# **JOCKVALE'S FRIDAY MESSAGE - OCT. 20th, 2023**



- 1. The Ants Class (KJSA) explores pumpkins
- 2. JESC Halloween Dance Poster

### **JOCKVALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE -**

Halloween Dance is back for the first time in 4 years on October 27th 6pm to 8:30pm \$3 per person or \$10 per family all sales Cash Only.

Please come enjoy baked goods, Professional DJ, lights and a lazer maze in the Gym, party games in the library and a photo booth.

Photo Booth and Bake Sale are not included in admission and are cash only.

Instead of TPing your neighbour, donate a pack of toilet paper or other high need items to the Barrhaven Food Cupboard.

High need items include cereal, school snacks, diapers, wipes and personal hygiene products.

Please email sc-jockvalees@gmail.com if you have questions.

Volunteers and Bake Sale Items (nut free) are still needed please email jockvalevolunteers@gmail.com to sign up.

Costumes are welcome. No Masks No Weapons!

Adults 18+ MUST accompany the children at this school council event.

**HALLOWEEN** - On Tuesday October 31st, 2023, students are welcome to wear their everyday clothes, orange & black, or a simple and appropriate costume to school. If choosing to wear a costume, students must come to school already in their costume and be dressed appropriately to enjoy outdoor recess breaks. Costumes should be simple and for safety reasons students must be recognizable (i.e., no full masks). Props and replica weapons are not permitted. *Educators will plan for inclusive activities, with options for those who are not celebrating Halloween*.



<u>JOCKVALE LIBRARY</u> - This week in the library we have been reading <u>After the Fall</u> by Dan Santat. What would life have been like for Humpty Dumpty if he had been put back together? How would he handle the fears brought on by his great fall? How can he find the strength inside himself to keep trying? It has led to lots of great conversations about how we can face our fears and grow through our challenges.

<u>JOCKVALE ON INSTAGRAM</u> - Jockvale is on Instagram! You can find us by looking up @jockvale.ocdsb, where we share photos featuring student work, class activities, and school events. Check us out!



PHOTO DAY @ JOCKVALE - PHOTOS ARE READY TO VIEW - Photo day took place on Thursday, October 12th, 2023. Every child who had their photo taken was given an individualized card with a code. Please visit greenapplestudio.ca and enter your webcode to access the photos. Families should order their photos by November 2nd to enjoy free delivery to the school. Photo retake day is on November 15th, 2023.

# **SAFETY @ JOCKVALE** -

<u>URGENT: EMERGENCY DISMISSAL FORM</u> - Every fall, we request a variety of information from our Jockvale families. All OCDSB schools have emergency procedures and designated evacuation sites. In case the school needs to be evacuated, we require the information in this form to make arrangements for our students. Our primary evacuation site is John McCrae Secondary School.

Please complete this <u>EMERGENCY DISMISSAL FORM</u> for your child or each of your children that attend Jockvale ES.

Thank you for your support.

LOCKDOWN DRILL - On Thursday, staff and students participated in our first lockdown practice of the year. It was a successful procedure where all student occupied spaces had doors locked and windows covered. Students hid in safe spaces and were extremely quiet for the duration of the practice. Afterwards, we entered into a secure school (where classes resumed activities with doors remaining locked) until it was lifted. We have now completed our required emergency safety procedures for the fall. In the spring, we will once again practice three fire drills and one more lockdown.



SAIDAT - Thursday, October 26th, 2023 - Saidat will be coming to Jockvale! "The Saidat Show brings high-energy presentations and workshops to students from JK to Grade 12. The shows address serious topics with a smile and encouragement, tackling equity, inclusion, social responsibility and helping youth boost self-esteem and better understand how to handle everyday life." We can't wait to host Saidat again this year! SKIING FOR JUNIOR STUDENTS @ MOUNT PAKENHAM - We are thrilled to be planning Ski/Snowboard Days at Mount Pakenham for the first time since Covid! This trip is being offered to our Grades 4, 5, and 6 students as part of our physical education program and is a great opportunity for your child to begin, or continue, their skiing/snowboarding experience.

The four dates that we are tentatively looking at are Thursdays January 18th, 25th, February 1st & 8th.

Students will be bussed to and from Jockvale to Mount Pakenham (about 45 mins away). Students are able to rent equipment or bring their own. All students will receive a one hour lesson each day of the trip, regardless of their previous ability. We estimate leaving the school at 9 am and returning around 5 pm. Students will need to be picked up from school when the bus returns.

All ability levels are welcome, from beginner to advanced! Pakenham has a wide variety of hills and students must be able to pass various levels of tests in order to even get on the chair lift. We recommend students who are new to snow sports choose skiing instead of snowboarding.

In order to finalize our planning, we are asking that all families fill out <u>this expression</u> <u>of interest form</u>. Indicating interest on this form does not mean that you can't change your mind!

Enjoy the weekend,

#### Loretta and Karl



**OCT 26 - SAIDAT @ JOCKVALE** 

OCT 27 - HALLOWEEN DANCE - 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

**OCT 31 - HALLOWEEN** 

**NOV 01 - FRIDAY SCHEDULE** 

NOV 01 to 08 - "I READ CANADIAN" READ-A-THON WEEK @ JOCKVALE

**NOV 03 - PA DAY - NO SCHOOL** 

**NOV 11 - REMEMBRANCE DAY** 

**NOV 15 - PHOTO RETAKE DAY** 

Religious/Creed Based Days & Dates of Significance

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## **JOCKVALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE -**

<u>Jockvale Elementary School Council - October Meeting -</u> The JESC October meeting will be held next Wednesday, October 18th at 6pm in the School Library (and virtually via <u>Google Meet</u>). Everyone is welcome as we discuss our plans for the coming school year. To find out more, check out the <u>agenda</u>. If you were unable to attend our last meeting but are still interested in joining as a voting member, we do have a few seats available. Please email <u>scjockvalees@ocdsb.ca</u> for more information.

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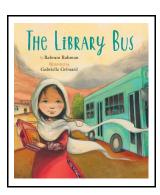
Jockvale Elementary

Volunteers are needed! (the more the merrier or spookier). Please email jockvalevolunteers@gmail.com to sign up.

Donations for Bake Sale are appreciated. Please make sure that they are Nut Free! Please email items to jockvalevolunteers@gmail.com.

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**LOCKDOWN DRILL** - We will be having our fall Lockdown drill at Jockvale at 12:45 pm on Thursday, October 19th, 2023. The drill will take approximately 30 minutes. During the drill, students will be asked to follow the directions of their teachers in their classrooms. The administrators and custodian will then check every classroom to ensure that procedures are being followed and will provide feedback to students and staff.

During the drill, the school will be locked and we will not be admitting any students during the drill. As such, please avoid dropping off or picking up your child(ren) between 12:45 pm and 1:15 pm on Thursday, October 19th because the school doors will be locked and we are not permitted to answer the doorbell or let anyone leave during the drill. Thank you or your support as we practice our emergency procedures.

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**OCT 17 - JUNIOR GIRLS' SOCCER TOURNAMENT** 

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