## Jacobs School Blue Notes October 20, 2022

#### A Note from the Principal

I am excited to welcome back Raising Multicultural Kids (RMK). Raising Multicultural Kids is dedicated to increasing racial and cultural competency. Its mission is to ensure each child sees themselves modeled in curriculum, in teachers, and in leadership roles in an effort to gain greater self-esteem and respect for others. This aligns well with one of our school improvement objectives, which is to promote a school environment characterized by tolerance, respect, and safety. Similar to last year, Diverse Leaders (trained aspiring educators of color) will visit preK-5<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms once every two weeks to read multicultural books and lead conversations around cultural responsibility. Lessons will not start until the week of November 7, but Diverse Leaders will visit classrooms starting next week to observe the classroom teachers with whom they will be paired and to introduce themselves to students. I will make sure to include the books being read during upcoming RMK lessons in my weekly Blue Notes for your review. As always, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. For additional information please click on this link to RMK's website.

~Mr. Shaw

#### No "Toking" Zone

Memorial Middle School Principal Tony Hrivnak invites all K-12 parents to the middle school the evening of November 17 to view a presentation on the dangers of kids' vaping.

Documentary Producer and Hull resident Lori Tobin will present "Taking a Toke" at 6:00pm and 6:45pm. Middle school students will be viewing the documentary on November 1. Click this link for more information:

https://takingatoke.com/

# **STRETCH** your food budget

The Stretch Your Food Budget (SYFB) program is a service project of the Nantasket-Hull Rotary. Its goal is to help Hull citizens stretch their food dollars by enjoying free, nutritious, delicious dinners packaged in easy to prepare kits. The Meal Kits contain all the necessary ingredients for the recipe along with simple directions. The prepared dinners provide 4-6 servings—enough to feed a family! Click here for more information.

### LHe Harromeen Dance IS Backin

At long last Jacobs students can return to their rockin' roots on Friday, October 28, from 6-8. Admission is \$5 per child (no fee for adults) with a \$20 max per family. This is NOT a drop-off event, so why not help out while you are there? Volunteers are still needed before, during and after the dance! Click on this link to see how you can help: <a href="https://signup.com/go/HcBYprM">https://signup.com/go/HcBYprM</a>



Thursday, October 20 @ 7PM at the Jacob's School Library

#### **Mark Your Calendar!**

Oct 20–PTO Meeting 7pm at JES Library

Oct 24–School Committee 6:30pm @ HHS

Oct 26- Early Dismissal at 12:15pm

Oct 26-Jacobs School Council 5:30pm

Oct 28-Picture Retake Day!

Oct 28-PTO Halloween Dance! 6-8pm



#### We Want Your RAD Photos!

Send Photos of your RAD Pirates having fun in their Core Value T-Shirts or school colors to Mrs. Menice at <u>ecomenice atown.hull.ma.us</u>! Photos will be featured in the slideshow at our next schoolwide assembly, and maybe even in the Blue Notes!

# <u>Hull Public Schools SEPAC: Special Education</u> <u>Parent Advisory Council</u>

Please join us for our upcoming SEPAC meeting on November 7 at 6:00 pm. We will meet in the Jacobs Elementary Library for our annual Basic Rights and Responsibilities in Special Education presentation-Parents, Students and Schools as Partners. As we continue to plan for the upcoming year, we are asking for your assistance. If you haven't already, please take a few minutes to complete the survey below. Your feedback will help guide our agenda for meetings throughout the year.

SEPAC Survey 2022-2023 For more information contact

SEPAC@town.hull.ma.us



The Pot of Gold at the end of the Rainbow!





Mr. Belber from Holly Hill Farm was here this week to work with students in Kindergarten and grade 2. 2<sup>nd</sup> graders enjoyed planting seeds and harvesting the potatoes they planted way back in 1<sup>st</sup> grade! Kindergarteners learned all about seed saving. In the coming weeks, Mr. Belber will host a compost kick off during lunch times to discuss the importance of composting. A team of students from Grade 5 will assist with these presentations.





#### Dr. Rosenplanter's Community Resources

Need help with gifts for the holidays?

The South Shore YMCA Holiday Assistance Program registration is currently open. This year the program is providing a jacket, pajamas, complete outfit, and gift(s) to families that meet the eligibility guidelines. Please visit the link to learn more about the program and register if interested. The deadline for registration is approaching: <a href="https://ssymca.org/holiday-assistance-registration/">https://ssymca.org/holiday-assistance-registration/</a>



The influenza vaccine is now available for students to receive at the Jacobs Elementary School. If you are interested in having your child receive the vaccine at school please complete the consent form and return it to the school nurse.

#### **Keep Warm This Winter!**

The Jacobs School has a collection of new winter jackets, hats, and mittens donated by the community. If your student is in need of winter gear, please contact Maureen Rosenplanter at <a href="mrosenplanter@town.hull.ma.us">mrosenplanter@town.hull.ma.us</a> or ext 1228.

#### **More Library Volunteers Are Needed!**

You could be the librarian during your child's library time! If you are interested in volunteering at the library please email <a href="mailto:jeslib@hullpublicschools.us">jeslib@hullpublicschools.us</a>.

Remember, you must have a CORI on file to volunteer in the school.



On Toolbox Tuesday the entire school put their Garbage Can Tool to good use. Students and teachers wrote down or drew a picture of a small negative thought, annoyance or issue that they needed to let go of. We placed a barrel in the main lobby and during the day students had an opportunity to let the little things go by tossing them into the "Garbage Can." Our goal as a school was to see if we could fill that garbage can by the end of the day...and we did it!





Garbage Can Tool:
I can let the little things go.