JOCKVALE'S FRIDAY MESSAGE - October 18th, 2024





This week, many of Mme Khemani's grade 3 students spent their recess planting and learning about perennials in the new garden beds by the Jockvale sign. A very generous family gifted us four planters, and two have been filled by our grade 3 gardeners already. More planting to come in the spring!

Thank you to Mme Brittany and Mr. Mike for helping to create this opportunity!



<u>CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING</u> - Our Jockvale Jaguars had an excellent day of cross country running on October 16th and represented the school very well at Baxter Conservation Area. We don't have the final number of participants yet, but many races had over 100 students running! There were 14 schools participating and we had two students who distinguished themselves with top 10 finishes; Caroline K. and Otis C. Congratulations to all for an excellent effort!

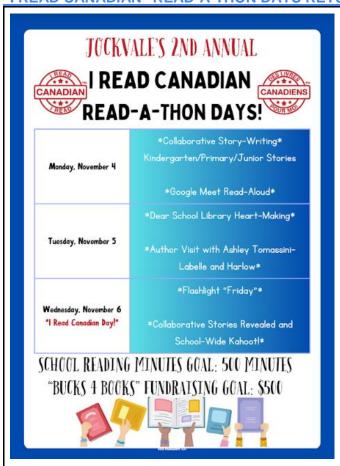
Many thanks to Mr. Meilleur, Ms. Ivison, Ms. Egan, and our parent/guardian volunteers for helping to make this experience possible for our students!

SOCCER SHIN GUARDS - Our grade 4, 5, and 6 girls and boys soccer teams will be participating in a full-day tournament next week and the following week. Shin guards are mandatory for players and we are looking for any donations or lending of shin guards to help support our teams. Thank you!

HALLOWEEN - On Tuesday, October 31st, 2024, 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.

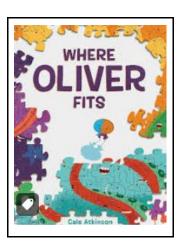




"I Read Canadian" Day is a national yearly celebration of Canadian books for young people. Jockvale ES will proudly be participating in our 2nd annual "I Read Canadian" Read-A-Thon Days from November 4-6! We have many fun activities planned, including an author visit from Ashley Tomassini-Labelle and her rescue dog, Harlow! Check out her book on her website! https://www.ashleylabelle.com/#/

We will once again be having a "Bucks 4 Books" fundraising campaign to help bring more quality Canadian books to our school Library. From October 18-November 6 you can make a donation through SchoolCash Online. We will gladly accept in-person donations as well. Our fundraising goal is \$500!

Our school reading goal is 500 hours collectively. If we reach our two goals, we will have a Pyjama and Movie Day to celebrate! Let's get reading Canadian, Jags!



JOCKVALE LIBRARY - We've been sharing a lovely book together this week in the library! "Where Oliver Fits" by Cale Atkinson is a beautiful look at being yourself and how you shouldn't have to change who you are to fit in. It was a big hit with our students.

PHOTO DAY @ JOCKVALE - PHOTOS ARE READY TO VIEW - Every child who had their photo taken was given an individualized card with a code. Use the code and you will see a gallery with all the photos. Memento Photography uses a friendly and comprehensive online purchase system through which you can buy individual pics or packages, of both digital versions and prints.

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.

JESC NEWS -



The annual Halloween Dance will be held this year on Friday, October 25 from 6 to 8:30 pm at the school. The dance will feature music and lights in the gym done by the Cedarview DJ Club, a large variety of games and activities in the library, a laser maze, scavenger hunt, selfie station with props and of course a lot of fun! All activities are included with admission, which is only \$3 / person or \$10 per family of 4 or more. Everyone may come in costume, although weapons and masks should be left at home. Admission will soon be available to purchase on School Cash Online, or can be paid in cash the day of the event.

In addition there will be a bake sale of items donated by the school community. Items will cost 50 cents to \$2 and drinks can be purchased for \$1. We are looking for people to donate baked goods. All donations, including store bought items, are greatly appreciated, just ensure that they are nut-free. Baked goods can be dropped off during the school day or at the dance on October 25. Please contact jockvalevolunteers@gmail.com if you would like to help.

To make this event possible we need the help of many volunteers. We are looking for people who can help for an hour or two with the following tasks: set-up, admissions, bake sale, games, supervision and clean-up. If you would like to help out, please email jockvalevolunteers@gmail.com.



Enjoy the weekend,

Loretta and Sara



OCT 21 - LOCKDOWN DRILL

OCT 22 - GRADE 6 GIRLS' SOCCER TOURNAMENT

OCT 23 - GRADE 6 BOYS' SOCCER TOURNAMENT

OCT 25 - PHOTO RETAKE DAY

OCT 25 - HALLOWEEN DANCE - 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

OCT 28 - FIELD TRIP TO MADAHOKI FARM

OCT 29 - FIELD TRIP TO MADAHOKI FARM

OCT 29 - JUNIOR REGION 1 TIER II GIRLS' SOCCER TOURNAMENT

OCT 30 - JUNIOR REGION 1 TIER II BOYS' SOCCER TOURNAMENT

OCT 31 - HALLOWEEN

NOV 03 - DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS (FALL BACK)

Religious/Creed Based Days & Dates of Significance

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