

# JACOBS SCHOOL BLUE NOTES

For the week of October 15, 2019

## *A Note from the Principal*

Tuesday, while the students were enjoying an afternoon off from school, the teachers and staff were attending workshops about Social-Emotional Learning. As a faculty we are always looking for ways to support and foster emotional growth and cultivate emotional resiliency. During our November assembly we will be introducing a new program that teaches students 12 tools to help them manage interpersonal and intrapersonal conflicts. We will provide more information as we roll out the program, including parent workshops.

Parents of students in fourth and fifth grade may have already received their child's MCAS scores in the mail, which include results from the next-generation MCAS test that was given in spring 2019. MCAS results are only one measure of your child's growth and achievement. As a school, we are looking closely at our spring MCAS results to strengthen our curriculum and instruction. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you have any questions.

First grade had a wonderful field trip to the Boston Children's Museum today, despite the weather. Thank you to the PTO for assisting in funding this field trip as well as the second-grade field trip to the Children's Museum, scheduled for next Thursday. For those who have never been to the Children's Museum, I highly recommend planning a trip. It is a hands-on museum that allows students to explore and play while learning all about science, technology, art, and health. It is fun for all ages, 1-100.

I hope everyone has a wonderful long weekend!

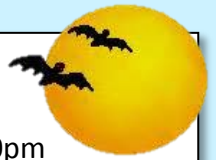
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Christine Cappadona, Principal

## Mark Your Calendar!

Oct 14—Columbus Day, NO SCHOOL  
Oct 16—Jacobs School Council 5:30-6:30pm  
Oct 18—Kindergarten to CN Smith Farm  
Oct 21—School Committee 7pm @ HHS  
Oct 24—Grade 2 to Boston Children's Museum  
Oct 25—**PTO HALLOWEEN DANCE** 6-8pm  
Nov 13—Pajama Story Hour 6:30pm



## Pie: The Perfect Food!

The results are in. Pies sold by the PTO during their annual Thanksgiving Pie Sale are DELICIOUS! Please return order forms by October 21 and pies will be delivered to the Middle School in time for Thanksgiving!



Once again influenza vaccine is available for students to receive at the Jacobs Elementary School.

If you are interested in having your child receive the vaccine at school please complete the attached consent form and return it to school.



## Backpacks and Winter Jackets

The Jacobs School has a collection of new backpacks and winter jackets donated by the community. If your child is in need of a backpack or winter coat, please contact Maureen Rosenplanter at 781-925-4400x1228 or [mrosenplanter@town.hull.ma.us](mailto:mrosenplanter@town.hull.ma.us)



The new batch of **Core Value T-Shirts** has arrived! As always, kindergarteners and new students receive a t-shirt for free, and a limited number of additional t-shirts are available for purchase at **\$10 each**.

Kyle Shaw, Assistant Principal

## ***Not Every Hero Wears a Cape Plan & Practice Your Escape***

In honor of Nation Fire Prevention Week, Captains Ahlquist and Johnson, and Firefighters Resnick and Gibbons of the Hull Fire Department led a 30 minute presentation for each homeroom in grades PreK-5 throughout the week. ***Not every hero wears a cape. Plan and practice your escape*** was the theme of this year's campaign, one that tied in nicely to our most recent Superpower themed assembly. In addition, the firefighters created PowerPoint presentations with useful visuals to target important skills at each grade level. The following training was provided to each grade level:

- **PreK – Stop, Drop & Roll** – Students practiced the maneuver on gymnastic mats as the firefighters assisted them.
- **K – Firefighters are community helpers** – During the presentation, Captains Ahlquist and Johnson discussed the role of firefighter within their community. Additionally, in an effort to alleviate any fears of a firefighter dressed in his or her gear, Firefighters Resnick and Gibbons demonstrated how each piece of equipment is put on before entering a burning building.
- **Gr. 1 – Crawl low under smoke** – Students learned about how smoke rises and practiced crawling on their hands and knees on the gymnastic mats.
- **Gr. 2 – Escape Plans** – Students were instructed to speak with their families to plan for two escape routes from their house as well as meeting places once outside. "Get out, and stay out."
- **Gr. 3 - What is Fire** – Students were introduced to the Fire Tetrahedron (heat, fuel, oxygen, chemical chain reaction).
- **Gr. 4 – Reporting Emergencies** – The Firefighters instructed students how to identify an emergency and how to report it.
- **Gr. 5 – Cooking Safety** – Safety precautions around cooking were discussed.

Each student left with a Fire Safety bag of goodies. Additionally, each student was given a poster board and asked to draw a picture that represents what they learned during Fire Prevention Week. **Posters are due, Friday Oct 18<sup>th</sup>**. The Hull Fire Department will pick one poster from each grade level that best represented Fire Safety Week and award the students a ride to school on the fire truck. Captain Ahlquist will announce the winners during our November assembly.

## ◆ **WANTED** ◆



## **PHOTOS OF RAD JACOBS PIRATES**

Send photos of our pirates having fun in their Core Value T-Shirts to Mr. Shaw at [kshaw@town.hull.ma.us](mailto:kshaw@town.hull.ma.us). All new photos will be featured in the slide show at each month's SPIRIT DAY ASSEMBLY!



## **JASPER**

### **Registration Time!**

JASPER begins the week of October 21<sup>st</sup>. Course Description/Registration forms were sent home with students today and are also attached to these Blue Notes. Registrations will be accepted until classes are full, so get your forms in quickly or you may be shut out of your top picks. Classes that don't fill up may be canceled. Please note that Open Gym is now part of the JASPER Program.

Please email Mrs. Jones at [mjones@town.hull.ma.us](mailto:mjones@town.hull.ma.us) with any questions.