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PARENT BULLETIN



November 2018

Message from the Principal:

Time seems to be passing so quickly this year, as our first semester has reached its end. Student hard work, teacher preparation and parent support are the keys to what makes Jacksonville such a wonderful place to work and learn! As report cards get prepared and conferences are set, remember that our children, and the mastery of grade level standards are the focus. We want all children to make growth...and all of them grow at different paces.

Be sure to join us for American Education Week from November 12-November 14, 2018. Our visitation schedule is below:

Monday: Grades 1 and 4 9:30-11:30

Tuesday: K and Grade 2 9:30-11:30

Wednesday: Grades 3 and 5 9:30-11:30

This week is indeed one of my favorites of the year! Our children love to show off their classrooms, and learning. Please remember to bring the copy of your child's schedule and a government ID to get into RAPTOR, if you are not already in the system. When you RSVP, your badge will be pre-printed for you, which will save time the morning of the visit. Please make sure your cell-phone is on silent or vibrate, and we request no younger siblings.

Please plan ahead for a month of busy activities in our building. November 30th is conference day for parents. If you wish to have a conference with your child's teacher, please contact them for a specific time. Please enjoy the coffee and donuts provided by our business partner 7-11! Next time you visit them, tell them thanks for supporting Jacksonville!

Schools will be closed Thursday, November 2nd and Friday November 23rd for Thanksgiving. Please consider donating food for our local food drive, or a turkey to go with one of our holiday baskets. Giving to others is at the heart of Jacksonville Elementary!

We continue to have requests for parents and family to volunteer in the building, which makes us so happy. Please know that you must be volunteer trained and have the completed application and printed certificate to the office **at least 2 weeks prior to your volunteer day**. We will no longer be able to accept applications the day of trips or volunteering. This includes the Cafeteria, trips, and classroom activities.

With that, I hope that each of you have a wonderful Thanksgiving spent with family. Make sure you have an extra serving of turkey, gravy and stuffing! Make sure the pumpkin pie has lots of whipped topping!

With Many Thanks!
Debbie Miller and Marlana Mathis



*Happy Thanksgiving!
To You And Your Family*

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November Calendar

Nov. 6 th	SCHOOL CLOSED
9 th	3 Hour Early Dismissal
14 th	PTA Meeting
16 th	Buster the Bus
20 th	5 th Grade to Philly 3 rd Grade to BMI
22 nd	SCHOOL CLOSED
23 RD	SCHOOL CLOSED
26 TH -30 TH	BOOK FAIR Report Cards go home
30 th	SCHOOL CLOSED –CONFERENCE DAY





NOVEMBER 26TH – 30TH BOOK FAIR

In the JES Library AND Online!

EWALLET NOW AVAILABLE! No more cash coming to school!

See our website! <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/jes>

Your child will be able to visit the book fair on their *regularly scheduled* Library Special Day.

The cost of *most* books is approximately \$6.00 plus TAX.

Please be sure your child knows what they are *allowed* to purchase.

Proceeds benefit JES Library and JET NEWS.

This will be our ONLY book fair this year.

***After-School
Book Fair***

**Wednesday,
November 28 th
4:00 to 5:30**

Payment Info

Sales Tax is 6 %

-EWALLETS available! Money will be available to students AT SCHOOL. (see our book fair website!)

-CHECKS Payable to "Jacksonville Elementary"

-CASH

-CREDIT CARDS

If you would like to volunteer, please contact:

Erin Graff

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Online Book Fair

**November 21-
December 2**

<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/jes>

*****online orders ship directly to school.***

Our Book Fair has a new digital payment option!



No cash on hand the day of the Book Fair? No worries – Scholastic Book Fairs® is now offering Book Fair eWallet as a new payment option.

Simply set up an account and have funds immediately available for your child to shop the Book Fair.

Safe and secure – it's easy shopping with Book Fair eWallet.

How it Works:



To get started, visit our school's Book Fair homepage:
<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/jes>

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Notes from the Nurse:

1. Dry air season: November is the time to remember to put a chapstick and a trial size lotion in your child's backpack for the winter. Heating systems, along with cold temperatures make the air dry for the winter season. Is it helpful for your child to have lotion and chapstick on hand so that they can be comfortable in their learning environment? Some students are prone to nose bleeds as the air dries. Using a humidifier in your child's room is very helpful in hydrating the nasal membranes. A dab of Vaseline applied by an adult on a cotton applicator can also relieve the discomfort of a dry nose.
2. Flu Season: Is here! Please consider getting your child a flu shot if they have not already had one. As a mother and a nurse, I am a big believer in them! The CDC reports approximately 80,000 fatalities from the flu last year. The majority of the fatalities were children and the elderly. Please keep your child home if they have a fever of 100.0 or above. They should remain home fever free without medication for 24 hours before returning to school. Please email me at mducroix@bcps.org and cc the homeroom teacher when your child is absent.
3. Any over the counter medication or prescription medication that you would like your child to receive at school requires a doctor's order signed by the parent. An adult should bring the order with the medication to the health suite.
4. Thanks to all the families who brought a spare set of clothes to keep in their child's locker. This has saved valuable instruction time, many calls home, and parent trips to school. Please remember to bring weather appropriate spare clothing no matter what grade your child is in. Thanks!
5. After several years of flower/greens sales, and a generous PTA donation, I am ecstatic to let you know that I have ordered all new furniture for the health suite! No more ripped chairs and falling apart tables! I am so grateful for the support you have given, and so happy the kids will have a clean and updated environment to come to when they are feeling under the weather. A couple pieces of furniture have arrived already, but the bulk of it should be here in 8-12 weeks. Please stop by to see, if you aren't afraid of the germs! Again, thank you!

