

JOHN HANCOCK CHARTER SCHOOL PATRIOTS

Newsletter

January 19, 2010

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Message from the Director

The board of directors have been investigating the federal free and reduced lunch program and evaluated the pros and cons of participating in the program.

It was determined that JHCS will not be participating in the federal free-and-reduced-lunch program because JHCS does not have the resources the government requires schools to commit to such a program.

Thank you, Mrs. Adamic

Calendar



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| January 22 | Report cards sent home |
| January 28 | Kindergarten field trip - from 8:30-2:00 p.m. |
| February 12 | No School |

February 15

No School

Flyers to view at bottom of newsletter:

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Starting February 1, we will no longer be offering Hogi Yogi (lunchboxers). We will still have pizza available on Wednesdays for \$1.00 a slice, and will also have drinks available during lunch hours for .25. (For more details, please see the flyer at the bottom of the newsletter).

Kindergarten Recycling

The kindergarten has begun a recycling program for aluminum cans. If you use any cans, please send them to school and take them to the kindergarten classroom. The kindergarten would greatly appreciate your help!

Lunch Survey

Lunch ordering is administered by the John Hancock Charter School Parent Teacher Organization with permission from the JHCS Board and Administration. The PTO Board and JHCS Administration believe that a healthy lunch is vital for students. The PTO is constantly working to improve lunch service in the face of the unique challenges and limited facilities that are inherent for a small school like JHCS.

Thank you for your support in taking this short survey. Please click on the link below. The results will help us improve the quality of lunch offerings to JHCS students.

<http://tinyurl.com/JHCSLunchSurvey>

Lunch Volunteers

Lunch volunteers are needed for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11:45 to 1:00. You can bring your younger children! This is a great way to get your hours in. Please call April Gunnell at 796-5441 if you can help, or if you can be a substitute lunch helper.

Thank You!

Big thanks to Mrs. Chapman for researching lexile reading levels for all our new books!

Volunteer Opportunities

Mrs. Call needs help stamping all of the books in the leveled library. The work needs to be done here at school anytime while we are in session. Please call the school if interested.

We are in need of a parent who may be interested in coaching a MATHCOUNTS team as an after school program for our students. Call Mrs. Adamic for more details.

We are in need of donations to help replace the laminate in the girls restroom.

We need a small shelf installed in the 4th grade room.

We have to expand the playground fall zone for the new swing sets. It must be extended all the way to the fence line and to the blacktop. This would be a great Eagle project or a great project for a family to put in all of their volunteer hours. Please contact Mrs. Adamic if you are interested in helping with this project.

Wish List

We are in need of liquid hand soap. We are encouraging students to wash their hands every time they enter the building, before and after lunch and every time they enter the computer lab. We feel this will help prevent the spread of germs, but we have noticed that we are using a lot of liquid hand soap. Keep an eye for sales.

Paper plates, plastic forks and spoons, and paper towels are needed for the lunchroom.

We need someone to securely anchor one of our portable basketball standards.

We are in need of some small repair to a wall and then painting the repair in the library.

We are always in need of facial tissue, toilet paper, and hand sanitizer.

Parent Liaison

We are happy to announce a new board member. Brian Halladay serves on the Board of Directors as the Parent Liaison. You can reach him at 801-592-4034 or briane33@msn.com.



Newsletter

Please email all newsletter entries to Coral Edwards coral.edwards@gmail.com by Friday for inclusion on the following Monday.

Dear parents,

Starting February 1, 2010, the PTO will no longer offer the option to order lunches from LunchBoxers (Hogi Yogi). Unfortunately we have had some difficulties with staffing, facilities, and vendor coordination and we simply can't justify the effort for the small number of LunchBoxers lunches served each day.

If you have ordered meals in February we will work with LunchBoxers to make sure you are not charged, or you receive a refund, for those meals. Please do not place any orders for lunches to be served after the end of January. We will continue to offer pizza on Wednesdays and are exploring other, easy to serve, foods we could offer on one other day of the week in the same way.

The PTO Board strongly believes that lunch is an important part of the school day and truly appreciates your effort as parents .

Sincerely,

The PTO Board of Directors

If you have questions or input about the JHCS PTO lunch program please contact:

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