

# JACOBS SCHOOL BLUE NOTES

## February 3, 2022

### *A Note from the Principal*

Our 2-2-22 day was so much fun! Students and staff were dressed in tutus and ties and tie dye and tennis shoes! Previously unknown twins appeared! Please see page 3 for lots of photos.

Jacobs School students have truly embraced the Reading Pirate's Kindness Challenge. The challenge is to earn 1,000 Pirate Kindness Pamphlets, enough to change the tides and bring the Reading Pirate back to the Jacobs School for the Read-A-Thon. It is so gratifying to see students dropping completed pamphlets in the treasure chest each day!

The Lost & Found is overflowing with water bottles, hats, gloves, sweatshirts, and jackets. You name it, it is in our Lost & Found. Please encourage your student to check the Lost & Found for missing items. Parents and caretakers are welcome to come in to look for lost items during regular school hours. All items not claimed by February 18 will be donated.

Spirit Day T-shirts have arrived! Kindergarteners and new students got their RAD T-shirts today. If you pre-ordered a new shirt please send your student to the office with \$8 to pick it up. We will also have a limited number available for purchase. Please email Mrs. Abatuno at [kabatuno@town.hull.ma.us](mailto:kabatuno@town.hull.ma.us) for more information.

Next Wednesday, our Kindergarten Parent information Night will be in-person, 6-7 PM. Attendees will receive information about our Kindergarten program, meet the kindergarten teachers, and tour the school. If you have a child who will be five years old on the first day of school, please plan to attend.

*~Mrs. Cappadona*

### *Help Wanted in the Library!*

We have a few classes still in need of volunteer librarians. A typical library shift is two to three hours every two weeks and on-the-job training is provided. If you are able to pitch in please email Amy Hyde at [ahyde@town.hull.ma.us](mailto:ahyde@town.hull.ma.us) for details.

### Mark Your Calendar!

Feb 4—Spirit Day!

Feb 9—100<sup>th</sup> Day of School! Dress Like You're 100 Years Old!

Feb 9—Jacobs School Council 5pm

Feb 9—Kindergarten-101 Information Night 6pm

Feb 15 & 28—School Committee 6:30pm @ HHS

**Feb 16—Early Dismissal at 12:15**

Feb 21—Presidents' Day, No School

Feb 22-25—February Break

Mar 2—Preschool Open House

### Preschool Open House

If your child will be 3 or 4 years old by the first day of school, please [make an appointment](#) to visit our Preschool Open House on Wednesday, March 2. (Current Jacobs Preschool families need not attend.)



### Kindergarten 101 Parent Information Night:

*Everything You Ever Wanted To Know About  
Kindergarten at the Jacobs School*

If you have a child entering kindergarten in September 2022 please join us for this informational evening.

- Learn about the kindergarten curriculum
- Meet the kindergarten teachers
- Obtain information about our free full-day program
- Visit the classrooms and tour our school
- Find out about important dates and events
- Learn about our before and after school childcare program

**When: Wednesday, February 9, 6-7pm**

**Where: Lillian M. Jacobs School**

18 Harborview Road

Hull, MA



*Please note: This is meant to be a parent-only information night. If you have questions, please call the school at 781-925-4400.*

Christine Cappadona, Principal

Kyle Shaw, Assistant Principal

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In accordance with DESE and DPH our district is updating our COVID-19 Testing Program. We are opting into an at-home testing program that will increase testing of our participating students and staff, regardless of vaccination status.

For the next two weeks we will continue with the current Test and Stay program for school close contacts and symptomatic testing for those students who develop symptoms while at school. After that, beginning February 21 we will be shifting to the new at-home testing option. In addition to this new at-home antigen test option, we will continue with symptomatic testing as needed during the week

As part of this shift in the program, we will discontinue Test and Stay and contact tracing for in-school close contacts. This means that if your child is a potential contact in school, they may continue to come to school and do not have to quarantine. This new at-home testing opportunity is voluntary and only those who opt-in will receive tests.

***If you haven't already done so, we strongly encourage you to opt-in RIGHT NOW!***

**COVID-19 Testing Programs in our Schools:**

1. At-Home Rapid Antigen Testing on Thursdays (NEW [Opt-in Form](#))
2. Symptomatic Testing (If you have not yet signed up, [click here](#))

If you have any questions please contact the school nurse.



**RMK Book Selections for February**

**Advocacy** is this month's theme for *Raising Multicultural Kids* (RMK), and the essential questions are:

- *What is a change maker?*
- *What are the qualities of a change maker?*
- *How can you be a change maker?*

RMK's Diverse Leaders will read and discuss these books with students:

- ***Saving American Beach*** by Heidi Tyline King
- ***We March*** by Shane W. Evans K-3<sup>rd</sup>
- ***Martin's Big Words*** by Doreen Rappaport 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>
- ***You Can Make Changes/Ask or Ignore*** by Connie Colwell Miller



Send photos of RAD Jacobs Pirates having fun in their Core Value T-Shirts or school colors to Mr. Shaw at [kshaw@town.hull.ma.us](mailto:kshaw@town.hull.ma.us)! They'll be featured in our next Spirit Day slideshow and maybe right here in the Blue Notes!

**FEBRUARY 9 IS THE 100<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SCHOOL!\***

**CELEBRATE THE MILESTONE BY DRESSING LIKE YOU'RE 100 YEARS OLD!**



*\*Unless we have a cancellation!*



