

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER September 21, 2016

Thank you to everyone for their generosity during last week's Food Drive. We were able to collect many canned/dry goods to donate to the Plainville Food Pantry. Our raffle winners are:

William C. won Mrs. Siddall's Mystery Bag

Juliette I. won lunch with Mrs. Durand

Emilia M. won gardening with Mrs. Roberts



Jacob K. will be creating a lesson with Principal Campbell to teach his class

Ian P-U will be playing checkers with Mrs. Baker

Haylie W. gets to have her nails painted by Mrs. Graham

Justin O. has some extra gym time with Mrs. DelGrosso

Megan L. will be able to wear the Jackson jaguar suit on our next spirit day.

We feel holding a food drive is a wonderful way to teach our students how to make a difference in their community. Thank you for supporting us.

We will be having another food drive in November.



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND

WEAR YOUR ORANGE, YELLOW OR RED to celebrate the first day of autumn.

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.



Volunteers are needed for our Literacy Bag program at the Jackson School. This program is a project sponsored by the Jackson School Council to promote a home/school literacy partnership. The Literacy Bag program is a traveling library that delivers books to all K-3 grade classrooms and is distributed by parent volunteers. We need volunteers to keep this great program running. So if you have a couple of hours to spare once a month please consider helping with this program. If anyone is interested in volunteering, there will be a meeting on Friday September 30th at 930 a.m. in the Jackson School cafeteria. If anyone is unable to attend this meeting but is interested in helping out please contact Tracy Cataldo at <u>tcataldo@caregroup.Harvard.edu</u>.

Thanks again! Tracy Cataldo



Bullying Awareness Month

October is National Bullying Awareness month. At Jackson we are committed to creating a safe environment for our children that encourages good decision making. Mrs. Griffin and Mrs. Skeffington will spend the month meeting with classes and discussing what bullying looks like vs annoying or unkind behavior. We will be kicking off Bullying Awareness Month on October 3rd with a presentation by Nicole Cannella called "**The Ribbit Exhibit**". Nicole is a known author who has written children's books on compassion, empathy and awareness of bullying and exclusion. We will have 2 presentations in the afternoon for grades K-3. Kindergarten Free Lunch Thursday September 29th Our food service department would like to offer all new kindergarten students a free lunch on September 29th.



Menu

School Made Cheese Pizza Garden Salad with Lite Italian Dressing/Jello Carrot Sticks/Apples from the Big Apple/Milk

Other main entrée choices that day areChicken Patty, Chef Salad or Bagel with Sunbutter, Jelly and Cream Cheese along with all of the other fruits, vegetables and milk listed above.

All For Free! Your child will order lunch in the morning and walk through the cafeteria line- no payment required. How great is that?

Contact Judy White @ jwhite@plainville.k12.ma.us 1(508)-699-1329Pay on-line is easy and convenient. Contact Judy White's office for your child's unique id number or go to myschoolbucks.com to make payment.

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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



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

http://www.plainville.k12.ma.us/Page/1905

UP COMING EVENTS

9/21/2016 7:00 PM SEPAC Meeting (Jackson Media Center)9/22/2016 Harvest Spirit Day - wear orange, yellow or red9/27/2016 6:00 PM School Committee Meeting

10/4/2016 6:00 PM School Committee Meeting

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

10/19/2016 7:00 PM SEPAC Meeting (Jackson Media Center)

10/21/2016 Progress Reports Home

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)

Kate Campbell

Principal