Jacobs School Blue Notes September 29, 2022

A Note from the Principal

I believe it is more important than ever that students attend school whenever possible. The state released the 2022 MCAS results today and there is quantitative evidence of a significant loss of learning, particularly in ELA across the commonwealth. The learning loss, due to the pandemic, is directly connected to the number of days students spent outside the classroom. This time out of the classroom was very much out of our control. However, as we do our best to accelerate the recovery of learning loss, I ask that you assist our efforts by creating and emphasizing routines at home that are conducive to regular and punctual attendance. As I mentioned in last week's Blue Notes, our school's **One Word** for the year is **Together**. We will need to work *together* to improve attendance during the 2022-2023 school year.

We conducted our first **lockdown drill** on Tuesday afternoon in conjunction with the police department. Officer DelVecchio (school resource officer) and old friend Officer Marshalsea (former school resource officer) facilitated the drill as Mrs. Menice and I walked the hallways to make sure all procedures were followed. I was pleased by the work staff had put into preparing for the drill and the students' response. We plan on conducting drills quarterly during the year.

~Mr. Shaw

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Jacobs Library will be opening soon and we'll need help running it! Please email jeslib@hullpublicschools.us

for more information.



Mark Your Calendar!

Oct 7–Spirit Day/Assembly Oct 10–Indigenous Peoples' Day, no school Oct 11-14–Fire Safety Week Oct 11, 24–School Committee 6:30pm @ HHS Oct 19– Early Dismissal at 1:00pm Oct 26– Early Dismissal at 12:15pm Oct 26–Jacobs School Council 5:30pm Oct 28–PTO Halloween Dance! 6-8pm



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 <u>ecmenice town.hull.ma.us</u>! Photos will be featured in the slideshow at our next schoolwide assembly, and maybe even in the Blue Notes!

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Be True to Your Teeth...or they'll be false to you!

ForsythKids School Oral Health Program will be returning to the Jacobs School this fall. ForsythKids helps keep children healthy by bringing dental prevention right to our school. Packets were sent home with students today. If you are interested in having your child seen by the ForsythKids staff please complete the application form and return it to school before October 11.

Kyle Shaw, Principal Elaine Menice, Interim Assistant Principal

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