

Jacobs School Blue Notes

February 16, 2023

A Note from the Principal

As most of us have our sights set on vacation, others look towards one of the biggest events of the year: the PTO Read-A-Thon! This year marks the Read-A-Thon's 20th anniversary, signifying the tremendous collaborative relationship the school has shared with the PTO for so many years. Preparations are underway for what I hope will be the biggest and best Read-A-Thon we have ever had. Thank you to PTO members Deb Irby, Kim Panetta, and Jill Mansfield-Jollin for their work thus far, and for carrying the torch for the numerous PTO members who have contributed to the Read-A-Thon over the last two decades. *A hearty Yo-Ho to all!* The Read-A-Thon kicks off the Friday after vacation, March 3, and will end on Sunday, March 12. Literacy Week will fall between those dates and we will celebrate with a literacy-connected theme for each day. I know how stressful it can be trying to coordinate your child's outfits at the last minute, so here's a sneak peek at our Literacy Week theme days:

Monday 3/6

Reading is an adventure: Dress like a pirate!

Tuesday 3/7

Reading makes us bright: Wear bright or neon colors!

Wednesday 3/8

Reading gives you character: Dress up like a book character!

Thursday 3/9

Reading is exercise for the mind: Wear athletic wear!

Friday 3/10

Reading makes your dreams come true: Dress up as your future career!

Just a reminder, if you have a child who will be 5 years old by August 31, 2023-2024 Kindergarten Registration is open. Registration forms can be found [here](#). Current Jacobs preschoolers who are age-eligible will automatically advance to kindergarten – no need to re-register. Please call the office for more information.

I wish you all a happy and healthy week off.

~Mr. Shaw



Kyle Shaw, Principal

Elaine Menice, Interim Assistant Principal

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Mark Your Calendar!

Feb 20-24–Vacation Week

Feb 27–School Committee 6:30pm @ HHS

Mar 2-3–Crocodile River Music Co visits grades 3-5

Mar 6–Crocodile River Music Co schoolwide concert

Mar 3–Spirit Day/Read-A-Thon Kick-Off Assembly

Mar 3-12–20th Annual PTO Read-A-Thon

Mar 8–Early Dismissal 1:00pm

Mar 14–2nd Trimester ends

Mar 22–Report Cards distributed

Mar 23–Early Dismissal 1:45pm

Mar 23–Parent Conferences 2-4pm & 6-8pm

Mar 29–Early Dismissal 12:15pm

Mar 29–Pajama Story Hour 5:30pm

Mar 29–Jacobs School Council 5:30pm

CARRIBEAN 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!

JACOBS UPSTANDERS HAVE BULLIES ON THE RUN AS MORE STUDENTS STAND UP TO SAY, "NO MORE!" OUR MOST RECENT SCHOOL HEROES: PAYTON DUNN! ASHLEIGH MACKEY! ETHAN MEDINA! CHRIS REILLY!

Pass the Pringles, please!

You can always count on Jacobs students when the chips are down! STEAM classes recently held a PRINGLES DROP, where students were challenged to create a protective housing to safely drop a single intact Pringles Potato Chip from a height of 16.5'. Results varied, but 25 of 37 chips did not break, and of those 25 unbroken chips, 21 were saved by a parachute!

Regrettably, due to snacking by the scientists in training, none of the test subjects survived the experiment!



Last Chance to Sign Up for JASPER!

Session 2 of JASPER begins as soon as we return from vacation!

- You may sign up through tomorrow, Friday 2/17.
- Click on the [JASPER Sign-up Form](#) to see which classes still have space.
- All payments are due prior to the first class.
- You may pay online at this link:
<https://unipaygold.unibank.com/transactioninfo.aspx?TID=19074>
- If paying by cash or check (payable to L.M. Jacobs Elementary School) please place in an envelope with "JASPER" and child's name/grade/teacher on the front.

JASPER Session 2 dates:

Mondays: 2/27, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3

Tuesdays: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 4/4

Thursdays: 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13 (NOTE: There is no Thursday JASPER on 3/23 due to Parent-Teacher Conferences)



READING NOOK

The Read-A-Thon is coming up shortly and we need books! Do you have any gently used books you would like to add to the library's inventory? We would love to have them! The week after winter break will be a Gold Week. The following classes will have library.

Monday: DiTullio, Hall, Cowden, Kenney, Donato

Tuesday: Jones, Perniola, Quinn

Friday: Vittorini, King, Scott