JOCKVALE'S FRIDAY MESSAGE - March 1st, 2024





We had a wonderful February Frenzy week and are thankful to the organizing committee, the JESC, and our students and staff for making it such a positive experience! Spirit days, STEM activities, scavenger hunts, collective artwork, and Junglesport made it all worthwhile. We will miss our Junglesport pros, Andrew, Jordan, and Hannah, who were so very kind and patient as our students practiced their balancing and climbing skills. Many students experienced a total shift in their mindset, at first being apprehensive about Junglesport, then meeting the challenge, and finally, embracing new climbing adventures. We hope that February Frenzy 2024 will be memorable for our school and community!

EF56A's BLACK HISTORY MONTH INQUIRY -



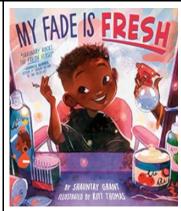
"Every February, Canadian people appreciate the Black people's heritage, culture and services in their communities and across Canada. In EF 5/6A, we have learned about a bunch of famous Black Canadians and their inspiring stories. We had so much fun researching the great personalities and designing our Black History Month posters. Additionally, we got to know that the 2024 theme for Black History Month is: "Black Excellence: A Heritage to Celebrate; a Future to Build" and we are now determined to create a better world for us all. "

Students of EF5/6A



<u>R1A SPREADS KINDNESS</u> - The students in Ms. Waddell's class made pink shirt notes and handed them out to all of the primary classes. They were SUPER excited to make them and even more excited to hand them out. - Ms. Waddell





<u>JOCKVALE LIBRARY NEWS</u> - We've been on a break in the library because of the book fair but everyone was happy to get back to regular library visits this week. We resumed our Forest of Reading books again and this week we enjoyed <u>My Fade is Fresh</u> by Shauntay Grant with art by Kitt Thomas. It's the story of a young girl who visits a barbershop knowing exactly what she wants but gets suggestions from everyone else in the barbershop before she finally gets the cut she's looking for.

SWIM TO SURVIVE - The Swim to Survive program is back! This is an initiative sponsored by the Ministry of Education for all students across the province who are enrolled in grade 3. We're excited that our first group (including 18 students from R3A) will be participating in the program at Walter Baker Sports Centre on March 26th, April 2nd, and April 9th. We will be asking for parent volunteers to help walk to the sports centre and supervise students. Please stay tuned for the permission forms and volunteer requests for the first group next week.

JESC NEWS

The Jockvale Elementary School Council (JESC) is excited to be bringing back three popular fundraisers: Equator Coffee, Purdys Chocolates and Popcorn Fridays. All proceeds from these fundraisers will go directly towards supporting the students at Jockvale.

Details about each fundraiser are outlined below. If you have any questions, please contact sc-jockvalees@ocdsb.ca. Thank you for helping us reach our fundraising goals.



Equator Coffee - Equator Coffee is a locally owned company located in Almonte, Ontario with a new location in Barrhaven! Their coffee and tea are a household favourite not only because it is fair-trade certified, organic and environmentally sustainable, but also because it is locally and freshly roasted, not to mention delicious! The coffee is available as both whole beans and regular grind and this time a larger 2lb bag is also available. Orders can be made through School Cash Online until March 7th. Orders will be available for pick-up on Wednesday, March 27 from 2:30-6:00 pm.



Purdys Chocolates - Purdys is a Canadian family-owned business that specializes in making delicious chocolates. We are ordering from their Easter catalogue and items will arrive in time for the holiday at the end of March. Purdys offers a variety of boxed chocolates, gift baskets, bunnies and foil wrapped minis. Visit Jockvale's fundraising page at: https://fundraising.purdys.com/1523412-116167. Orders are due by March 9 and they must be picked up from the school on March 27th between 2:30 and 6 pm. How to place your order:

- 1. From the Purdys website either: Register as a supporter to create a profile OR Sign-in with an existing account and join the campaign
- 2. Click on 'Shop Online'
- 3. Click on Marketplace to shop (DO NOT use the online order form)
- 4. Checkout by March 9 to pay for your order



Popcorn Fridays are BACK!

Thanks to everyone who participated in this week's Popcorn Friday! The fun continues next week on Friday! Students are invited to bring cash to enjoy a warm, freshly popped bag of popcorn! Bags of popcorn are \$2 and will be available for purchase at second recess! Smaller half bags for smaller appetites will also be available for \$1! Popcorn Fridays will run from now until the end of March!

Have a wonderful weekend,

Loretta and Karl



MARCH 04 - TERM 2 IEPs EMAILED HOME

MARCH 07 - EQUATOR COFFEE ORDERS DUE

MARCH 09 - PURDYS CHOCOLATE ORDERS DUE

MARCH 11 to MARCH 15 - MARCH BREAK - NO SCHOOL

MARCH 20 - JESC MEETING - 6 to 8 pm

Religious/Creed-Based Days of Observance - Ottawa-Carleton District School Board