Dear Parents,

In staffing news, on Monday, we welcomed Mr. Mike Martin, our new Chief Custodian. Mr. Martin joins us from Half Moon Bay. We said goodbye to Miss T (Trotechaud) who had accepted a full-time contract position at Blossom Park. While we are delighted for Miss T and wish her the best of luck, we will certainly miss her sparkly personality and positivity. Additionally, we have been allocated an additional full-time Educational Assistant. Ms Mogensen joins the Pride effective Monday.

On Monday, Jockvale students, staff, parents and community members honoured Canada's Veterans through our annual Remembrance Day assembly. In addition to several moving media interludes and the annual Wreath Laying Ceremony, our audience was treated to classroom performances of In Flanders Field, Brave Soldat, and the Poppy song. A very big thank you is extended to our student emcees Banin, Emily, Sebastian and Spencer and our student performers and for the time they dedicated to this very special and important event.

A big thank you is extended to all parents who were able to attend our Parent-Teacher interviews last night and this morning. Our school was a busy place with parents, students, and teachers coming together to discuss individual progress this year. (225 interviews were booked using our online booking system!) We truly appreciate the interest, support, and positive feedback received from our parent community and look forward to continuing our conversations throughout the year.

Next week, across Ontario, is Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week to help promote safer schools and a positive learning environment. During this week of awareness, students, school staff and parents are encouraged to learn more about bullying and its effect on student learning and well-being. Here are some resources that might be of assistance to you and your family:

Storybooks

https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=the+recess+queen&view=detail&mid=418538498F7493

269E75418538498F7493269E75&FORM=VIRE

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4xFoR2fiv4s

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Iz1CFUKo9EU

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cNHc2XCultQ

Webpages

http://www.bullyingawarenessweek.org

http://www.prevnet.ca

www.cyberbullying.ca

As the weather continues to change, we would like to remind students that they are to dress warmly for the weather. We appreciate your support in sending your child(ren) to school dressed properly and prepared to be outside to enjoy the fresh air and active play. Living in the Ottawa area, we are accustomed to a variety of weather patterns, but that doesn't often stop us from enjoying the outdoors! We keep a close eye on the forecast, and when necessary, we

have indoor recesses when the weather is inclement, such as steady rain, excessive wind, temperatures or wind chills that fall below -25 degrees Celsius.

We would also like to remind students that they need a pair of indoor shoes for their Phys. Ed. classes. This goes a long way in keeping our gym a clean and safe place for all students to enjoy.

We are currently looking for replacement lunchtime monitors, to call when our regular monitors are sick or unavailable to supervise our Kinder Classes during nutrition breaks (10:30 to 11:30 and 1:15 to 2:15). If you are interested in learning more about this paid position, please contact the office. Janis St-Germain, the Vice-Principal will return your call next week.

Thank you for your support!

Enjoy the weekend!

Robyn

COUNCIL CORNER

- ~ Jingle Jangle This year's Jingle Jangle is scheduled for Thursday, December 12th. Watch for more information through mailbag express next week. We are in desperate need of volunteers who can either pick up items in the weeks leading up to the event or help on the day of. Without volunteers, this event will not be possible. If you are able to assist, please email jockvalecouncil@gmail.com.
- **~Popcorn Fridays are back!** For only \$5.00, treat your child to popcorn on November 29, December 6, 13 and 20th. Popcorn will be popped fresh in the mornings and served fresh for second lunch! Don't miss out! Be sure to return the order form or sign on via <u>School Cash</u> Online.

Orders are due November 22nd if returning the form and November 24th through School Cash Online.

~Parents will begin to receive **Budding Artists** envelops in their children's backpacks. JESC is running this fundraiser to raise funds towards a shade structure in our yard. Treasures are to be delivered before the holiday break, making excellent potential gifts for your friends and family. **Orders are due back by Nov 20.**

If you don't love your child's creation, you can create one with them, using an 8.5"x8.5" sheet of paper.

Please note that the iron trivet, keepsake box and water bottle are not available at this time of the year, as they don't ship well in the cold. JESC apologizes that this note was unclear in the instructions sent home.

~Save the date for the next **movie night on Friday, November 29.** This month there will be two options. The Angry Birds Movie 2 will be shown in the gym for a general audience. Parents are required to supervise their children for this movie. Spider-Man: Far from Home will be shown in the library for grade 5 & 6 students. Consent forms will be sent home next week and they are required to attend the movie without a parent. The cost of either movie is \$3 / person or \$10 / family of 4. Doors open at 6:00 pm and the movies start at 6:30. Pizza, popcorn and other snacks will be available for purchase.

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