

Meet the writer-

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**The 100% Honest Weekly
Bugle**

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Dear JMCA Family:

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The most important thing is a thank you to families for making the first “learn from home day,” a success. I know that all the pivots we have been required to make during the 2020 to 2021 school year have made things extremely stressful. I also know that asking students to do school work during an inclement weather day when we are not accustomed to do so is also stressful and frustrating.

With that all being said, I wanted to communicate the “why” behind inclement weather days being “learn from home days,” this year. In Colorado, schools are required to provide a certain number of instructional hours per students each year. Traditionally, JMCA’s calendar has built-in extra days to provide a buffer just in case we have an inclement weather day. However, due to the delayed start this year due to the pandemic, we no longer have this buffer. We, therefore, need to make up hours during inclement weather days. If we do not make up the hours during inclement weather days, then there is a very real possibility that we would instead have to extend the school year into June. Once again, thank you for your understanding during this unprecedented time.

JMCA Challenge

Thus far, we have discussed quotes and answered riddles. For the 3rd quarter, the JMCA challenge is geography! We will be playing, Where in the World is Mr. Morin? I will describe a location, and you have to guess where it is. Email me your answers at morinkyle@wsd3.org, and the student from grades K to 3 and 4 to 8 with the most correct answers will get to eat lunch with me. **You also earn one volunteer hour for submitting an answer.**

K to 3rd Grade: After my nice tropical vacation in Hawaii, I am in a new state. This new state is extremely cold, and I am not that far from the North Pole. This state is also the biggest state in the United States. Some of the cities in this state include Juneau, Anchorage, and Fairbanks. Where am I?

4th to 8th Grade: I have left New Zealand, but I have not yet returned to the United States. I am in a new country. The people in this country love soccer, or as they call it here, futbol. Sao Paulo is the largest city in this country; however Rio de Janeiro is the most famous city in this country. Where am I?

Coming Attractions-

- February 5- Dress like a hero day
- February 11- Online packet pick-up
- February 12 and 15- No School
- February 16- SAAC Meeting
- February 22- JMCA Board of Directors Meeting
- February 24- Progress reports go home
- Wednesday is early release at **1:00 P.M.**
- Wednesday is formal dress.

Pass Out Postcards

It is not too late to volunteer to pass out postcards. We are looking for families on Wednesday to help us distribute postcards in the neighborhood for prospective new families. Email me at morinkyle@wsd3.org if you are interested in volunteering.

**Also, please remember to share with Ms. K your
volunteer hours!**

