



## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

### October 5, 2016

Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup>  
Jackson School Spirit Day



Everyone in Grades 1 to 3 will be getting a new yellow spirit day shirt to wear at Friday's Spirit Day Assembly. Kindergarten students were given new shirts in June- don't forget to wear it!

### **\*\*IMPORTANT DATES\*\***

**NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

**MONDAY, 10/10/2016 Columbus Day**

**TUESDAY, 10/11/2016 Staff In-service**



Cough drops are considered a medication and must be dispensed through the school nurse's office with parental consent. For the safety of our students, please do not send in bags of cough drops for your child's desk. Cough drops can be a choking hazard and are a short term fix for soothing a cough. Sending in a water bottle for your child to sip on throughout the day is a more effective way to comfort an irritated throat. Thank you for your cooperation.

Walk to School Day- What a great start to our day today!

Over 300 students, family and community members began our 1.5 mile Walk to School from Lowes parking lot. Many smiles and discussions happened as we enjoyed the sunshine and each other's company. Thank you to our PTO for sponsoring the breakfast after our walk.



Senior/Student Multiplication Bingo was a huge hit today as students paired up with new friends from the Senior Center as we competed for vertical, diagonal and horizontal lines. Our fast facts sure did come in handy as we raced to see who could cover as many squares as possible. When a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader asked the visitors on the way out, "Will you come back in the Spring for Division Multiplication?" there were many smiles and assurances that they would be here. One gentleman told the kids, "As long as I don't have to miss my lunch I will be here." The student quickly responded, "Oh we never miss lunch!"



**10/14/2016**

**Patriots Day - wear your Patriots Shirt**



**October 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Wear Pink Day – Breast Cancer Awareness**



**Plainville Public Schools is seeking substitute school nurses. The rate of pay is \$110 per day. If you know anyone who might be looking to substitute as a school nurse for our schools please have them contact the offices at 508-699-1304 or 508-699-1312. Thanks so much.**

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Social Media Policy- please remember to review our school social media policy. We set a strong example for our children with our actions (and posts). If you have any questions or would like a paper copy please call the office at 508-699-1304 and we can send one home.

[http://www.plainville.k12.ma.us/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=1683&dataid=2370&FileName=PotentialLegalIssues\\_SocialMedia.pdf](http://www.plainville.k12.ma.us/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=1683&dataid=2370&FileName=PotentialLegalIssues_SocialMedia.pdf)

To kick-off Bullying Awareness Month we had author Nicole Cannella visit Jackson school this past Monday. She addressed the importance of our words and the power we have in making our school and world better with our actions. She read her book **The Ribbit Exhibit** with the children and followed up with fun, interactive activities to highlight compassion, empathy and awareness of bullying and exclusion. This was a wonderful connection as Nicole is not only a published author, but also a Plainville resident.

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you!

**Donations – If by chance you are looking to send in a school or classroom donation-**

**we are always looking for baby wipes. If you wanted to drop off or send in a package to the front office we will deliver to classrooms requesting them.**



**Picture Retake – October 24<sup>th</sup> – If you child missed school pictures or if you wanted a retake done LifeTouch will be here on Oct.24<sup>th</sup>.**

## Friendly Reminder:

Our Plainville policy for absences states that if a student is absent for five or more consecutive days a note should be provided by a doctor stating the reason for absences. If an absence has been due to a contagious disease, parents are requested to call the school nurse at 508-699-1321 as soon as possible. The policy does state that the principal make reasonable effort to meet or notify any family who has missed five or more unexcused school days. Students are tardy if they arrive after 8:50 am. Drop-off students will need to come to the front entrance of Jackson after 8:50 to be signed in. The purpose of this is to develop steps to improve student attendance and/or punctuality. The state of Massachusetts requires that any person of elementary school age attend school each day it is in session. Regular and punctual school attendance is essential for success in school. Thank you so much for working together on this. School should be a happy, healthy place for all out students to be.

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## FOLLOWING THE RULES:

### WHY IS IT SO HARD SOMETIMES?

Come hear about strategies for helping students follow rules and expectations.

#### Parent Coffee Hour

Wednesday, October 19 10:00 a.m.

Conference room A Jackson School

#### Parent Information Night

Wednesday, October 19 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Jackson Library

Jackson Library

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Community events for new activities that are going on in the Plainville/King Philip area.

<http://www.painville.k12.ma.us/Page/1905>

## UP COMING EVENTS

10/5/2016 7:45 AM - 11:00 PM Walk to School day  
10/5/2016 10:00 AM Senior Center Multiplication Bingo  
10/5/2016 4:15 PM - 5:00 PM Jackson School Council  
10/7/2016 1:30 PM - 2:15 PM Jackson Shirt Spirit Day - Slideshow -(wear your Jackson School shirt)  
10/10/2016 Columbus Day - NO SCHOOL  
10/11/2016 Staff Inservice - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS  
10/12/2016 7:00 PM PTO Meeting - Wood School  
10/14/2016 Patriots Day - wear your Patriots Shirt  
10/19/2016 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Parent Coffee Hour  
10/19/2016 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Parent Information Night  
10/19/2016 7:00 PM SEPAC Meeting (Jackson Media Center)  
10/20/2016 Discovery Museum Presentation - Grade 3  
10/21/2016 Breast Cancer Awareness Day - wear something pink  
10/21/2016 Progress Reports Home  
10/24/2016 Jackson Picture Retake  
10/25/2016 6:00 PM School Committee Meeting  
10/27/2016 9:45 AM Duck for President Show - 1M  
10/28/2016 (J) Halloween Social  
10/31/2016 Black Cat Spirit Day - wear all black (cat ears are allowed)

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