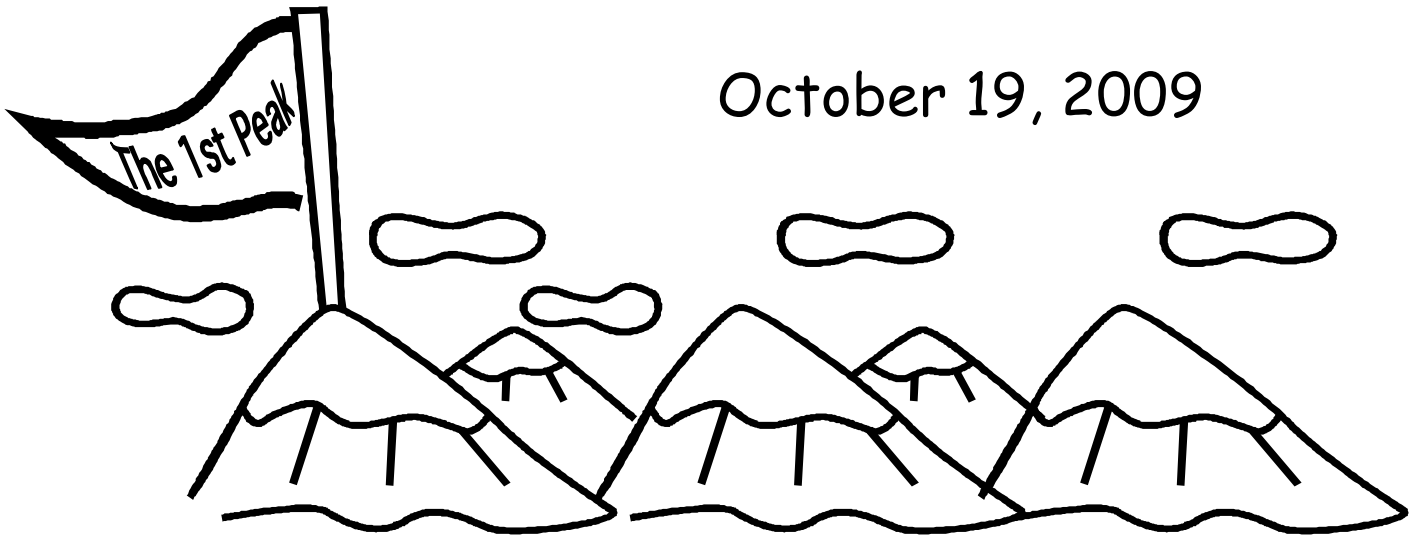


October 19, 2009



Upcoming Dates October

☐ **Week of 19** - Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences

• Spirit Week

Monday 10-26 Career Day (Dress up for what you want to be when you grow up)

Tuesday 10-27 Twin Day (Dress like your friend or friends)

Wednesday 10-28 Sports Day (Wear your favorite team or your favorite sport)

Thursday 10-29 High Peaks Spirit Day (Show your school pride)

Friday 10-30 Halloween Costume Day

• **October 30** - Halloween Party in p.m.

Reading

Great strategies to help your child solve unknown words include:

- using the picture
- looking at the beginning and ending sound
- chunking it (looking for a part within the word that is known such as at, and . . .)



Important Information

- ✓ In your child's backpack today should be a copy of his/her Unit 2 Math assessment.
- ✓ Students are learning to log on to the network. It is helpful if your child knows his/her student number along with the spelling of his/her last name.
- ✓ Science Fair information is on the school web site. Please be sure to check it out!
- ✓ On Halloween, our child may wear his/her Halloween costume to school for the day. Please keep the accessories to a minimum. If the accessories may be easily lost, be keep them at home. No imitation weapons are allowed in the building; thank you!

Human Body News

We are learning all about 5 of the human body systems! Students are working in teams to make life-sized human body books! Ask your child about his/her team book! Last week, we introduced the skeletal system and the muscular system. Ask your child what these two systems do! This week, we will be introducing the digestive system, circulatory system, and nervous system.

Our two BIG ideas are:

- **Parts of a system work together as a team**
- **We create systems to help us understand the world around us.**

Our specific ideas for the systems are:

- **The skeletal system gives our body shape and protects our organs.**
- **The muscular system helps us move.**
- **The digestive system breaks down food and sends nutrients around our bodies.**

