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What's Happening Where for Walk to School Week

October 2, 6p.m. –Walk to School Week celebration begins with a kick-off at Mamaroneck Avenue School's annual family and staff picnic starting at 6 p.m. George Latimer will issue a proclamation for next week's Walk to School Week.

October 1st -- Valerie O'Keeffe issued a proclamation for International Walk to School Day (10/8) at the Town Board Meeting on October 1 at 8:15pm.

Mamaroneck Avenue School

October 6th through 10th -- MAS children will fill out a chart indicating which days they walked, bicycled or carpooled to school. All children who participate will be entered into a raffle. One grand prize winner will receive a new pair of sneakers.

October 6th -- Walking Teachers will join children as they walk to school from Harbor Heights, Heathcote Hill, Washingtonville, and downtown Mamaroneck Avenue. Other teachers will be posted on various corners outside of the school. MAS principal Carrie Amon and assistant principal Alice Borsella will be joining the teachers to greet walkers.

October 6th through 10th -- Walking Coordinators in Harbor Heights, Heathcote Hill, Washingtonville, and downtown Mamaroneck Avenue have made plans of where and what time they will meet to start their journey to school, creating walking school buses.

For more information on how to participate in Mamaroneck Avenue School's Walk to School Week, please contact Sue Odierna at sodierna@optonline.net.

Murray Avenue School

October 7th and 10th -- Parent volunteers will be stationed at 5 spots outside school to hand out giveaways to children who walk or bike.

October 6th through 10th -- Every classroom will have a “Walkers of the Week” poster hanging on the classroom door or in the classroom during WTSW. Every day parent volunteers will hand out a sticker to each child who walks or bikes. Students will affix the stickers to the appropriate daily column on the poster when they get to school, and we will recognize those classes with the most walkers by the day and week.

For details on how to participate in Murray’s Walk to School Week, please contact Sarah Coady at sarahcoady@verizon.net .

Chatsworth Avenue School

October 2nd -- A “density” map of the Chatsworth community has been posted which depicts where our students are clustered. Check out this map in the school to see where you can join a walking school bus.

October 6th through 10th -- “Frequent Walker/Bicyclist” punch cards will be distributed to each child. The children will get a punch each time they walk to or from school. A completed punch card will be turned in for a Safe Routes to School sticker.

For details on how to participate in Chatsworth’s Walk to School Week, please contact Liz Fitzgerald at lizfitz1@verizon.net .

Central School

September 26th -- Youth Officer Bob Reynolds visited classrooms at Central School to instruct students on pedestrian safety. As a result of that presentation, and in preparation of Walk to School Week, a map highlighting safe crossings is displayed at main office at Central.

October 6th through 10th -- Six walking school buses have been organized from different neighborhoods. Families living just too far away to walk can drop off at Mamaroneck High School.

October 6th through 10th -- Principal Carol Houseknecht and assistant principal Edgar McIntosh will lead the walking school bus from Mamaroneck High School to Central each day during Walk to School Week.

October 6th through 10th -- Teachers will be stationed at various points on the main routes to Central School to cheer on the walkers.

October 6th through 10th -- Children who walk, bike, carpool, or bus to school will receive a sticker to be placed on a classroom poster. Classes with a high number of participants will be recognized over morning announcements.”



For details on how to participate in Central's Walk to School Week, please contact Kim Larsen at kimlarsen@optonline.net .

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