

THE LION'S PRIDE

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JAMES JOHN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

A Note from Ms. Ragaisis,

What an amazing start to the school year! We are so pleased to welcome our students and families to our learning community. As a staff we are committed to making this year exceptional for student success in academics as well as in student celebration. We are working to build classroom communities, student stamina, and learning about each child's strengths and areas of growth.

While we are dedicating every minute we have in the classroom for student growth, we cannot do this alone. I ask that you also spend time at home helping. Reading daily is one of the most important ways for our students to become better readers. Slip in some Math too!!!!!!

As your child's principal, my door is open to you. Should you have classroom specific concerns or questions, it is always best to communicate with your child's teacher first. Should you have any questions, worries, wonders, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to call me at 503-916-6266 or email me at sragaisis@pps.net.

GO LIONS!

Much respect;

Samantha Ragaisis
Principal



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 2015

15th – PTA Meeting

@ 6:00 – 7:00

16th – late opening

@ 10:00

28th – SUN School begins

October 2015

2nd – Spirit Day

TBD

3rd - James John grounds clean up

9:00 – 11:00

7th – Picture Day

9th – Statewide Inservice Day

building is closed

14th – late opening

@ 10:00

20th – PTA Meeting

6:00 – 7:00

21st & 22nd – conferences

no school for students

30th – Teacher Planning Day

no school for students

November 2015

1st – Daylight Saving Time ends

set clocks back 1 hour

4th - Walk To School Day

7:45 @ Community Center

6th – Spirit Day

TBD

7th – James John grounds clean up

9:00 – 11:00

Welcome back James John Students and Families! We are excited to announce our Fall Program which will begin on September 28th and run through November 20th. Applications are due by **Friday, September 18th** and schedules will be sent home with students by **September 25th**.

Registration Days

September 10th Back To School Night Room 35 5:30-7:00pm

September 11th SUN School Room 35 1:30-4:00 pm

Please stop by our office in room 35 to say hello, get involved, or find out more about our programs!

Warmly,

George & Sascha

Applications Distributed: 9/08/2015

Registration Deadline: 9/18/2015

Schedule Confirmations Sent Home: by 9/25/2015

First week of fall SUN Program

9/28/2015 - 10/02/2015

Last week of fall SUN Program

11/16/15 – 11/20/15

Fall SUN School Showcase

Monday – 11/23/15 5:30 - 7:30pm

SUN School welcomes Sascha!

James John SUN School welcomes Sascha as the new Student and Family Support Services Coordinator. Sascha recently graduated from the University of San Francisco with a degree in Communications Studies. She will help run the SUN School program, teach classes and be available to help families with their needs. Be sure to say hi in the halls.

News from the Parent Group

Welcome back! Thank you to everyone who stopped by Burgerville on Tuesday and helped to kick the year off right. Our next night at Burgerville will be Tuesday October 6th from 5:00-8:00pm.

The first PTA meeting will be Tuesday 9/15 from 6:00-7:00pm in the cafeteria. We hope to see everyone there as we discuss our plans for the school year and to answer any questions you may have.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact Christine at jamesjohnvolunteer@gmail.com. Every Tuesday, from drop off until 11:30 we are there for "Helping Hands". This is a program designed to help our busy teachers with classroom projects and crafts. Come whenever you can for as long as you are able to.

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