JOCKVALE'S FRIDAY MESSAGE - April 19th, 2024

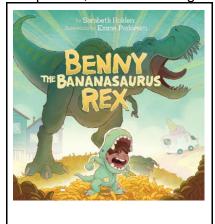


Spring has sprung in R3A! The students in Ms. Burgoyne's grade three class created a beautiful classroom garden that reminds us that soon we will tiptoe through the tulips outside!

EQAO UPDATE - We are planning for the Education, Quality, and Accountability Office (EQAO) 2024 Assessment. This assessment is a standardized test written by all students in grades 3 and 6 across the province of Ontario. The assessment measures student achievement in Reading, Writing, and Mathematics. Please check out the EQAO website for more information about each assessment. Students at Jockvale will be writing the assessment on the following dates:

- Grade 6 Junior Assessment: May 27, 28, 29
- Grade 3 Primary Assessment: May 30, 31, June 3
- Make up days: June 5 and 6

Homeroom teachers continue to prepare their students by introducing them to the online Sample test, available through the link above.



<u>JOCKVALE LIBRARY NEWS</u> - We have a winner! The primary students have voted overwhelmingly in favour of <u>Benny the Bananasaurus Rex</u> as our winner for the Forest of Reading for 2024.

Now we need to wait until May 16th to see how the rest of the province voted!



THE GIANTS ARE COMING TO JOCKVALE!

The cast of 50ish Grade 4, 5 and 6 students is excited to invite all members of our Jockvale community to an evening of musical theater!! Our approximately one hour show is full of witty dialogue, original music and upbeat choreography! It is an event for the whole family!

When: Tuesday May 7th, 6:30pm (Doors open at 6:00pm)

Where: Jockvale Gymnasium

Cost: \$5.00 per person (\$20 maximum per family). Tickets for the Jockvale Community will be sold through School Cash Online beginning Wednesday, May 1st. Tickets will be open for cast member families only beginning Monday April 29th. Buy your tickets early to ensure that you get a seat!

SAFE ARRIVAL SYSTEM (Automated Attendance)



Beginning on April 3rd, 2024, Jockvale started using the <u>Safe Arrival System</u> which is an automated attendance program. The Safe Arrival System will eventually replace some of our current attendance routines, like the Google form.

SWIM TO SURVIVE - Swim to Survive continues next week with a new group of students. Mme Amy will be accompanying grade 3 students from EF23A and R3A to Walter Baker on Tuesday April 23, April 30, and May 7th. Students will depart at 9:30 am and return at 11:30 am. Parent volunteers are asked to stop in the office to sign the OCDSB Volunteer Form when they arrive.

VALUING VOICES STUDENT SURVEY



The OCDSB Valuing Voices Student Survey will run from **April 11 to May 10, 2024**. The survey will have two parts: identity-based (demographic) questions and school climate questions. A letter was sent home by homeroom teachers last week.

If you have additional questions, please visit the OCDSB's <u>Frequently Asked Questions page</u> or contact: valuingvoices@ocdsb.ca or priscila.fuentes@ocdsb.ca (*Jockvale ES school contact*)

JESC NEWS



Movie Night - April 26,

Kung Fu Panda 4, will be shown at the last movie night of the year on **Friday, April 26.** Doors will open at 6 pm and the movie will start at 6:30 pm.

This is a family event and parents are required to attend and supervise their children during the movie to ensure it is a safe environment for all to enjoy. Spectators are asked to remain seated and keep noise to a minimum out of respect for others watching the movie.

The cost to attend is just \$3 per person up to a max of \$10 per family.

There will be concession sales including pizza, fresh popcorn, drinks, chocolate bars, and candy. You can pay for admission and order your food in advance using school cash online, https://ocdsb.schoolcashonline.com/. Pre-orders for food must be made by Wednesday,

April 24, however cash sales will be available on April 26.

Drinks (pop, juice or water), chocolate bars (Smarties, Aero, Kit Kat or Coffee Crisp) and candy (Skittles, Fuzzy Peach or Swedish berries) will be available on a first come first served basis.

Volunteers Needed

Did you know that all after school activities are run entirely by volunteers? This includes movie nights, the Halloween dance, February Frenzy and Spring Fling.

These events would not be possible without adult volunteers. We are looking for 3-4 parents to help with admission and concession sales before the movie on April 26th. You can help out before the movie and still watch it with your kids. We need a lot of help for our annual year-end BBQ, Spring Fling, where tasks will include concession sales and supervising activities.

We hope to have a lot of volunteers each working short shifts to make this event a success and to allow everyone a chance to enjoy themselves. Please email

sc-jockvalees@ocdsb.ca or jockvalevolunteers@gmail.com to sign up.

Have a great weekend,

Loretta and Karl



APRIL 11 - VALUING VOICES STUDENT SURVEY OPENS

APRIL 24 - PRE-ORDERS FOR MOVIE SNACKS DUE

APRIL 26 - JESC MOVIE NIGHT - 6 pm

MAY 07 - SCHOOL MUSICAL

MAY 14 - JUNIOR TRACK & FIELD DAY @ JOCKVALE

MAY 15 - PRIMARY TRACK & FIELD DAY @ JOCKVALE

MAY 23 - TRIP TO MUSEUM OF AGRICULTURE

MAY 27 TO 29 - EQAO FOR GRADE 6

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