



JACOBS SCHOOL BLUE NOTES

NOVEMBER 9, 2023

A Note from the Principal

The Jacobs Student Council is comprised of four 6th grade officers and eight 5th & 6th grade homeroom representatives. During our assembly on Friday, several brave sixth-grade students campaigning for officer positions stepped forward and delivered speeches to the entire school. Imagine delivering a speech at the age of 11 in front of roughly 500 people! I give them so much credit for their courage and leadership. Following the assembly, fifth and sixth graders cast their ballots. **I'm proud to announce 2023-2024 Jacobs Student Council Officers: President Derek DelGallo, Vice President Victoria Haggerty, Secretary Roan George, and Treasurer Allison Collins.**

With the officer race decided, this week students running for Homeroom Representative delivered speeches to their respective homerooms. After the speeches, each homeroom elected one representative to the council. **The newly elected Homeroom Representatives are: Nick Mihal, Chase Silva, Christian Silva, Eleanor Kiley, Jack O'Mara, Zainab Nouredine, Reese Irby, and Payton Dunn.** Having two grade levels in our student government represents a significant change for us, and I'm eager to hear their ideas and initiatives.

This week, we kicked off composting in the cafeteria. Our fifth-grade students have taken on the responsibility of collecting uncooked food scraps at the end of the fourth lunch block, and cycling them into the compost bin located next to the Jacobs Garden. The compost we create will nourish our garden, which in turn will provide produce for school lunches. This sustainable cycle serves as a great lesson for our students and represents a small yet impactful contribution to sustainability.

We're excited to introduce a new JASPER offering, thanks to this year's School Council (not be confused with the student council). A **Homework Club** has been added to our offerings for students in grades 4-6. Students can register for class on Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday, or a combination of days. If you're interested, please see the JASPER box below for more details.

The Jacobs School's first Turkey Trot was run in 2009 by a couple dozen fifth graders on a Saturday. (Some of those fifth graders, now adults, are currently employed at the Jacobs!) Their entry fee that year was at least 1 canned good, to be donated to Wellspring. That small food drive became a tradition that has evolved over the years into a major school-wide canned food drive, collecting well over 10,000 canned goods! The tradition continues next week with our 14th Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive, starting this Monday. Of course awards will be bestowed – all of them to be announced at the Turkey Trot Pep Rally on November 22!

Committed to your child's safety and social, emotional and academic needs, always,

—Mr. Shaw

SOME JASPER CLASSES STILL HAVE OPENINGS!

Although some classes are full, the following JASPER classes still have openings:

- Drawing or Creative Movement on Monday
- Intro to Dance or Basketball on Tuesday
- Intermediate Dance, Hull Lifesaving Museum, or Floor Hockey on Thursday
- **NEW!** Homework Club: Choose the Day!
Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday slots available!

Click [HERE](#) to view descriptions of all available JASPER classes. When the big decision has been made, click [HERE](#) to REGISTER. *Space is limited, so make your choice and register for class as quickly as possible!*

Payment is not due until you have been notified by Mrs. Wilson or Mr. Fitzgerald that your student made it into a JASPER class.

Good luck!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Nov 9–PTO Meeting 7PM at JS Library
Nov 10–Veterans' Day *Observed*, No School
Nov 13-17–Thanksgiving Food Drive
Nov 13 & 27–School Committee 6:30 @ HHS
Nov 22–Turkey Trot Grades 4, 5 & 6
Nov 22–Early Dismissal 11:45
Nov 23-24–Thanksgiving Break, No School
Nov 29–Early Dismissal 12:15
Nov 29–Trimester 1 ends



Parking Lot Safety Issues

Our parking lot is very busy, and safety is a top priority.

- We have multiple school vans picking up Jacobs School students, including preschoolers. Please avoid parking in the fire lane or between school vans when dropping off or picking up students.
- Please don't block the bus lot entrance/exit.
- It's illegal in Massachusetts to pass a school van or bus with flashing lights.

Please share this with anyone picking up your child, and be considerate of others waiting for parking. We appreciate your patience during arrival and dismissal.

Paraprofessional Needed

We are looking for a Paraprofessional for our Preschool Program. If interested please e-mail lrajan@town.hull.ma.us





On Tuesday seven lucky students rode to school on a fire truck after winning the Fire Safety Poster/Essay Contest. The winners were:

- Kindergarten: Zack Panetta
- 1st Grade: Henry Dunn
- 2nd Grade: Stella Macris
- 3rd Grade: Hannah Summers
- 4th Grade: Ryleigh Mooney
- 5th Grade: Liam Fahey
- 6th Grade: Tori Hagerty



Flu Vaccine Clinic at JS

Nurse Keegan will be holding a Flu Vaccine Clinic after school on Thursday, November 16, from 3:30 – 6:00 pm. Vaccines will be available both for students and for the adults who bring them!

Vaccines are still available for students to receive during the school day. Please complete attached consent form if you would like your child receive it here at school.



Happy Veterans Day!

"Thank You"

...to our Veterans for their Service to our Country.



The PTO Shoe Drive Fundraiser has been fabulously successful and is still going on!



You still have another week to clean your closets for a good cause!



Recess RAD!

Send Us Your RAD Photos!

Send photos of your RAD Pirates having fun in their Core Value T-Shirts or school colors to Mrs. Rajan at lrajan@town.hull.ma.us! We'll include them in our Assembly Slide Show and maybe even here in the Blue Notes!

PTO Meeting Tonight!

Thursday November 9 @ 7:00PM
in the Jacobs School Library.
Come and enter to win a door prize!

Dr. Rosenplanter's Community Resources

- **Thanksgiving:** Wellspring has started taking orders for Thanksgiving Dinner Boxes. If interested, families can contact Anne Stenfors at 781-925-3211 ext 122.
- **Fuel Assistance:** If anyone is in need of fuel assistance and would like help with the application, contact Jenny Gerbis at Wellspring at 781-925-3211 ext 127 for help.



READING NOOK

Next week the following classes will have library:
King, Buttkus, Hall, Wilson, Gomes, Cowden,
Donohue AM & PM, Connelly, Weber & Dibley
Don't forget your books!!