



Jacobs School Blue Notes

Notes for the week of September 21, 2009

Dates To Remember

Principal Coffee* – September 30th at 9:30 AM in school office

Parent Workshop – *Promoting Resilience: Words, Strategies, and Wisdom to help children and families face life's speed bumps.* Wednesday, September 30th at 7:00 PM

Early Release – October 1st, Dismissal is at 12:30 PM (lunch will be served)

Picture Day – K - 5 – October 2nd - Preschool Pictures and Make Up Day – November 19th

Principal Notes:

Thank you all for a wonderful Open House. I know that this year was a little different from last year, but we wanted to have the students involved. I look forward to your feedback on how you thought the evening went. Please email me your thoughts/ideas/suggestions at dtobin@town.hull.ma.us. It is always a pleasure for me to see you at the Jacobs School and I appreciate you coming out last night. The book fair has been very busy this week. Remember, it is not too late to stop by for last minute purchases.



*At various times throughout the school year, I will hold a Principal's Coffee. This is an opportunity for parents/guardians to come into the school and meet with the principal, as a group, to share their ideas, comments, and suggestions and to ask questions and gather information. This is just another avenue for me to hear from parents and guardians and for all of you to share your feedback with me and with others. I value input and suggestions and hope you will consider coming. Our first Principal's coffee will be held on September 30th at 9:30 AM in the school office.

Homework Help

The Hull Parent/Caregiver Forum is providing an opportunity for your children to participate in a structured environment to help complete homework or research projects. Starting on September 28, 2009, there will be parent volunteers available on Monday evenings from 6pm - 7:30 pm at the Jacobs School Library. Students can work on projects, use the computers for research, and have parents available for help if needed. This will be an encouraging and supportive environment for you and your child. If your child takes advantage of this opportunity, we do ask the parents to volunteer to support the program at least one session throughout the course of the year. All parents are welcome to participate by staying with your child or volunteering throughout the program. Contact Sherry Kearns at cskearns1@verizon.net.



Bus Reminders

All bus passes have been given out. Students are only allowed to ride the bus that they are assigned. Please do not ask bus drivers to make exceptions. This is unfair to the bus drivers and the other families. Please remind your children that there is no eating or drinking on the bus.

Thank you

Hull PTO Genevieve's Fundraiser

2009 Gift Wrap & Gifts:

Proceeds from this event will be used to fund enrichment programs and other activities at all three Hull Public Schools. Only with your generous support can we continue these programs and provide all our children with these valuable experiences.

Orders need to be returned to the school office or a PTO representative **by Sept 24th**.

Please use the link below to make an online purchase with our **School Account Number. Remember to pass the word onto your family, friends and co-workers!** Internet orders can be placed at www.genevieves.com and will be shipped directly to your home. Free Home Shipment on retail orders of \$70 or more.

Please use School Account Number: 1085

Enjoy Genevieve's all year long. Online ordering will continue to be available after the sale end date. The Hull PTO will receive credit for any order placed under the school account number (1085). Refer to the website for delivery times.

Book Fair: Hull PTO thanks everyone for a very successful book fair week! Please remember:

-The last day to visit the book fair and complete purchases is tomorrow, Friday Sept. 18th.

-Anyone wishing to pre-order the new "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" book must return the order form and payment no later than Monday September 21st. Books will be delivered to classrooms when the book is released in October.

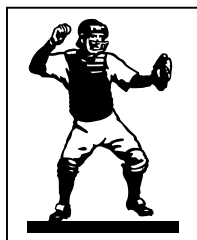
And finally, we encourage any families with preschoolers to come and join us at the book fair tomorrow (Friday 9/18.) Between 11-12 we will read stories from the book fair and at 11:30 we will have a visit by Curious George. Hope to see you there!

Hull Youth Baseball Annual Meeting, Board Election, Coach Interest & Survey

Hull Youth Baseball's Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 29, 2009 at 7pm in the 6th Grade Meeting Room at the Memorial School. All are welcome. At this time, we will be holding board elections. If you are interested in joining the Board, please submit your letter of interest by email to gcalos@verizon.net or drop off at Weinberg's Bakery (attn: Geri Calos) by September 28, 2009. Only those who have expressed interest in writing prior to the 29th will be on the ballot.

We are also looking for coach interest letters for all levels for the 2010 season. If you have an interest in coaching at any of the three levels, please submit a letter by email to gcalos@verizon.net

Tryouts for Division I eligible players will be held October 3rd, 8:30am at L Street Field. If you have any questions re: Division I tryouts, please contact Chris Calos at ccalos@verizon.net or by phone: (781) 925-3904



An Evening for Parents
with
MARIA TROZZI

Wednesday, September 30, 2009
7:00 – 8:30 P.M .

**Promoting Resilience:
Words, Strategies, and Wisdom to help children and
families face life's speed bumps.**

Join Maria Trozzi for an interactive evening where she will explore the typical and not-so-typical speed bumps that children encounter en route to growing up. The speed bumps are inevitable: her refreshing and honest approach focuses on strategies that are often counter-intuitive for parents, but help children master the coping skills that promote resilience.

She will consider:

- Finding the best words and strategies to explain difficult stressful life events to any age child
- To push or not to push, Competition or Cooperation: The race to get ahead and what it means to your child.
- Dealing with life's disappointments: when our children hurt, what to say and *not to say*
- When Rover is old and tired: talking about death with any aged child
- My daddy moved out: finding the child's voice during stressful family ties.
- Grampy no longer remembers my name: when illness strikes a family member.
- The world news events: navigating them for any aged child.

Maria Trozzi, M.Ed., is an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Boston University School of Medicine, a consultant for the Child Development Unit at Children's Hospital in Boston, and Director of the nationally renowned Good Grief Program at Boston Medical Center. Her credentials and expertise have established her as one of the foremost experts on family resilience and loss in the country.

Donna Tobin, Principal
Christine Cappadona, Assistant Principal

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