

# Jacobs School Blue Notes

## September 6, 2023

### A Note from the Principal

We are ready for a deep dive into our new literacy curriculum!

**Amplify CKLA** (Core Knowledge Language Arts), for grades K-5, focuses on building a strong foundation of knowledge and literacy skills. It engages students through rich content, discussions, and interdisciplinary learning, promising an exceptional educational experience. To keep you informed and involved, we'll send Unit Letters at the start of each CKLA unit, offering a preview of topics, themes, and skills covered. These can be conversation starters and connect classroom learning with home discussions. CKLA exposes your child to diverse subjects, emphasizing reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills, fostering curiosity and a love for learning. **Amplify ELA** (English Language Arts), for grades 6-8, navigates intricate texts, analyzes content, and fosters personal connections through captivating texts and digital interactions, preparing students for high school. Our teachers received rigorous training from Amplify specialists to effectively deliver CKLA/ELA. Ongoing sessions throughout the year will enhance instructional skills for student success.

This Friday is our first **Spirit Day Assembly** of the year! It's an exciting way to officially kick off the school year by bringing the whole school together. We're still in need of some RAD photos, so feel free to send in pictures of your child rocking a RAD shirt before the assembly – it's not too late!

Mark your calendars! Next Wednesday evening is our **Open House**, which happens to be one of my favorite events of the year. I'm always amazed by the turnout of families, and this year's Open House is particularly special with our new school additions. I'm looking forward to seeing you there!

—Mr. Shaw

### Schoolwide Academic Support Information

Please join the Jacobs School Reading Specialists during Open House on September 13 in the library to learn how your child is supported through our School Wide Academic Support - Pirate Time. Every student is a participant! The presentation will be rolling every 15 minutes so stop in when it is convenient for you, anytime between 6 and 8 PM. We hope to see you there!

**DON'T FORGET TO RETURN STUDENT HANDBOOK & CHROMEBOOK/IPAD SIGNATURE PAGES!**

[CLICK HERE FOR MONTHLY MENUS!](#)

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR THIS WEEK!**



**The PTO Scholastic Book Fair starts Monday. The schedule is attached.**

**Join the fun! Please click [HERE](#) to find out how you can help with the Book Fair!**



### PTO Meeting

Thursday September 7 @ 7PM in the Jacobs School Library. Come one/Come all and enter a free raffle to win a Door Prize and learn what Hull PTO is up to. All those in attendance will be entered into the raffle!

### Mark Your Calendar!

Sep 7–5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Night 6:30pm

Sep 7–PTO Meeting 7pm, Jacobs Library

Sep 8–Spirit Day/Assembly

**Sep 11–Preschool First Day**

Sep 11–15–PTO Scholastic Book Fair

Sep 13–Open House 6-8pm

**Sep 14–School Picture Day**

**Sep 27–12:15 Dismissal**

# RAD at School!



### 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](mailto:lrajan@town.hull.ma.us)! We'll include them in our Assembly Slide Show and maybe even here in the Blue Notes!

**LIBRARY**  
**READING NOOK**

Volunteers wanted! No experience necessary! Choose your own time slot! Volunteer training is Sept 12 at 9AM or Sept 15 at 2:30. (You only need to come in for one training session.) CORI's must be submitted before you volunteer.

See you in the library!!

Any questions email [jeslib@hullpublicschools.us](mailto:jeslib@hullpublicschools.us)