



Jacksonville Elementary School

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PARENT BULLETIN



Debbie Glinowiecki, Principal
Nancy Aumiller, Assistant Principal

September 17, 2009

Dear Parents,

Next week there will be two opportunities for volunteers to be trained. This is a mandatory training for anyone who wants to volunteer within the school building or accompany children on field trips. Oftentimes, parents ask if they need to be trained each year. It is part of Baltimore County's Volunteer Program and must be completed yearly. If a parent has already filled in the application however, the parent does not need to complete another. He/she needs to update the application and sign it. To accommodate both working and non-working parents the PTA and school have set up two times for this training:

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| Thursday, September 24 | 6:00-7:00 |
| Friday, September 25 | 9:30-10:30 |

Anyone who cannot make either of these dates will not be able to volunteer within the school until the next training is held, which will be in conjunction with American Education Week in November.

This year a new report card will be used for reporting student progress. It is better aligned to the curriculum being taught daily. There is a very short parent introduction created by the Elementary Ed Office. Rather than bring parents to school for another night, it will be shown in conjunction with the volunteer training. There is a Parent Handbook that will be accessible online for future reference.

The Hereford Zone Schools' Walk-Run will be held on Saturday, October 31 at Crossroads Center off of Route 43. A flier was sent home explaining the Walk-Run in the summer mailing. In addition, we have added a flyer under events/activities on the JES website. There will be goodie bags and shirts for all entrants. Activities and county EMS vehicles will be on site for participants, including children to see "up close." Early

bird registration ends September 30. All proceeds obtained through donations will be sent to Kids Helping Hopkins Cancer Center. For registration or other information please go to www.charmcityrun.com, or to avoid a processing fee, you can print and mail the registration form located on our website under events/activities.

Last year, Jacksonville had the best attendance of all the Central Area Schools. This is a testament to parents' belief in the importance of daily school attendance. The Attendance Committee meets monthly to review all attendances. If a child is absent more than 5% of the school year to date, a letter will be sent home from the committee.

Now that we are up and running on a regular basis, please remember that if you choose to drop off a child in the morning, do not drop them off before 9:05. No unaccompanied child is allowed into the school until the 9:05 bell rings. If a parent accompanies the child, they may wait in the lobby until the bell rings. Also, please utilize the drop off procedures as written in the student-parent handbook which can be accessed online (www.jacksonvillees.bcps.org).

Thanks to everyone who made the start of the 2009-2010 school year so smooth and safe!

Sincerely,
Debbie Glinowiecki
Nancy Aumiller



September-October 2009 Calendar

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| Wednesday, September 23 | Beans and Bread |
| Thursday, September 24 | 6:00 JES Volunteer Training and Report Card update 7:00 CAEAC meeting at Dulaney on Social Networking |
| Friday, September 25 | 9:30 JES Volunteer Training and Report Card update |
| Monday, September 28 | Schools closed—Yom Kippur |
| Friday, October 2 | 4:00-7:00 <i>Fall Fun Fair</i> |
| Friday, October 9 | 9:30-11:30 JVFC visits grade 1 |
| Tuesday, October 13 | 12:30-3:30 Ms. Ryan's and Mr. Brown's classes to Ladew Gardens |
| Wednesday, October 14 | 12:30-3:30 Mrs. Vananzo's and Mr. Hurley's classes to Ladew Gardens |

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| Thursday, October 15 | 7:00 CAEAC Pre-Budget Hearing at Cockeyville Middle School |
| Friday, October 16 | Schools closed—MSEA Convention |
| Tuesday, October 20 | Synder Animal presentation to grade 2 4:30 Site Base meeting in the library |
| Wednesday, October 21 | School pictures taken Beans and Bread |
| Thursday, October 22 | 1:00-7:00 Red Cross Blood Drive in the Activity Room 7:00 Internet Safety presentation |
| Friday, October 23 | Ident-A-Kid here during lunch 9:30 PTA meeting in Room 1 |
| Friday, October 30 | Vision and Hearing Screening 2:30 Annual Halloween Parade |

Newsletter



This will be the last “hard copy” or paper newsletter. Beginning October 1st, you will receive an email message when the newsletter has been posted on our website. There will also be a link for easy access. Please make sure you will be able to accept emails from jaes1002@bcps.org. We hope you will take the time to read each and every issue of our newsletter, as it is the primary connection between school events and home. If you have any questions, feel free to call the school, 410-887-7880 and speak with Ann McGuire or email amcguire@bcps.org.

October 1 & 15
November 5 & 19
December 3 & 17
January 7 & 21
February 4 & 18
March 4 & 18
April 1 & 15
May 6 & 20
June 3 & 17

MANDATORY VOLUNTEER TRAINING



Mandatory volunteer training will be held on Thursday, September 24th from 6:00-7:00 pm and again on Friday, September 25th from 9:30-10:30 am. You can attend either the 9:30 am training or the 6:00 pm training. All persons who would like to volunteer and/or chaperone field trips during the 2009-10 school year at Jacksonville, must attend this training. Training

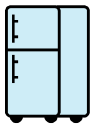
will not be offered again until American Education Week in November. The training will last approximately one hour. Refreshments and light snacks will be served.

MANDATORY ROOM PARENT MEETING

A mandatory meeting will be held for all room parents on Friday, September 25th directly after the 9:30 am Volunteer Training (at approximately 10:30 a.m.) in the Cafeteria. The meeting will last about 15 minutes. During the meeting we will review new room parent protocols and provide you with helpful guidance. It is very important that at least one room parent per class attend this meeting. If you have any questions, please call Kaye Einbrod at 410-527-1349 or keinbrod@comcast.net



Wanted



The faculty is in need of a refrigerator. If you have one you would like to donate, please **call** the office, 410-887-7880. Thank you.

PTA Membership Has Its Benefits!

We are wrapping up our 2009-2010 PTA membership drive. If you have not yet joined, please send in your gold envelope and dues (\$5/member) today. If you have already signed up, thank you! Member cards will be coming home shortly so that you can begin enjoying discounts at our participating local merchants. **A special thanks to The Bistro, Dominos and Pizzazz for their support of a 10% discount to JES PTA members this year!** Contact Maureen Cannon if you need a gold envelope to join PTA today: msc8898@gmail.com.



Welcome Back from P.E.



We are off to a great year in physical education. The students have been participating in lots of cooperative games as well as getting to know the new friends in their class. Just a reminder to parents...please help your child remember to wear sneakers on P.E. days. Without sneakers students cannot participate in class. Thank you in advance for your help with this.

School Store



The School Store will be opening on October 6th. The store will be open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:05 until 9:20am. The store has items that range in price from .25 up to \$3.00. A sampling of items is on the website under school store.

Altoids Tins



Mrs. Peg Bossemeyer, Grade 1 teacher, would love you to send in your Altoids and other small tin boxes for use in her classroom. Please drop them off in the office. Thank you in advance!



PAPA JOHN'S PIZZA NIGHT !!

Papa John's of Jacksonville (next to Blockbuster on Sweet Air Road) is partnering with Jacksonville Elementary School on the last Wednesday of every month.

Our school will receive **15%** of all sales on these days. Just mention that you are a JES family when ordering and our school will receive a check from Papa John's. And, for these days only, Papa John's will deliver to the Hunt Valley Station area.

Easy Money for Jacksonville--Just Shop!!!!

Last year, Jacksonville earned over \$5,500 just from you all registering your grocery store cards! By designating Jacksonville Elementary as your school on your store card, every time you shop at Giant or Safeway and use your store card, our school earns money. You may register more than one school too! This is an easy way to help our school and it only takes a few minutes. If you have already registered with the program, your account has been renewed. If you haven't registered your card yet, it's so easy!!! Here's how:

- for Safeway: go to www.escrip.com click on register now and enter our group ID number, 6520382, and then enter your Safeway information
- for Giant: go to www.giantfood.com/aplus and click on register your card and our school code is 03019
- OR
- fill out the forms under events/activities on the JES website and send them in to school with your child and we'll do the entering for you

Please call or email Anne Young (410)683-3382 / abydmy@yahoo.com with any questions.

Thank you!

Notes From The Nurse



H1N1 and Seasonal Flu: As you may know, flu (seasonal and H1N1) can be easily spread from person to person. Baltimore County Public Schools has a plan to help reduce the spread of flu and to keep our schools functioning as usual but we need your help in doing the following:

- Please talk to your child about the importance of washing their hands and covering their coughs and sneezes.
- Observe for sign or symptoms of the flu such as: fever (100 degrees or higher) with cough, sore throat, a runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, and feeling very tired. Some people may vomit or have diarrhea.
- Sick children need to stay home for at least 24 hours after there is no longer a fever or signs of a fever (**without** the use of fever reducing drugs). Keeping a child with a fever home helps reduce the spread of flu.
- If your child has a health condition that places him/her at risk of flu complications, contact your health care provider at the first sign of illness.
- Plan now for your children's care at home if your children become ill with the flu.
- Stay informed about flu in our area. We encourage you to visit www.flu.gov For more information on what our school system is doing or about flu in our community, visit www.bcps.org and www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/health.

Medication Policy: Baltimore county policy states: If your child needs to take a medication during school hours (prescription **and/or** over the counter medication) the medication must be brought to school by an adult in its original container. **In addition,** a written order from the physician must be brought in with the medication in order for it to be administered in school. The label on the bottle does not serve as a written order from the doctor. Students are not to carry medication to school or self-administer medication during school hours.



Emergency information: Please keep the information on your child's emergency cards up to date. It is very important that I have correct and current phone numbers in order to reach you in case of an emergency. Please call me at 410-683-8351 with any changes.

Fluoride Program: Our fluoride program is up and running. This program is offered to our students (in grades 1-5) whose source of home drinking water is an underground well. It is most beneficial to those who do not already receive daily fluoride tablets at home. Please contact me at 410-683-8351 if your child is not signed up to receive the fluoride treatment at school and you would like to have them be part of the program. Also, please note that fluoride treatments should not be performed within 2 weeks of the placement of braces or the adhesive used to glue the braces will not work to its fullest potential.

Head lice: Sharing; Not always a good thing!

Children like to share but sharing is not always a good thing! Head lice are an ongoing problem in school age children. For this reason I thought it would be a good time to review a few facts about head lice:

- Head lice are wingless insects about 1/8 to 1/4 inch long, or about the size of a sesame seed.
- They cannot hop, fly, or jump.
- Head lice must have human blood in order to survive and cannot thrive on pets.
- They live about 30 days on a human and will starve to death in 2-3 days if not on a human.
- Nits (louse eggs) are yellowish white to tan, smooth, oval shaped structures smaller than sesame seeds and are attached at an angle to the side of the hair shaft. They can usually be found behind the ears or at the neckline where it is warm and dark. The discovery of nits always confirms infestation with head lice.
- Lice are spread by personal contact or by touching any surface or item that has been in contact with an infested person, including bedding, hats, combs, sports helmets etc.
- Symptoms: The first symptom of head lice is persistent itching or scratching at the back of the head or around the ears. Repeated scratching of his/her head may be a sign that the child has head lice. It is also very common for other members of the household to become infested with head lice. Screen all family members and treat **only** if lice or nits are found. Contact the school nurse if you would like her to screen your child (or other family member) for head lice.
- Detection: If your child is observed repeatedly scratching his/her head, check the hair shafts and scalp closely for head lice or their nits (eggs). It is important to check for head lice in good daylight and with a magnifying glass, if needed. ****If your child has head lice contact the school nurse so she can screen close contacts of your child.** Make arrangements to have your child screened by the school nurse **before** returning to school.
- Treatment: Permethrin based medications (such as Nix) are the treatment of choice and may be purchased over the counter. Follow package directions



- closely. Some lice and nits can still be alive when treatment is finished, *it is extremely important to remove ALL of the lice and nits from the hair.*
- Treating the environment: Spraying classrooms or homes with insecticides is **not** recommended. Vacuum floors, rugs, pillows, and upholstered furniture. Wash hats, scarves, clothing, towels, and bed linen in hot water and dry using high heat for at least 20 minutes. Dry clean or tie up non-washable items in a plastic bag for 2 weeks. Soak combs and brushes for 1 hour in rubbing alcohol (or another disinfectant), or wash with soap and hot water (130 degrees F)

The American Academy of Pediatrics and the National Association of School Nurses and the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene do not support excluding students with nits: they recommend schools admit students with nits but no live lice. For more information regarding this policy go to <http://www.bcps.org/offices/sss/health/> or feel free to contact me at 410-683-8351.

Lice are not a health hazard, they do not spread diseases, and their presence is not a sign of un-cleanliness. It is not a disgrace to get head lice because they are not selective who they infest – they can be acquired by anyone. So, if you find that a louse has chosen your family to visit this school year follow the advice given above and most of all be patient and keep your sense of humor. For more information you can visit www.headlice.org .



H.E.L.P.S. CPR Classes

CPR HEARTSAVER AED classes will be held at the following locations this fall. Cost is \$40.00 (includes book) for non-BCPS employees and \$30.00 for BCPS employees. Please contact Doris Eller R.N. 410-683-8351 to register. Space is limited so register early!

- Prettyboy Elementary School : Monday Sept. 21, 2009 4:30 – 7:30 pm
 - Padonia Elementary School: Thursday Oct. 1, 2009 5:30 – 8:30 pm
 - Carroll Manor Elementary School: Thursday Oct 8, 2009 4:30 – 7:30 pm
 - Pinewood Elementary School: Wednesday Oct 14, 2009 4:30 – 7:30 pm
 - Sparks Elementary School: October 28th 4:30 – 7:30 pm
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Jacksonville Elementary Annual Fall Fun Fair



Friday, October 2, 2009

4:00 – 7:00 PM

Rain or Shine

**Cake Walk! DJ Frank Spears! Carnival Games!
Nail Art! Magic Dave! Safari Spin!
CANDY SHOP! And Lots More!!**

All food items will be CASH ONLY

Pizza * Pit Beef * Sausage * Chick-fil-A * Ice Cream

Don't forget to sign up to work a time for your child's classroom booth

**ORDER TICKETS FOR AMUSEMENTS, GAMES, AND
CANDY IN ADVANCE AND SAVE!**

For More Information, Contact Michelle Stack at mstack1@comcast.net

**FALL FUN FAIR ADVANCE TICKET
REQUEST**

**Due no later than 4:00 pm
September 25, 2009**

Sorry, no exceptions!!!!!!

**AVOID THOSE LONG TICKET LINES AT THE FAIR.
ORDER IN ADVANCE AND SAVE!**

NOTE: ALL FOOD IS CASH SALE ONLY-NO TICKETS

Return this form in a sealed envelope marked

Fall Fun Fair Tickets

No later than 4:00, September 25th

Each ticket has a value of \$0.25 and can be purchased in \$5.00 increments. **Buying in advance gives you 24 tickets for the price of 20!** Please indicate your requested amount below and send your payment in an envelope with this form to your child's teacher marked Fall Fun Fair Ticket Order. **Also note: The child whose name appears below will receive all the tickets at dismissal time on October 2nd.** If you would like another child to receive some of these tickets, send in a separate Advance Ticket Sales slip for that child. Please make checks payable to Jacksonville Elementary PTA. **The deadline for advanced ticket sales is September 25th.**

Child's name: _____

Child's teacher: _____

Note: To assist with your planning, we wanted you to know there will be up to 20 different games and activities, most requiring 2 to 4 tickets each.

Amount of tickets

_____ \$5.00 _____ \$10.00

_____ \$15.00 _____ \$20.00

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Parent Name: _____

Phone Number: _____



Wanted: Stuffed Animals

We are looking for stuffed animals in **excellent** condition to join a new Habitat, the Safari Spin, at the Fall Fun Fair! Now is your chance to clear out the closet overflowing with forgotten stuffed animals. They will be excellent prizes for the Fall Fun Fair! Animals in all sizes are needed. Look for the Safari Holding Cage in the JES lobby the week of 9/21!

Cake Walk Donations for Fall Fun Fair

We are requesting food donations for the very popular Cake Walk. For families with several children in school, only one donation per family is necessary. Store bought desserts are welcome!

The suggested treats for grade levels are:

- Kindergarten - A whole, unsliced cake or dessert
- Grade 1/Outreach - A whole, unsliced cake or dessert
- Grade 2 - A whole, unsliced cake or dessert
- Grade 3 - One batch of rice crispy squares (bagged for individual consumption)
- Grade 4 - One batch of brownies (bagged for individual consumption)
- Grade 5 - Two dozen chocolate chip cookies (bagged for individual consumption)

PLEASE MARK ANYTHING WITH NUTS!

Please drop off desserts to room 3 by noon on Friday, October 2nd
Thank you!

Please tear off and send into your child's teacher by Wed., September 30th

Any questions? Please contact:

Kristin Nause kknause@comcast.net / 410-472-4511

Laurie White winterbean@gmail.com / 410-561-1711

Cake Walk Donation - Fall Fun Fair

Name _____

Donation _____

Teacher _____

Email/Phone # _____

Outreach News

School Supply Drive

Thank you for all of the school supplies we collected for Hawthorne, we sent 2 huge bins of composition books, book covers, folders, pencils, paper, markers, crayons, backpacks, etc.

A big thank you to Maureen Cannon for delivering the items to Hawthorne on Friday.

Beans and Bread

Just a reminder that we will be making lunches on Wednesdays this year. Also students will be placing the lunches in the lobby on a cart rather than outside of their classroom.

A thank you to Laura Olsen and her husband who's company donated a check to purchase the big brown lunch bags for our drive. The Beans and Bread Program needs 5.000 bags per year.

THANK YOU

Thanks to all of the committee members from last year for their help with collecting and counting drive goods, driving lunches and other items to various locations. We are able to do so much for so many because of your generosity of time and goods!

COAT, BOOT AND SWEATER DRIVE

9/25 - 10/8

Check your closets over the long weekend, 9/26-9/28 for any gently used coats, boots or sweaters that are too small. We will be giving the collected items to our friends at Hawthorne Elementary.

The Hospitality Committee Has Gone Green!

The hospitality committee is now using plates that are made from sugar cane fiber, napkins that are processed chlorine free and coffee cups that are biodegradable!! We are also using cloth tablecloths as opposed to the plastic ones. So now you can step up to the table and grab plenty of snacks with a little less guilt. You are always welcome and encouraged to bring your own mug to events such as the Volunteer Training session on the morning of the 25th and American Education Week. We will also make sure that we have the blue trash cans for recycling plastic bottles and soda cans handy, please help us keep Jacksonville green by making sure we use them ☺.

A Huge Thank You to The Amazing Bakers!!

I would like to thank all of the people who helped me out this year with providing yummy treats for the Welcome Back Breakfast, the New Parents Welcome Night and the two Back to School Nights. Your help is much appreciated and you all never cease to amaze me with the fabulous goodies that appear! So.....THANK YOU Kathy Annis, Cara Bowman, Meghan Brody, Donna Cole, Kaye Einbrod, Carolyn Hrdlick, Jackie Isola, Sheila Keating, Maureen Kelly, Laura Mitchell, Jenn Reda, Laura Reiners, Ellen Rozics, Amy Rudai, Michelle Scheetz, Amy Valentino, Diane Waite, Kerry White and Laurie White!! For those of you that have signed up to work with the hospitality committee this year, I will be in touch soon ☺. I look forward to working with all of you and having a great year! Lisa McClellan

Carroll Manor Rec Council

Please check out the CMRC activities and programs. We have flyers listed under events on the JES website. In addition, also under events is a link to the CMRC website. Some of the programs being offered are Yoga for Kids, Fitness & Aerobics.

Early Bird Gym...Attention 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders!!!

This program runs for 6 week sessions throughout the year from 8:00am - 9:05am. The 1st session is September 21 - October 30. Early Bird Gym gives your child a chance to start the day with fun games and exercise. The students will participate in a variety of active games that follow the P.E. program and have the opportunity to select some of their own favorite games. If interested flyers are available from Mrs. Lee (P.E. teacher) with the cost and details.

**JACKSONVILLE ELEMENTARY
PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION**
3400 Hillendale Heights Road
Phoenix, Maryland 21131



September 17, 2009

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

What a great start! The first day of school went smoothly and by the end of the week, the kindergartens were pros! Welcome to all of our new Jacksonville families. I really enjoyed meeting you at the New Parent Welcome night and look forward to working with you through out the year.

I hope everyone liked the new format for Back to School night. Thank you to Lisa McClellan and her band of bakers for the wonderful hospitality. Please contact me if you have any comments or suggestions in regards to future Back to School nights.

Our JET FUEL campaign has begun! All JES families should have received the campaign brochure in the mail, which included your commitment form. The PTA has set a goal of \$25,000 and is asking that each family contribute \$50 per child enrolled at Jacksonville. Thank you for your support.

The annual Fall Fun Fair is scheduled for Friday, October 2nd, less than a month away and we need your help! Please sign up to work your homeroom booth for a 45-minute shift during the evening.

Mandatory Volunteer Training

Thursday, September 24th 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Friday, September 25th 9:30am – 10:30am

All JES volunteers must attend this volunteer training session. The next training will not be available again until American Education week in November. In addition, a short meeting will follow the Friday training for all Room Parents. One room parent from each class is required to attend. Younger children are welcome.

I challenge everyone to get involved this year! There are so many opportunities to give back to this great school community.

Respectfully,

KK Proefrock
JES PTA President



Commitment Form

Show your support by completing this form and returning it to school.
Please make check payable to JES PTA.

_____ I would like to make a tax deductible contribution to the **JES Jet Fuel campaign** in the amount of \$_____.
(\$50 per child recommended)

_____ I would like someone to contact me about my company matching my Jet Fuel contribution.

Contact Information (Please Print Clearly)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

E-mail _____

Thank you for your support!