



Jacobs School Blue Notes

March 16, 2023

A Note from the Principal

Our first pilot with the CKLA curriculum materials wrapped up last week. These past five weeks allowed teachers and students to experience the curriculum materials. While teaching with the CKLA materials, teachers used a rubric to analyze and record their feedback. Because students' voices are important at all levels, our Director of Curriculum and Assessment, Christine Cappadona, first-grade teacher Lindsey Rajan, and Special Educator Emily Rosado visited classrooms last week to survey students about what they liked and disliked about CKLA. Last week our Literacy Committee met to review the data collected, ask questions, and share the strengths and challenges of the CKLA curriculum. The same process will be followed with our second curriculum pilot, Wonders. Teachers received training during our early release on March 8 and have started using Wonders this week. This pilot will continue through April 14. While both materials being "tested" are high quality and fully aligned to the state standards, we are working to identify the best match for our students and teachers. We will continue to update families with our process.

Just a reminder, preschool and kindergarten registration documents are available on our [website](#). Also, the second trimester ended on March 14 and report cards will be in backpacks on March 22. **Parent Conferences are on March 23.** If you have not yet scheduled yours, you may do so at [this link](#).

During arrival, please do your best to drop your child off as quickly as possible. The bus and car line seems to be moving slower than normal, resulting in students waiting to unload from the buses for long periods of time.

Tomorrow is our **20th Annual Read-A-Thon Wrap-Up Assembly** where we will share some very exciting statistics about this year's event. We will reveal the top readers & fundraisers for each grade level and schoolwide. We'll find out which classes reached their reading goals and whether the whole school met the 202,020 minute challenge set by the Reading Pirate. Will the roulette wheel spin? What stunt does the Reading Pirate have up his sleeve? I can't give anything away, but I can say that I am once again amazed by the tremendous support and generosity demonstrated by the Jacobs School Community. Thank you.

~Mr. Shaw

ROCK YOUR SOCKS on Tuesday!

In recognition of World Down syndrome Day on March 21, Jacobs students will wear crazy, mismatched, silly socks – whatever their festive feet find! Join the footwear fun and **ROCK YOUR SOCKS on Tuesday!**



PAJAMA STORY HOUR presents

Bring Your Teddy Night!

Wednesday, March 29 @ 5:30pm
Jacobs School Music Room

Please click [here](#) to reserve your spot & craft supplies.



DON'T
FORGET TO
WEAR YOUR
PAJAMAS!

Save the Date! Win the Raffle!

Hull PTO meets tonight – Thursday, March 16 @ 7pm at JES – Come one! Come all! Learn what the Hull PTO is up to and possibly win our Door Prize Raffle!

Mark Your Calendar!

Mar 16–JACOBS HAS TALENT!!! Audition forms emailed to grades 3-5

Mar 21–WDS Rock Your Socks Day

Mar 22–Report Cards distributed

Mar 23–Early Dismissal 1:45pm

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

Mar 24–JACOBS HAS TALENT!!! Audition forms return deadline

Mar 29–Forsyth Dental visits JES

Mar 29–Early Dismissal 12:15pm

Mar 29–JACOBS HAS TALENT!!! Auditions 4:30-6:30pm

Mar 29–Pajama Story Hour 5:30pm ([Register here](#))

Mar 29–Jacobs School Council 5:30pm

Apr 7–No School

Apr 12–JACOBS HAS TALENT!!! 6-8pm

Miami 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!

Join the RAD team!

Jacobs Elementary School is seeking both part-time (M, T, Th, F) and full-time paraprofessionals. For more information please contact Principal Kyle Shaw at kshaw@town.hull.ma.us.

Spring 2023 MCAS Dates:

- ❖ Grade 5 ELA: April 4, 6
- ❖ Grade 5 Math: April 25, 27
- ❖ Grade 5 STE: May 16, 18
- Grade 4 ELA: April 10, 11
- Grade 4 Math: May 1, 2
- ✓ Grade 3 ELA: April 13, 14
- ✓ Grade 3 Math: May 4, 5