



January 13th Jennings Journal

Hello Jennings,

January is a busy month and usually finds the staff reminding the students of all those important routines that might have been forgotten over the long break. It is helpful for all of us to maintain routines in our lives. This is especially important at school. You can help by establishing consistency (as best you can in our hectic lives) with homework and other daily tasks. It is also important to pass along responsibilities to our students. It increases their independence and most definitely organization...besides they love to help (at least at school they do :) So, at a time of year when we are making resolutions and promises, have your kids make some that make your lives easier! Take an opportunity to teach them a life lesson that will make them better in so many ways. Feel free to consult with your classroom teachers if you have questions or need some ideas.

Have a Wonderful Week!

Mr. Vuolo

Other important information...

Arrival

As you know there are two ways we can arrive at school based upon the weather. The default for arrival is at the outside door of the classroom. The rationale for this is linked to safety and efficiency. It is much quicker to get the students in and less traffic flow if large crowds are not all traveling down the same hallways. However, on days where the weather is inclement or the blacktop areas are unsafe, we call indoor line up. Indoor lineup has the k-2 students go to the cafeteria and the 3-5 students to the gym. If you arrive at school and are wondering where to go, feel free to ask a staff member. Supervision begins at 8:45 and they would be happy to direct you.

Mitten Tree

Our beautiful mitten tree is coming down this week. Please feel free to send in any last minute items. The Student Leadership Team will soon take inventory of all the donations and send them off to the Bridgeport Rescue Mission. We will be sure to let the community know our final totals next week.

Variety Show

As the registrations for variety show draw closer, please keep in mind our CARES theme. As groups are being formed, and creative acts are being composed, think about the ways we can ensure everyone who wants to be a part of a group or act has that opportunity. This is a special event we want to make it memorable for everyone.

Thank you in advance for keeping "Bucketfilling" in mind!

Please also keep in mind showing CARES for the building during the many rehearsals. We ask that you consult directly with classroom teachers if you need a room and please refrain from using the 3-5 hallways right after school. This will greatly assist Mr. Ramos with his cleaning routine. We appreciate your cooperation with this request.

Character Assembly

This Friday at 2:30 we will have our January Character Assembly. The Student Leadership Team and grade four have been working on our theme of Martin Luther King Jr. Feel free to join us for school information, the honoring of our person's of character and a celebration of music. All parents are welcome!

Safety and Security

The Jennings staff will participate in ongoing training given by the Fairfield Police Department in the coming weeks. The training is part of our efforts to increase awareness and discuss procedures that assist in making sure Jennings School is as safe as can be. We continue to ask the community to follow the arrival procedures when buzzing into the main office. Please be prepared to state your name and reason for visiting. We are working on an efficient way to know in advance who is scheduled to visit and appreciate calls ahead for any unscheduled visits.

This Weeks Reminders:

Monday	Kindergarten Field Trip to Peabody Museum
Tuesday	Grade 4 Field Trip to Ogden House
Thursday	Dine at Moes for Grade 5 Fundraiser 4:00- 8:00 PM
Friday	Grade 5 DARE Character Assembly 2:30 Variety Show Registrations Due