

Meet the writer-

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The 100% Honest Weekly Bugle

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Dear JMCA Family:

September 28, 2020

The world of COVID-19 is constantly changing the schools. I did want to share with you that WSD3 and JMCA reevaluated their current practices based on their experience the first month of school. As a result, the following are the new guidelines and procedures for COVID-19:

- Classrooms/cohorts will not be quarantined due to a student exhibiting COVID-like symptoms in the classroom;
- Classrooms/cohorts instead will be quarantined when a student has tested positive for COVID in a classroom or a student was in close contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID;

Thank you for our cooperation and understanding. I know that the first month of school has been frustrating for everyone, and I greatly appreciate everyone's support as we navigate all of the county health department guidelines together.

Coming Attractions-

- September 28- Board of Education meeting @ 6:00 P.M.
- October 9- Theme day Dress like a Dog to help raise funds for veterans with PTSD
- October 12 to 16- Fall Break
- October 15 and 16- Parent-Teacher Conferences via Zoom
- Wednesday is early release at **1:00 P.M.**
- Wednesday is formal dress.

Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences will be held on October 15 and 16 via Zoom. Teachers will be contacting you this week in order to schedule a conference time. Actual report cards will be sent home Monday October 19, 2020. Following parent-teacher conferences, we will also send home progress reports approximately every two weeks. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me.

Free Meals for JMCA Students-

Due to the hard work of JMCA parent Maylling Rios, JMCA is partnering with Equal Heart and My Kids Lunch to offer free meals to JMCA Students. The service provides five days worth of meals prepared for your child/children. If interested in participating in the service, then please contact Maylling Rios at (719)459-9194. She will be at 737 Dale Street, Fountain, CO on Sundays from 12:30 to 2:00 for families to pick up meals.

JMCA Mission Statement-

"JMCA inspires children to pursue personal growth and navigate a diverse world."



A Big Thank You-

A big thank you is owed Ms. Casper's boyfriend's grandmother. She made over 90 masks for JMCA students to help protect them during this pandemic. Thank you Ms. Casper, your boyfriend, and his grandmother for the amazing support shown to the JMCA community!

Hispanic Heritage Month at JMCA-

One of the greatest assets of our school is our diversity. Due to our proximity to Fort Carson, I am honored to say that we have families from all over the globe who have chosen JMCA to educate their children.

In honoring this tradition, JMCA is recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month this year. The month runs from September 15 to October 15. National Hispanic Heritage month has roots going back to 1968. The time period of September 15 to October 15 was selected to honor the Hispanic community, because eight Latin American countries have the anniversary of their independence during this time period: Belize, Chile, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and Nicaragua.

Reminders

- You receive 10 volunteer hours for referring a student or family to JMCA.
- Email Mr. Morin one question or one comment you had regarding the newsletter in order to receive one volunteer hour.
- When your child is going to be absent, please call 391-3977 before 9:00 a.m. This allows us to verify absences efficiently. If you know your child will be absent in advance, please fill out an Excused Absence Request Form at the front office.

Inspirational Quote

Every week, I will share two inspirational quotes with families. One quote geared towards middle school families, and one quote geared towards primary families. Pick one quote to discuss as a family. Then send me an email at morinkyle@wsd3.org with your interpretation of the quote. The child/children of the family who discussed the most quotes will earn a special lunch with Mr. Morin.

“Widen the path of opportunities and continue to leave a powerful and positive legacy in this world.” -Luis Fonsi

“No job is too big. No pup is too small.”- Ryder from PAW Patrol

Fourth Grade Fundraiser-



Fourth grade has decided to help soldiers with PTSD by supporting an organization called Puppies Behind Bars that gives veterans service dogs for free! Fourth grade's goal is to reach \$250 by Friday, October 9.

To achieve this objective, fourth grade is doing the following:

- Selling dog origami for \$1
- Selling dog pom-poms for \$2
- Hosting a theme day October 9 for \$1

Order forms will go out Wednesday, September 23 and are due Wednesday, October 7.

Theme day money not accepted until Friday, October 9!

School Taskforces-

We are looking for parent volunteers to serve on one of three JMCA taskforces. We are looking for support in reviewing K to 3 reading practice, including diverse voices in the school curriculum, and advertising the school. If interested in serving on a taskforce, please contact Mr. Morin at morinkyle@wsd3.org.