

THE LION'S PRIDE

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JAMES JOHN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

A Note from Ms. Ragaisis,

On my mind every day at James John is the safety of the students and staff. Before the school year school starts, planning goes into our basic drills that we have throughout the year for all of us to practice the first weeks of school and then once a month until our school year ends. These drills are as follows:

Fire Drill

Earth Quake Drill

Lock Out Drill (All doors locked – we continue to teach)

Lock Down Drill (All doors locked – no teaching, students and staff remain silent) If this becomes a reality, the classrooms are released by either Law Enforcement or by the Principal.

I bring this information to you because during the month of November we are required to practice our Lock Out drill. This drill is mainly used if there is something happening in our neighborhood that we don't want to spill into our building. All of the staff has been trained in each of the 4 drills and your children have been prepared as well.

All of these drills have been approved by the district and observed and coordinated by the Police and Fire Departments at James John. I am confident in our preparedness, but hope we never have to experience any of the drill we practice.

Any questions, don't hesitate to ask!

GO LIONS!

Much respect;

Samantha Ragaisis
Principal



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 2015

30th – Teacher Planning Day
no school for students

November 2015

1st – Daylight Saving Time ends
set clocks back 1 hour

3rd - Burgerville Night
@ 5:00 – 8:00

4th - Walk To School Day
7:45 @ Community Center

6th – Spirit Day
Athletics apparel

7th – James John grounds clean up
9:00 – 11:00

11th – Veterans' Day
building is closed

17th – PTA Meeting
6:00 – 7:00

19th – picture re-takes

19th – S. T. E. M. Night
@ 5:30-7:00

20th – SUN School ends

23rd – SUN School Showcase
5:30 – 7:30

26th & 27th – Thanksgiving Holiday
building is closed



JUMP ROPE FOR THE HEART

Our school is proud to partner with the American Heart Association to help kids with special hearts! Jump Rope for the Heart is a way for kids to help other kids and they do this by getting family, friends or neighbors to agree to donate money to the American Heart Association on their pledge form or a web page. Each student who helps raise money for this worthy cause can also earn prizes. All classes will be participating in this jump rope activity during their regular Physical Education class. The date for Jump Rope for the Heart is the week of **November 2nd-4th**. On Monday the 2nd of November **Christopher, Musgnung, Fast/Furler, Castillo, Pires, Wilcox, Rodriguez and Kropp's class** are jumping. Tuesday the 3rd of November we will have, **Hufford, Baker, Ruth, McIntosh, Horrigan, Grillo, Schneider, Nicholson and Webb** jumping during their class time. On Wednesday November 4th, **Sammons and Keeler's** classes will be jumping. Please have the money and form back to school no later than **November 6, 2015**. The two students who raise the most money for Jump Rope for the Heart in school will have a chance to perform during half time at a Blazer basketball game in the spring.

Thank You,

Terry Schwartzkoph

PE Teacher (503-916-6266 ext. 70827)

Spanish/English Class

Are you an English speaker who would like to learn Spanish? We would like to offer a class pairing English and Spanish speakers for one hour, once a week. We offered this at 5:30 on Wednesday evening but that didn't seem to be a good time. If there is a time that would work for you please contact me, Mark Gast, at chicagomark1960@gmail.com. We have text books, we just need adults who would like to make a friend who speaks another language and learn that language.

Thank you,
Mark Gast

News from the Parent Group

Don't forget Burgerville Night is Tuesday, November 3rd from 5:00-8:00pm. Enjoy a night of no cooking and support the school in the process! You can stop in the office to buy \$10 Burgerville cards and earn even more.

Our next Movie Night is Friday, November 6th and we will be showing Inside Out. Doors open at 5:30 and movie starts at 6:15. Remember this is a family event; all children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult the **ENTIRE** time. Snacks will be available for purchase and the movie is free.

Monday, November 9th is our day to help at the clothing center. We will meet at the school at 9:00 am to drive to the old Marshall campus and be back by 1:30. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Christine Vial at jamesjohnvolunteer@gmail.com.

Parent Coffee Talk is Tuesday, November 10th, right after drop off until 9am. Stop on in and grab a coffee or tea along with light refreshments and join us.

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