

Jacobs School Blue Notes

November 10, 2022

A Note from the Principal

On Wednesday, Mr. Jon Belber from Holly Hill Farm visited the Jacobs to plant garlic with our fourth graders. He also delivered potatoes to our cafeteria staff that were harvested by our second graders. The potatoes were chopped, roasted, seasoned and presented as a side dish during lunch. The students tell me they were delicious! Jon was a very busy guy on Wednesday. In addition to planting and harvesting, he spoke to each grade level during lunch about composting and trained the fifth graders interested in joining the Compost Team. All Jacobs students will now be composting at lunch and the compost will be used in the Jacobs School Garden. Thank you to Jon and our new Compost Team: Logan Resnick, Macklin Concannon, Brooke Briggs, Jayson Noia, Audrey Lancaster, Caroline Lancaster, Christian Silva, Chase Silva, Jessica Nguyen, Sophie Munn, Allison Collins, Max Johnson, Delaney McAuliffe, Ellie Kiley, Lily Beaumier, Frankie Buchleitner, Stellan Kilroe, Alex Provost, Nick Mihal, and Roan George.

Last Friday was Election Day at the Jacobs School. Over half of the fifth grade class ran for Student Council! Students running for officer positions (President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer) presented their ideas and visions for the school during our Spirit Day Assembly. I can confidently speak for everyone present by saying each and every student that spoke did an amazing job! Following the assembly, fifth graders cast their votes. This Wednesday, fifth grade homerooms voted on their homeroom representatives and today I can officially announce our 2022-2023 Student Council is made up of twelve aspiring leaders. They are as follows:

- *President:* Derek DelGallo
- *Vice President:* Olivia Zalios
- *Secretary:* Cruz Costigliola
- *Treasurer:* Billy Littlefield
- *Homeroom Reps:* Nadia Hristov, Jayson Noia, Nadia Schultz, Nick Mihal, Logan Resnick, Roan George, Abby Fleming, and Delaney McAuliffe

I look forward to learning more about their goals for the Jacobs and our collective mission to make it the best school it can be.

~Mr. Shaw

Jacobs School Thanksgiving Food Drive

Who: All Jacobs School students K-5

When: Monday, Nov. 14 - Friday, Nov. 18

What: Our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive to stock the shelves of Wellspring's Food Pantry (a/k/a Aunt Dot's Kitchen) with non-perishable foods items. Last year, we collected a total of 1,519 items!

How: Students will bring their food items with them to school and place them in the collection box in their classroom.

Is It a Contest? Sure it is! The class that brings in the most items will win a Dodgeball Game with Mr. Hawes and Mr. T!

Any Chance There's a Bonus Raffle? YES!!! This year we are holding a raffle for one lucky student to compete in a fun surprise event during the Turkey Trot Assembly! *Every K-5 student will be eligible to earn 1 raffle ticket, either by bringing in a food donation or by making a poster to support the 4th & 5th Grade Turkey Trotters.*



Mark Your Calendar!

Nov 11—Veterans Day – No School

Nov 14-18—Jacobs Food Drive

Nov 14—School Committee 6:30pm @ HHS

Nov 15—PTO Meeting 7pm @ JES Library

Nov 16—PTO Pie Pick-up 12-4pm @ MMS cafeteria

Nov 17—Vaping Presentation, MMS 6:00 & 6:45pm

Nov 23—Turkey Trot, Grades 4 & 5

Nov 23—11:45 Dismissal, no lunch served, no after school care

Nov 24-25—Thanksgiving Break

Nov 30—End 1st Trimester

Nov 30—12:15 Dismissal

Nov 30—Jacobs School Council 5:30pm

Nov 30—Pajama Story Hour 5:30pm

Ms. Keegan's Health Notes

Massachusetts and much of the US are seeing an increase in respiratory illnesses in children. Everyday prevention measures to help avoid these and other illnesses include:

- Wash hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, or cough into your elbow.
- Do not share drinks or other items that touch the mouth.
- **Keep your child home if he/she is ill, and/or has a fever of 100 degrees or higher. Temperature should remain normal for 24 hours without medication before the child returns to school.**
- **Children should remain home for a full 24 hours after vomiting.**
- Avoid social gatherings if you or your children are ill.
- Contact your healthcare provider if you believe your child needs medical care.
- Disinfect frequently touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, especially if someone in your household is ill.
- Consider getting a flu vaccine this year. Flu vaccine is available at the school. Please call the school nurse if you are interested in having your child get the vaccine here at school.

HEART OF THE PIRATE



The November 2022 Heart of the Pirate Award winners were announced at Friday's Spirit Day Assembly:

Kindergarten — Evan Haskins

1st Grade — Callie Jollin

2nd Grade — Ty Bilodeau

3rd Grade — Julianna Moore-DaSilva

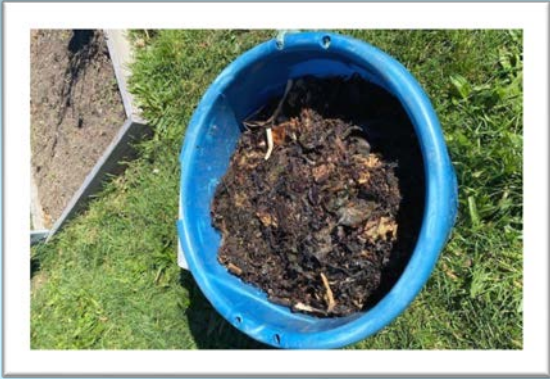
4th Grade — Reefer Markowitz

5th Grade — Olivia Zalios

Congratulations and a hearty Yo-Ho to all the winners!



COMPOST KICK-OFF DAY!



RAD!



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 ecmenice@town.hull.ma.us! Photos will be featured in the slideshow at our next schoolwide assembly, and maybe even in the Blue Notes!

Reminder!

The Jacobs is a Peanut/Tree Nut-Free School. Please check the ingredients of all snacks & lunches your children bring to school to ensure they contain no nuts of any kind. Thank you.



The flu vaccine is still available for students to receive at the Jacobs School. Please complete the [consent form](#) and return it to the school nurse for your child to receive the vaccine.

Dr. Rosenplanter's School Resources

Jacobs School Holiday Giving Program

Each year, the JES staff provide gifts for children and families during the holidays. This holiday season we know that some families may need additional support with gifts and/or clothing for various reasons. If you would like to be included in our holiday giving program and are not participating in another gift program, we are here to help! Please complete the form at this link (<https://forms.gle/8AVtLiWiH5oVMvf47>) for each child for which you'd like to receive gifts. Participation in the program is kept confidential by the counseling department. Please contact Maureen Rosenplanter at mrosenplanter@town.hull.ma.us or 781-925-4400 x1228 with any questions.

Counseling Groups for Students

Throughout the year, students are able to participate in a variety of counseling groups. These groups meet for 6 weeks with one of our counseling staff members and focus on a variety of topics such as self-esteem, improving attention, coping strategies, developing friendships, and more. If you are interested in having your student participate in a group please complete the following link. Completing the form shows interest in a group when it may start as groups are developed based upon referrals and students' needs. A permission slip will be sent home for you to complete prior to a group starting. <https://tinyurl.com/jacobsgroups>