

Jenkins Elementary School Newsletter

Upcoming Events

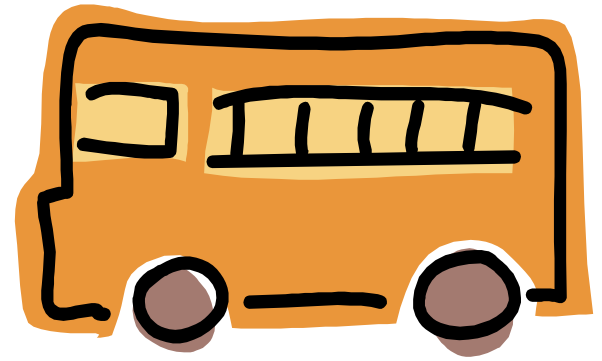
04/10/14: Early Release

04/10/14: Science Spectacular 4-7PM, SHS

04/18/14: Good Friday, No School

04/21-04/25/14: April Vacation

Principal Corner



Dear Parents,

Is the weather finally turning? Will it honestly be Spring soon? Hopefully, we will be able to continue to hold outdoor recess. It was a tough March, as it was just too cold on so many days to go outside. Surely we have seen the last of the frigid temperatures!

The Scituate Public Schools Science Spectacular will take place next Thursday 10 April at Scituate High School from 4 PM – 7 PM. Please be sure to attend the *Second Annual Scituate Science Spectacular*, which is a science event full of fun for the entire family. Make sure to go and see our students' original scientific experiments, get your hands dirty at the hands-on exhibit, compete in the science bee, come visit with your friends and neighbors as they show off how science supports our community, or come hear a talk at the new symposium following the main event.

We have an amazing PTO, which is made up of so many dedicated Jenkins parents. Your PTO contributes to your children's education supplementing curriculum and offering enrichment activities. They have supported, welcomed, and embraced me from the first day I came to this school. The PTO helped my transition to a new community with their warmth and offers of help. During that first year, the PTO Board Members answered questions and offered resources to me, as I navigated my new position. They have been steadfast. However, they need to pass along the PTO batons to some new people. Please consider joining the Board or taking over as a Committee Chairperson. There are lots of opportunities for you to apply your particular talent, as you support our children's educational experience! Please attend an informative PTO Meeting on Tuesday, April 15th at 9:30am in the Jenkins Cafeteria or contact Jenkins PTO Chairs for more information. You can reach them at the email addresses listed here:

Maureen Hayes, robmo_hayes@msn.com

Meredith Nelson, meredith.west.nelson@gmail.com

We have a new staff member at Jenkins. If you have not visited Jenkins lately, you may not know that Cindy Ciessau, our long time administrative assistant, left us for a new position in the Scituate Public Schools Central Office. Elizabeth Burns is our new administrative assistant, and her first day at Jenkins was on this past Wednesday. She is beginning to settle in and is already doing a great job. Please be sure to stop by the office on your next Jenkins visit to meet her.

Please accept my ongoing thanks for partnering with us in order to support your child's academic, social, and emotional growth. We have a wonderful group of children and couldn't ask for more wonderful parents. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Arnold

Learn as much as you can while you are young, since life becomes too busy later.

~Dana Stewart Scott

Friendly Reminders

- **MCAS Dates: March & May**
5/06: Gr. 5 Math
5/07: Gr. 5 Math
5/08: Gr. 3 & 6 Math
5/09: Gr. 3 & 6 Math
5/12: Gr. 4 Math
5/13: Gr. 4 Math
5/14: Gr. 5 Science
5/15: Gr. 5 Science
- Please be mindful that your student should be dropped off at school no earlier than 8:45 AM unless your student has an appointment with their teacher.
- Morning Drop off (8:45 AM to 9:00 AM) & afternoon car pickup (3:20 PM) is at the back of the school building (First Parish Rd. side).
- Please pack an extra snack for snack time this will alleviate snack requests from your student during snack time in the classroom.

Jenkins School Pawtucket Red Sox Incentive Program



Thirty Jenkins students will soon be recognized for their improvement efforts by receiving a free ticket for a PawSox home game, May 27th, along with a special certificate. There will be a special pregame ceremony on the field for those students who attend the game. Jenkins teachers and/or staff members nominated students that they feel made significant improvement during the 2013/2014 school year. This is the sixth year that Our Jenkins School Counselor, Mrs. Riley, has organized this great program. Families love the opportunity to celebrate their child's efforts and catch a great ball game. Please join us to support and celebrate our fantastic Jenkins students on May 27th at the PawSox home game!



Fifth Grade Field Trip:

Fifth graders visited south shore art center to work with visiting artist Susan Luery. They created their own mobiles. Susan is known for her Babe Ruth statue outside Camden Yard in Baltimore.

