Dear Parents.

Happy Friday! This certainly has been a busy week at Jockvale and we show no signs of slowing down before the end of the school year.

Thank you to all families who donated money for our CHEO Walk-a-thon. We raised \$2844 for CHEO. We are very grateful for the generosity of our school community!

On Monday and Tuesday, as an extension of the Phys. Ed program, students in Grades 4-6 participated in field hockey clinics hosted by the Nepean Nighthawks. Each class learned about the history of the sport and tried some of the basic skills of field hockey, They learned how to move the ball with the stick and how to shoot into a net. Thank you to Mrs. Sinclair for organizing this on our behalf.

On Wednesday, we completed our third of three mandatory fire drills for the Spring term. We had our best time of the year as all students and staff were out of the building and accounted for in under 4 minutes. Well done Jockvale!

Our grade 6s headed to Cedarview as part of their transition planning. Our students enjoyed touring the facility and meeting new and old friends from other schools in Barrhaven. We were very proud of our students and their behaviour. They were amazing representatives of the Jockvale community!

Additionally, our Kindergarten students were treated to an exciting performance by Yaki. Yaki is a children's performer who travels to different schools and festivals to sing, play his guitar and make balloon animals. Students were entertained by many funny songs and also clapped along, danced and sang with Yaki. Some highlights were his "Big Banana Feet", "Ketchup" and "Kindergarten" songs. Some lucky students even had a chance to go on stage and play some guitar with him. Yaki will be performing on Canada Day at Clarke Fields. We look forward to having him back at Jockvale soon!

Students in Mme Wray and Mme Phillips' classes were treated to an *Eat Together* breakfast activity with a registered dietician on Tuesday. They really enjoyed learning about healthy eating habits and sampling the healthy breakfast foods that were generously provided by Loblaws Barrhaven. Eat Together Day will be celebrated this Friday, June 14 to re-instill or celebrate the JOY of eating nutritious foods. For more information, please visit: https://eattogether.presidentschoice.ca/ We are very thankful for our ongoing partnership with Loblaws!

Thank you to our School Council for organizing our annual Spring Fling. After a long winter, it was fantastic to see so many families out enjoying the evening. A huge thank you to Debbie Hameluck and Krista MacIsaac for the time and effort put into organizing such a successful community event!

On Thursday, we said goodbye to our awesome co-op students Cassandra, Madison, Mohammad, Alex and Emily. We thank them for their contributions to the Jockvale community this semester and wish them the best of luck during their exams. We hope that they will stay in touch!

On Friday, several classes had a special visit from the University of Ottawa Gee Gees. The Bears Kindergarten class had their first experience with rugby, which was new and exciting for them. The grade 5 and 6 boys were able to play rugby with one another, while the girls were away! It was nice to see students from various classes come together to enjoy these sessions! Thank you to Miss Brander for organizing this event.

Our grade 5 and 6 girls headed off to the "Sports Day the Girls Way" at TD Place! The focus of this event, sponsored by Ottawa Sports and Entertainment Group, was designed for girls to see the variety of opportunities there are for women to be engaged in Physical Activity. Not only were all participants provided with a t-shirt, they heard from high profile female athletes and had the opportunity to participate in traditional and non-traditional physical activities. It was amazing to see almost 750 girls participate in the amazing event tailored just for them! Thank you to Miss Brander and Mr. Mac for accompanying the group.

So many parents/guardians, grandparents, friends and community members help us out over the course of the year. Jockvale staff will be hosting our very own DRIVE THRU on **Wednesday, June 19th**. If you have been one of our many amazing volunteers, we hope you will be able to pop by, drive thru the bus lane between **7:30-8:00 am** and pick up a coffee and treat. Invitations were sent home via backpack express. If it did not make its way home, please feel free to drop by. Childcare will be available during this time as well.

On behalf of School Council, I would like to invite you to attend our final meeting of the school year. We will meet on June 18th at 6:30PM in the Library. New members are always welcome!

On Thursday, Grade 3 and 4 students from Mrs. Murphy's and Mme. Khemani's classes will celebrate the Summer Solstice. Students will take part in interactive workshops and performances that share and celebrate the diverse Indigenous cultures of Canada.

We will celebrate our final Spirit Day of the school year on Friday. Students are encouraged to show their Jaguar spirit and participate in Skittles/Rainbow Day. We look forward to brightening up our classrooms with as much colour as possible!

For those families who participate in our food programs, please note that Monday is the final day for pizza, Wednesday is the final day for hotdogs, Thursday is the final day for Subway and Friday is the final day for the milk and juice program.

Finally, we would like to wish all fathers a Happy Father's Day. Enjoy your weekend!

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