



January 21st Jennings Journal

Hello Jennings,

We hope that everyone enjoyed the long weekend. The Student Leadership Team did a wonderful job putting together the Character Assembly last Friday. We celebrated our Person's of Character and learned about Martin Luther King Jr's important contributions to our society. Special thanks to grade 4 and Mrs. Fiero for putting together the music and presentation linked to this month's theme.

The school website continues to evolve with added features and content. We invite you to follow the link below to keep updated. Content will be added as often as possible and the office will begin to direct you there for school information. We welcome ideas of what you would like to see posted. Soon to come will be student projects and updated Character Assembly videos.

<http://fairfieldschools.org/schools/jen/>

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 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.

Extra Clothes

The office staff and Mrs. Chapman would like to remind families that it is a good practice to have your children keep an extra set of clothes in their locker. There are times, such as a slip at recess or a spill at lunch, that the children may need to change their clothes. It is helpful if they can quickly do this and a phone call home is not needed. Thank you in advance for your consideration in this regard.

Mitten Tree

Our beautiful mitten tree was taken down last week. We would like to thank the entire Jennings community for their generosity as we collected over 90 items to donate to the Bridgeport Rescue Mission. The hats, gloves, scarves and mittens will soon be put to good use during the cold winter days and nights. This is a wonderful representation of how caring our community continues to be.

Variety Show

As the excitement for the variety show builds, please keep in mind our CARES theme. While the groups are practicing and preparing their creative acts, continue to think about the ways we can ensure everyone's feelings are first and foremost. This is a special event we want to make it memorable for everyone. Thank you for always 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 classroom 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.

Winter Concert

The grade 4 and 5 students have been busy finalizing preparations for the Winter Concert. On Thursday, the Band, Orchestra and 5th grade Chorus students will show off their hard work.

The Jennings staff and students will be treated to a morning concert at 10 AM and the evening concert is at 7 PM. Families are welcome to attend both concerts.

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 Week's Reminders:

Monday No School

Tuesday Grade 2 High Tech/ High Touch

Thursday Jennings Times 8 AM
Winter Concert at 10 AM and 7 PM

Friday Jennings Community Club 2:40
Jennings Kids Night Out for Grades 3 and 4 at 7 PM