

October 17, 2012

**Book of the week**

Title: Grandfather's Dance  
By: Patricia MacLachlan

Summary: Sarah, Plain and tall began the Witting family's saga on the prairie. Now the story completes its circle with Grandfather's Dance, Patricia MacLachlan's poetic, celebration about the enduring spirit of family.



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# Mid Week Message

## Board Meeting

Kit Carson's next Board Meeting will be held tonight, Wednesday, October 24th at 6:30 p.m. in the Staff Room. All are welcome to attend.

## PTC News

Kit Carson's PTC would like your email address to send you information to keep you updated. Please email your name, and the names of your student/s and teacher to kceptc@gmail.com

The Thanksgiving Change Drive will begin on Thursday, November 1st. Each classroom will have a jar where change can be deposited. All money is collected and gift certificates from a local store is purchased to give to needed Kit Carson Families for Thanksgiving. If you are a family in need this Thanksgiving, please contact Valerie in the office. All names and families are kept confidential.

The next PTC meeting will be held on Monday, November 5th at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

## NEW Halloween Costume Rules

Due to the safety issues and academic time in the classrooms, new rules for costumes have been put into effect.

- Students Costumes must follow the school dress code
- Students may not bring makeup or hair spray to school
- Students may bring costumes that easily fit over clothing, such as masks, wigs, hats, capes, etc.
- Parts of costume are within dress code may be worn to school.
- Students may not change clothes at school.
- No toy or home-made weapons will be allowed on school campus.



## Minimum Day

Kit Carson's teachers will be in Professional Development on Wednesday, October 24th the 2nd half of the day. Therefore all students will be released at 12:45.

## Trick or Treat for UNICEF

Therefore, all students will be released at 12:45. Along with this mid-week message is a form to sign your child up to Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF. Please take a moment and read to your child the value of participating in "Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF." Kings County collected approximately \$12,000. last year. The good news regarding the number of children under the age of five who pass away each day has dropped. The number has dropped by 4,000 children because they are being vaccinated as needed.



## Red-Ribbon Dress-Up Days

Kit Carson will be celebrating drug awareness by dressing up on October 26th—October 31st. Please support our students. Following are the daily themes.

- Friday: 10/26 –Wear Red Day
- Monday: 10/29– Sock It To Drugs (Crazy Socks)
- Tuesday: 10/30– Team up Against Drugs (Jerseys)
- Wednesday: 10/31– Boo to Drugs





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## Absence & Homework Hotline

Please call if your student is or will be absent from school. The Absence Hotline number is 582-2843— dial 2 to connect to the school, then 2 to report absent (24 hours) and/or request homework.

You may also access this Web Page and other information from the Kit Carson Web Page at:

[www.kitcarsonschool.com](http://www.kitcarsonschool.com)

## Foggy Day Schedule

Parents and students are encouraged to watch Channel 18, listen to radio stations KMJ and KJUG, or call the school at 582-2843 x109 to hear a recorded message regarding the foggy day bus schedule. Because some areas are clear of fog while other areas are foggy, for safety's sake please delay bringing your child to school if heavy fog persists in your area; even if the school did not call a foggy day. The foggy day schedules are as follows:

- PLAN A: Buses are delayed one hour; school starts at 8:20 a.m. Instruction begins at 8:20 a.m.
- PLAN B: Buses are delayed two hours; school starts at 8:20 a.m. Instruction begins at 8:20 a.m.
- PLAN C: Bus runs in the morning are canceled; school starts at 8:20 a.m. Instruction begins at 9:00 a.m.
- PLAN D: Both morning and afternoon bus runs are canceled; school starts at 8:20 a.m. Instruction begins at 8:20 a.m.

When driving the kids to school, please bring them when you feel it is safe for you to drive.

## Office Information

For the safety of our students, ALL parents, grandparents, and guests must check-in the office upon entering the school grounds to sign in and to receive a visitors badge. No matter what the reason is for your visit, every person needs to check in with the office. If you are seen on the grounds without a visitors pass, you will be asked to go to the front office to check in. If you are picking up any student, you must stand in viewing sight of the office staff. Please do not stand in the hallway. For the safety of students and staff, **EVERY VISITOR MUST** check in the office.

Parents are welcome and encouraged to visit the school. Visits should be scheduled with the teacher in advance in order to make the visit as productive as possible. Advanced notice also minimizes disruption to the classroom. In the interest of safety, all visitors must check in at the office upon their arrival on campus and prior to visiting a classroom.



## Pumpkin Pies!

Kit Carson School will again be selling 8" pumpkin pies for Thanksgiving. All participation in selling pies is greatly appreciated. Pies are \$10.00 each. In addition, you can add a can of whipped cream for \$2.00. All orders are due to the office on Wednesday, November 14th. By 3:00 p.m.

A handful of volunteers will be making pies on Tuesday the 20nd beginning at 1:00 in the Kit Carson Cafeteria. Pies will be ready for pickup on Wednesday, the 21st from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Order yours today!**

## Phone Calls



The office receives many phone calls within minutes of the release bell to get students off the bus, on the bus, out of latchkey, to pick up, permission to go home with another parent. It is very hard to get a hold of students so close to the release bell. We would appreciate it if your student could bring a note to school for the office or bus drivers. Should something change where a note can not be brought to school, please call the school by 1:00 p.m. so that the proper people are informed in a timely manner.

## High-Speed Internet Services

King's County Office of Education Information System provides Broadband High-Speed Internet Services for King's County Students, Employees, and KCOE staff. Service is available to accessible areas in the community. For additional information regarding the Broadband High-Speed Internet, please contact the Internet help desk specialist at 559-589-7030. You can also find information on the Kit Carson Web page at [www.kitcarsonschool.com](http://www.kitcarsonschool.com). Applications and information can also be found in the Kit Carson office.