is struggling with slips, please feel free to contact their advisor and/or the Dean of Students.

Upcoming Events:

- **Thanksgiving Break:** is just a few weeks away and our students will be departing campus on November 19-27, 2011. Some of you have already given Beth travel plans for your student and it's appreciated. If you have not yet given Beth the plans of how your student will leave and return to campus (by car, bus, plane) the deadline for Beth to receive this information is November 11, 2011 so that all arrangements can be made for student transportation when they depart from and return to campus. It's especially important that Beth receive an itinerary for any travel by bus or plane. Students may leave on Friday, November 18, 2011, but not before 4:00pm. Before departure they must have received a clean room check and checked out with the Main Office. All students must be off campus by noon on Saturday, November 19, 2011. Students may not return to campus until Sunday, November 27, 2011. On that day they need to be checked in with the Main Office by 6:00pm.
- **Winter Break:** While you're making Thanksgiving break plans you may want to check into travel arrangements for Winter Break, December 17, 2011 – January 8, 2012.



Happy Halloween to all!

Shelley Hughes, Dean of Students

_____ received _____ slips during Term Two and is currently at this status: _____