

Staff Update

January 25, 2019

Better Today than Yesterday, Better Tomorrow than Today.

PURPOSE

Grateful

1-Scott Jones---Scott changed the toilet paper rolls in the bathroom on Thursday. He thought it was a big deal and, well, I'm grateful for his enthusiasm.

2-Susan Cook and our PTO-the author visit on Tuesday was AWESOME! Thank you to Susan for giving our kids such a great experience.

3-Amy St. Pierre-I am so grateful that Amy helped out with the luncheon on Tuesday. She took inventory of what we needed and ran to Kroger to buy some things to round out the luncheon for Steve Harpster's visit!

R Factor Lessons

It's that time again! We should be finishing up our R Factor lessons next week. Please let me know when you class is read for their quiz!

Here is a link to your <u>K-2 Lessons</u> Here is a link to your <u>3-5 Lessons</u>

Snacks are coming to JW!

I am so excited about this! If you don't know Dave Wilson, he is the director of Aramark which is our food service company and he is one of the kindest and most creative people I've had the pleasure to work with. I have been relentless for the past 5 years about my desire to have healthy snacks at school for all of our kids. I told everyone who would listen. I've talked to Dave about it for years and we just couldn't figure out how to pull it off. Well this year, we got a new Wellness Coordinator named Molly Martin. I shared my dream with Molly and she found grant money to pay for snacks for our kids!

So here is the plan:

Next week we will have 2 snack days. These will be a practice to work the kinks out. I'll let you know the days very soon. As of now we have enough money to do snack 3 days per week.

I will confirm grade level snack times and then we will get the snack set up on a rolly cart for you.

Our goal is for two students to have the job of rolling the snacks to your hallway so you can pass out snacks.

Molly Martin has shared some amazing data with me related to snacks for kids in schools. I hope that you will find your students to be more engaged on snack days.

If you do not like your snack time after you try it out, just let me know and we can change it.

We are working on a snack schedule so we can rotate through several different kinds of snacks each week. Some items included in snack time will be-cheese and crackers; various fruits; carrots and ranch; pretzels; yogurt and more. If you have snack ideas, please let me know.

I will be seeking your feedback about snack time but I really hope that it makes a positive impact on our studets.

Fleld Trips

Included in our Building Commitment Plan is an action step related to field trips. I know that 3rd grade is planning to go to the zoo again. I hope that each grade level works to plan a trip for their kids!

Paper Coding Reminders

Here are the <u>links</u> to the K-2 paper coding lessons.

Here are the links to 3-5 paper coding lessons.

Our hope is that you try these in your classroom. When you complete all four lessons your class will earn a SUPER COOL DOLLY BADGE to hang in your classroom.

Printer/Copier

Thank you for printing to the copier! We are already noticing a difference. Remember though-the copier doesn't save what you send! If you don't print it the same day you send it, you'll lose it. I learned that the hard way.

Hall of Fame School nomination

I've been working for WEEKS to complete the nomination form for the Hall of Fame School Award from the Ohio Association of Elementary School Administrators Association. We were nominated by Donna Ball, grandparent of 1st grader Owen Ball. I haven't had to write that much since college! Anyway, I'll keep you updated as I hear what our next steps are. This is quite an honor and the district is very excited about our nomination.

Third Grade Reading Guarantee

It's one test on one day! I do however, what you to know that we only have 11 kids who still need to get the cut score. This is down significantly from the last few years. The hard work we do in grades K-2 are paying off. Your dedication to best practice is the reason we are seeing these results. It is a great feeling to be able to tell worried parents that their children are not at risk for retention.

Data Team Dates-Full Day

3rd: January 30th 2nd: January 31st 1st: February 5th 4th: February 6th 5th: February 7th

Twitter!

I love your tweets! Keep up the great work! When you tweet please add

#jwreason to all of your tweets. This will create a "digital file folder" of all of your tweets so that we can easily access them to share our story.

We can still add other hashtags as well like:

#jwrfactor #jwyou

But always include **#jwreason**

Texting

Remember-we cannot TEXT parents!

No Photo List

No photo lists are up to date and hanging outside of rooms with no photo children.

What's on the calendar:

January 25-Staff Meeting-Mrs. Watson will lead our staff meeting-we will learn about de-escalation and CPI strategies.

JW YOU 3rd week of rotation

January 30-3rd Grade Full Day Data Team 5th grade Band/Orchestra Demo January 31-2nd Grade Full Day Data Team February 1-JW YOU 4th week of rotation

February 4-R Factor Assembly-we will be on an assembly schedule PTO 6:30PM

February 5-1st Grade Full Day Data Team

February 6-4th Grade Full Day Data Team

February 7-5th Grade Full Day Data Team

February 8-Staff Meeting-Urban Zen (more info to come)

JW YOU 5th week of rotation

February 11-14-Conference Week

February 13-Conference Late Night

February 14-ZOO Presentation

February 15-No School

February 18-No School

February 19-K ½ Day Data Team

February 20-CLASS GROUP PICTURE DAY

February 22-Staff Meeting-IGNITE

JW YOU 6th week of rotation (kids will take survey to choose classes after this week)