# JACOBS SCHOOL BLUE NOTES NOVEMBER 18, 2021



#### A Note from the Principal

At long last, school pictures arrived today! If your student didn't bring them home this afternoon they should have them by tomorrow.

On Wednesday Grades 4 & 5 will run or walk the Turkey Trot, which is two laps around the circuit of Harborview & Christine Roads. We are finalizing our plans and considering ways to allow parents/guardians of the participants to come to the school to watch the race. I will email those parents & guardians by Monday afternoon with details.

During the week of December 6, we will be celebrating Computer Science Education Week by having all our K-5 students participate in the Hour of Code! The Hour of Code, organized by the nonprofit Code.org, is a global movement that works to ensure all students are not just consumers but creators of technology. You'll find more information here: <u>Hour of Code Guide for Parents</u>

We had our first RMK informational meeting this afternoon. If you were unable to attend, we will hold another meeting Tuesday evening at 6:00 at the school library.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

~Mrs. Cappadona

## Holiday Gift 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, we are here to help! Participation in the program will be kept confidential. If you'd like more information, please contact Maureen Rosenplanter at

> mrosenplanter@town.hull.ma.us or call 781-925-4400 x1228.

### Mark Your Calendar!

Nov 22—School Committee 7pm @ HHS Nov 24—Turkey Trot, Grades 4 & 5 Nov 24—Spirit Day! Nov 24—11:45 Dismissal, No P.M. ChildCare Nov 25-26—Thanksgiving Break

#### COVID-19 Test and Stay Program

We are in the process of implementing the *Test* and Stay program, which allows students who have had close contact with a person who tested positive for COVID-19 while at school to stay in school if the student is not showing symptoms. Instead of needing to quarantine and miss school, these students will take a daily rapid test at school and will remain in school as long as they are not symptomatic or test positive. Students participate in *Test and Stay* for at least five days after they may have been exposed. We anticipate the start date of this program to occur after Thanksgiving.

If a student tests positive for COVID-19 they must isolate at home for the CDC-recommended ten days since symptoms appeared, or ten days since the positive test before returning to school. The student must be fever-free for 24 hours. As an added precaution, students that test positive with a rapid test will be administered a free PCR test which the District makes available through South Shore Hospital.

To participate in *Test and Stay*, a parent/guardian must sign the consent using the link below on behalf of your child.

Click here for Parental Consent Form

Canned Food Drive Through Tomorrow, November 19!

This week we are collecting non-perishable food items for the Wellspring Food Pantry. The class that collects the most items will win a prize!

Christine Cappadona, Principal

Kyle Shaw, Assistant Principal

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