

**Special Point of
Interest:**

- School Office Hours
- 8:00 - 4:00 PM



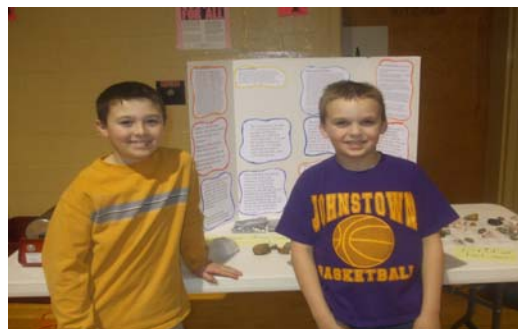
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2 Dr. Seuss Day	
2-6 Nat'l. Breakfast Week	
3 - 5 NYS Math Tests, Gr. 3-5	
5 PRISM Concert	
6 Carnival	
6 All County Festival I	
7 All County Festival II	
10 PTA Mtg	
10-11 NYS Math Tests, Gr. 6	
14 Popcorn Sale	
17 Green School Spirit	
18 McDonald's Night	
20 Popcorn Sale	

JANSEN AVENUE NEWS!

Science Fair 2009 "Let's Go Green!"

Many students came out to share their science experiments. There were exploding science experiments, and projects on composting, and ecosystems! Wow! Jansen students are smart! Thank you to Mr. Steven Pratt, science teacher and dedicated PTA parent, for organizing this wonderful event.



100th Day of School!

The 100th day of school was recently celebrated at Jansen. Students in the primary classes created 100-day projects out of items such as lollipops, stickers, pom-poms, macaroni, and pretzel rods to name a few. Our wonderful Mrs. VanHusen also baked a delicious cake to help us celebrate our 100th day!



Letter from our Principal!



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

March is here and with it comes the first day of spring! The break in the weather is always something to look forward to! In this newsletter, I'd like to address some "spring cleaning" issues.

We will be running a "school rule of the day" activity to reinforce student expectations at school. When you have an opportunity, please talk to your child about these expectations to help us send a positive behavior message.

Character building programs are currently running at each grade level. We have invited instructors in from two local agencies, HFM Prevention Council and the Family Counseling Center, to come in and talk about trust, friendship, and cooperation. The programs run for several weeks and are appropriate to each grade level. So far, the response has been great. Ask your child about the programs and let them share what they've learned. Thanks for helping to promote good character!

In the spirit of a good story, Monday, March 2, is Dr. Seuss' birthday. Remember to share the love of a great story with your children. You are their biggest role model!

Happy Spring!

Colleen Lester

"Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind." Dr. Seuss

CHARACTER CORNER

Teamwork



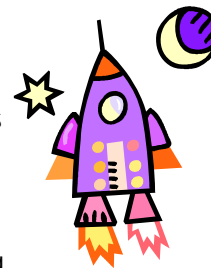
Always encourage one another!

"Teamwork encourages and recognizes each member's contribution. When teamwork is effective, new solutions are created that go beyond individual perspectives."

P.A.R.P News

(Parents as Reading Partners)

What is P.A.R.P.? It is a national reading program developed to establish regular reading habits at home. This year's theme is "Blast off with a good book! Reading is out of this world!"



The program will begin **Wednesday, March 4**. Students will receive a reading booklet from their teacher, they should read at least 15 minutes a day for five days during the week, turn in their signed form to their teacher each week and receive a prize!

Get ready to have some fun . . . reading!

Students of the Month for January

Madisen Akers

Marissa Brick

Benjamin Russo

Logan Calhoun

Kaylee Newkirk

Thomas Lizio

Casey Brower

David Ambrosino

Julia Norris

Robert VanAernam

Logan Brandt

Imani Martin

CONGRATULATIONS!

Art Show & Basket Auction

Come see the wonderful works of Jansen Avenue artists on Wednesday, March 25th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. This year's theme is "Art Around the World," and each grade level is creating art works that represent one of the seven continents. Also, a favorite of everyone is the basket raffle sponsored by the PTA. Mark your calendar, and plan to be a part of this wonderful event!

RECESS INFORMATION

Please note, if your child needs to remain inside for recess due to illness or injury, please have their doctor fax a note to the health office as soon as possible, as separate supervision is not always available.

Please also send an extra set of clothes to school with your child (especially the younger students) as this is a wet time of year on the playground. We do not always have clothes readily available for your children to change into. Thank you for your cooperation.



There are quite a few students who are using the office phone for non-essential calls. Please talk to your children about having all supplies and materials ready for school each day. After school arrangements should be made *prior* to the school day. This is particularly concerning for the 5th & 6th graders who understand the expectations and routine.



Cell phones must be turned off and in a backpack during the school day. Electronic games and toys that are brought in for recess must be turned off and put away during instructional time. It is strongly advised that expensive electronics or other items are kept safely at home. Recess is only 20 minutes and it is a wonderful time for the boys and girls to get some exercise!

Jansen Avenue Superstars

Superstars are primary students who earned all “S”s on their report cards for the second quarter.

First Grade

Mrs. Sitts’ Class

- Noah Champlin
- Summer Dannheim
- Jacob Frenyea
- Chelsea Knapik
- Abraham Miller
- Abbie Mullins
- Julia Norris
- Keshia Taylor
- Jake Wesley



Second Grade

Mrs. Frenyea’s Class

- Andrew Anderson
- Faith Beagle
- Ryan Brower
- Jewelina Bulger
- Hailey Heckle
- Emma Kilmer
- Jonni Stuart
- Brady VanAernam



Congratulations to all the students who made the Second Quarter Honor Roll

Third Grade

Mrs. Ackerbauer’s Class

Principal’s List

- Emily Clizbe
- Thomas Lizio
- Sam Miller
- Alex Thiessen
- Kayla Wesley

Honor Roll

- Cristian Esposito
- Geoffrey Fancher
- Dominic LoDestro
- Imani Martin
- Josie Mowrey
- Emma Rizzo
- Rhiana Rowley
- Peter VanDenburgh
- Blaine VanEvery
- Maddie Willett
- Tristan Zito



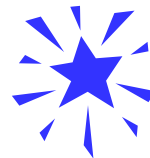
Ms. Johnson’s Class

Principal’s List

- Jasmine Pechtelt
- Jillian Martelle

Honor Roll

- Broc Bellinger
- Jarred Brown
- Tiara Clark
- Gabe Cole
- Abby Davis
- Griffin Klena
- Jacob Miller
- Isaac Nguyen
- Benjamin Poitras
- Sara Stortecky
- Robert VanAernam
- Maymie Winright



Fourth Grade

Mr. Westman’s Class

Principal’s List

- Michael Brown

Honor Roll

- Alura Ambrosino
- Trevor Askew
- Connor Brooks
- Alexandra Calhoun
- Jasmine Fiore
- Brian Green
- Claire Guzielek
- Tyler Kretser
- Victoria LoDestro
- Cecelia Mowrey
- Nadine Nellis
- Amanda Palmateer
- Chris Pertell
- Alexander Pratt
- Benjamin Russo
- Kailee Ward
- Kelsi Wood
- Joel Woodard



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Fifth Grade

Mrs. Riley's Class
Principal's List
Erica Wagner

Honor Roll
Krissy Barry
Victoria Belknap
Casey Brower
Tim Brunetto
Amber Dalton
Nicole Fountain
Ricky Hemstreet
Alex Lawrence
Carly Marotta
Jake Pabis
Jacob Richardson
Joshua Rose
Marissa Savage
Anthony Schiavo
Alexandra VanAernam
Whitney Western
Peter Wilson

Mrs. Kollar's Class
Principal's List
Logan Brandt
Kaeleigh Lozier
Kyle Polidore
Morgan Romano

Honor Roll
Elizabeth Anderson
Alexia Brunetto
Lindsey English
Kalia Fisher
Alexis Fisher
Austin Heroth
Daviannah Spencer
Michael Thiessen



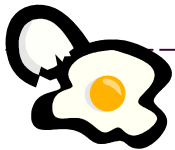
Sixth Grade

Ms. Hickok's Class
Principal's List
Jack Brabant
Jessica Manno
Stephen Russo

Honor Roll
Tyler Askew
Megan Brownell
Autumn Jackson
Shauna Miller
Zackeriah Morey
Austin Riska
Erin Willett
Julia Woodard

Mr. Rhodes' Class
Principal's List
Briana Esposito

Honor Roll
David Ambrosino
Austin Anderson
John Bates
Juliana Blair
Sam Davis
McKayla Fancher
Julie Holmes
Justine Luck
Anthony Mowrey
David Ormiston
Brittany Palmateer
Damian Sgro
Briann VanEvery
Elizabeth Willett



National School Breakfast Week
March 2-6



You are invited to eat breakfast with your child at school the week of March 2-6. The cost for adults is \$2 (including tax). Students & siblings are \$1 each. Please call the school, and let us know what day(s) you will attend.

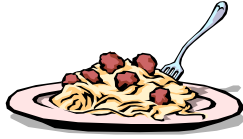


Drink Pouch Brigade!



The Green Club is now recycling drink pouches that would have otherwise ended up in our landfills. We will earn 2 cents per pouch, so don't throw them out! Pouches collected will be sewn together to make bags available for purchase at participating retail stores. Check out terracycle.net for more information.

Mark your calendars — the Johnstown High School PTSA will be holding it's annual Spring Craft Fair on Saturday, March 14, from 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Join us for a fun-filled day for the **whole family**. Dozens of vendors will be there with wonderful crafts for your home and yourself, children will enjoy themselves in the kids' corner, and don't forget to visit our concession stand offering homemade soups, pizza, hot dogs, and sandwiches. **ADMISSION IS FREE!**



**JHS
Post Prom Fundraiser
Spaghetti Supper**

Thursday, March 12, 2009
4:30-6:30 p.m.
Immaculate Conception Hall
\$6 per ticket

Dinner includes: Spaghetti w/ sauce,
homemade meatballs,
Salad w/ Italian dressing, bread, and des-
sert.

TAKE OUT ONLY

CONGRATULATIONS
SPELLING BEE WINNERS!
Cecelia Mowrey
4th grade
Elizabeth Anderson
5th grade
Jessica Manno
6th grade

Johnstown High School Hall of Fame

The JHS Hall of Fame is currently accepting nominations for its 2009-2010 induction ceremony. A nominee may be living or deceased, but must have graduated from JHS at least ten years ago. Nominees should have made recognized contributions to a specific profession, to society, or in an activity that merits special recognition, while serving as a positive role model. Nomination forms may be obtained from the District Clerk at JHS, 1 Sir Bills Circle, Suite 101, Johnstown, or online at www.johnstownschoools.org. Completed nomination forms should be submitted to the Superintendent's office no later than March 31, 2009.

Important District News.....

ATTENTION RESIDENTS OF THE GREATER JOHNSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

The terms of three current board members of the Greater Johnstown School District will expire **June 30, 2009**. The election of new members to serve three-year terms will be held on **May 19, 2009**.

Candidates for the board of education must be at least 18 years old, qualified voters in the school district, able to read & write, and must be residents of the district continuously for one year before the election. They can't be employees of the school district or live in the same household with a family member who is also a member of the same school board.

Nominating petitions signed by 100 qualified district voters must be filed with the District Clerk by 5:00 PM **April 29, 2009**. More information may be obtained by contacting the District Clerk at 762-4611 ext. 119, or visiting our web site, www.johnstownschoools.org.