



## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

May 19, 2016



**Special  
Olympics**

Another great year for our **SPECIAL OLYMPICS**. The time, energy and organization spent preparing for this event is to be commended. Our superstars had a great day on the fields today. Games, water races, snacks, dance-a-thons and a whole lot more made today a day to remember! Thank you Jackson staff and students.



**May 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Be a Patriot Day-**

**WEAR YOUR RED, WHITE & BLUE**



**May 25<sup>th</sup> - Grade 3 Group Class Picture- We will be having our 3rd graders take a final picture as a group before they head over to the " Big Wood School" in September.**

**May 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Flanders Field Show – 2E – 9:45 a.m.**

**May 27<sup>th</sup>**

**JA For A Day –K & 1 This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to work collaboratively with individuals from the community work force.**



**May 30<sup>th</sup>**

**NO SCHOOL**

**May 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Grade 3 Field Trip – Plymouth Plantation**



MARTIN

**Don't be late! The buses usually leave right after**

**morning announcements.**

**Peanut snacks- IMPORTANT IMPORTANT!!!** Please remember we have a no-peanut policy for academic areas. This means students cannot eat foods with peanuts during class snack time. We have peanut-safe tables in the café but that is the only location peanut products are allowed. Please be very mindful of this when packing snacks. We appreciate you working together with us to keep all our kids safe.



Bus Safety- We have been having reminder discussions with students focusing on appropriate bus behavior. If your child does take the bus please take a minute to remind your child about staying in their seats, no screaming, and no eating, and keeping hands to themselves. Thanks so much!



Upcoming fire drills- now that the weather is warmer we will be having a few more fire drills before the end of the year. The fire department does ask that after the first drill we have “unannounced” drills so the students learn to evacuate the building quickly, quietly and safely. Teachers have classroom protocols in place that they discuss and prepare the students for when they do hear the fire alarm.



Mrs. DelGrosso our PE teacher is looking for parent volunteers for Field Day on June 8 (rain date June 9). It is a great day for our kids when we have lots of helping hands on board. Please email Mrs. DelGrosso at [tdelgrosso@plainville.k12.ma.us](mailto:tdelgrosso@plainville.k12.ma.us). You will need to be up to date with your current CORI form if you plan on volunteering for the day.

Thank you!!



Any Master Gardeners out there? Now that our fence is in and the weather is warmer we are looking to open our beautiful new Jackson Garden. Please send an email [kcampbell@plainville.k12.ma.us](mailto:kcampbell@plainville.k12.ma.us) if you have any time to help us design a plan for our garden.

PS- you truly don't need to be a Master Gardener- anyone who doesn't mind getting dirty, can water seeds and can pick weeds is welcome 😊

## SEPAC MEETING

June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016

JACKSON SCHOOL 7:00 p.m.

If you are moving this summer please let Mrs. Roberts in our front office know, (508-699-1304). We can assist you in transferring current school records to your new school.



# DARE to Dream

[www.daretodreamsummer.com](http://www.daretodreamsummer.com)

DARE to Dream Summer Day  
Program serving the communities of  
Norfolk, Plainville and Wrentham, MA

## Grade 3 Parents

Our deadline is fast approaching! Please note that on our registration form that the due date is **May 23, 2016 (Monday)** to enroll your child in our DARE to Dream Summer Day Program. Please note that registrations received after May 23 are subject to a \$25.00 late fee as noted on form. We thank you for your cooperation and look forward to another solid summer at DARE to Dream in 2016!

Officer Steve Plympton

DARE to Dream Staff

# PARCC Update for 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders did a terrific job during their first testing session this past Monday. We all headed over to the Wood School where all of the PARCC testing will be done this year. The students seemed to feel comfortable with the technology and the tools needed. Teachers felt their classes handled the practice test exceptionally well.

Our upcoming days for PARCC are listed below: On the days listed we will start the testing at 9:00 and the tests run between 60 and 90 minutes per session.

May 24<sup>th</sup> MATH

May 26<sup>th</sup> MATH

June 1<sup>st</sup> MATH

June 2<sup>nd</sup> Math

Parents: On days of testing it is important to have a great night sleep, a good breakfast and get to school on time. If your child misses a testing session we will have to plan a make-up session when they return.

**Dear Plainville Families,**

**Below you will find a Family Placement Input Form. This is an opportunity for families to share feedback on your child's learning style for the upcoming school year.**

**Our teachers work very diligently determining the best placement for their current students. This is a process both administration and teachers take seriously. If you are interested, please feel free to add any information that you think would be important for us to know. Remember we do not take teacher requests.**

**We ask that you return these forms to the front office of the school your child attends by May 24th. If you normally receive a paper copy we will send one home to you, if you would like to have a paper copy sent home just let the office know and we will send one.**

We want to share with you a shift in this year's Step-Up Day routine. This year we will be holding a Step-Up to Your New Grade Day. During the last week of school we will have each grade take a few minutes to travel to all of the next year classrooms. This also includes 3rd grade visiting Wood School, 6th graders have already visited the middle school. The students will travel as a class and visit their "potential" classrooms. If there are five grade level classrooms they will visit each classroom for 5 minutes. This will provide the students a vision of the locations and some faces for the upcoming year.

One reason for this shift is due to the lateness of our Town Meeting (June 6th). When positions are pending on the budget approval there are often many "unknowns" at the end of the year. Unfortunately, last year we had many teachers needing to send out letters informing students they were no longer their teacher due to shifts in positions. This can be hard for our young students. There were many tears when students had to find out they were going to have a different teacher than they had met on Step-Up Day. A second reason is the logistics of the day. Previously, students would be called into line to travel into their new class, when students saw who was in line with them they sometimes shouted with joy, but this also caused many students to become upset if they didn't see their closest friends with them. We did have many tears last year during Step Up Day. Our intention is for a positive experience for our students and we feel having the anticipation of opening a letter at home with family will reach this goal best. We have amazing teachers in Plainville- students should be excited for whatever class they are assigned to. We anticipate after interviews are all done and the positions have all been confirmed, we will notify families of their child's future teacher. We will send out mail notifications 2 weeks after the end of school all homes. It will also be wonderful opportunity for you and your child to hear the exciting news of their new teacher together.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact [kcampbell@plainville.k12.ma.us](mailto:kcampbell@plainville.k12.ma.us) for K-3 incoming Jackson students and [rrpratt@plainville.k12.ma.us](mailto:rrpratt@plainville.k12.ma.us) for our students that will be attending grades 4-6 at the Wood School.

Have a great week everyone!

## Family Placement Input 2016

Your input regarding your child's education experience at Jackson School is valuable. Please do keep in mind the purpose of this opportunity is NOT to request a teacher, but rather to provide us with information you feel is important for us to know related to particular strengths/weaknesses, special interest, peer conflicts, physical or mental health issues, or dietary considerations. We thank you in advance for your support and input in this process.

1. Please write your child's name below.

2. Please indicate your child's CURRENT grade and teacher. (Ex 2 – Jones)

3. Please write your name below.

4. Please list your child's top three strengths.

5. Please indicate if there is an area of relative weakness that you want us to be aware of.

6. Are there peer conflicts (based upon previous experience) that may interfere with learning?

7. Please list any physical or mental health, or dietary considerations we should be mindful of.




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 ☆ Presents a special ☆  
 ☆ Two-day program for ☆  
 ☆ Grade 3 students! ☆  
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Monday, July 18 and Tuesday, July 19, 2016  
 9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.  
 Sweatt Field, Wrentham, MA

**July 18**

- Safety Lessons
- Arts and Crafts
- Physical Activities
- Magic Show



**July 19**

**Carnival Day !**

(Lots of wholesome fun)

- Face-painting
- Games
- Jumpy House
- Rainforest Presentation!



*\*Students should bring a water bottle, sunscreen, hat, and a bag lunch each day.*

Please complete the attached registration form and submit it by  
 May 23, 2016 with your payment of \$125.00 to:

Chief James Anderson  
 P.O. Box 247  
 Wrentham, MA 02093

*\* There's an additional \$25. fee for late applications.*

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### Plainville Public Library Children’s Room Spring Events

#### Ongoing Events

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:15 am  
 Mother Goose on the Loose  
 A bouncy and interactive time for pre-literacy fun, featuring music, stories, rhymes, puppets and felt boards. A must-do for babies and toddlers.  
 Drop in

Mondays - 5/30  
 4:00 – 5:00 pm  
 Tween Reads Book Club  
 Kids in 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade get together to snack, chat and discuss the book of the month. April’s book is *Lost in the Sun* by Lisa Graff. May’s book is *Stella by Starlight* by Sharon M. Draper  
 To reserve a copy and RSVP - <http://goo.gl/tWHPLa>

# LOOKING AHEAD

<b>May 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Grade 3 PARCC</b>
<b>May 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Be a Patriot Day- WEAR YOUR RED, WHITE &amp; BLUE</b>
<b>May 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Grade 3 PARCC</b>
<b>May 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Grade 3 Group Class Picture</b>
<b>May 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Grade 3 PARCC</b>
<b>May 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Flanders Field Show – 2E – 9:45 a.m.</b>
<b>May 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>JA For A Day – Kindergarten K &amp; 1</b>
<b>May 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>No School – Memorial Day</b>
<b>May 31<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Grade 3 Field Trip – Plymouth Plantation</b>
<b>June 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Grade 3 PARCC</b>
<b>June 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Kindergarten Field Trip – WWI, Police &amp; Fire (Rain date 6/13/16)</b>
<b>June 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Grade 3 PARCC</b>
<b>June 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Kindergarten Orientation 9:30 &amp; 1:15</b>
<b>June 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Student Mentoring Celebration - afterschool</b>
<b>June 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Grade 3 Windows on Wildlife</b>
<b>June 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Grade 1 Field Trip- Roger Williams Zoo</b>
<b>June 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Mrs. Siddall’s Class Slide Show 9:45 a.m.</b>
<b>June 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Jackson School Field Day (June 9<sup>th</sup> rain date)</b>
<b>June 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Last Day for Preschool</b>
<b>June 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Preschool End of the Year Party</b>
<b>June 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Grade 2 Field Trip – Science Museum</b>
<b>June 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Jackson School Slide Show 1:30 p.m.</b>
<b>June 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Last Day for Kindergarten</b>
<b>June 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>SEPAC Meeting</b>
<b>June 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> &amp; 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Kindergarten Screening</b>
<b>June 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Hawaiian Spirit Day</b>
<b>June 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Last Day of School! - Half day – NOON DISMISSAL</b>

**Mrs. Campbell**