

Panther Pause

April 2012



The mission of Jacoby Creek School, in partnership with the parents and community, is to provide a high quality program of academic instruction that meets the needs of all students and equips them with skills necessary for success in the homes, workplaces, and communities of tomorrow.

From the Principal....

Dear JCS Families,
Happy Spring! I'm very glad that the sun came out and warmed us all up and dried us out, even if it was only for one day. I hear that it might get sunny sometime next week during Spring Break (April 9th-13th) – I sure hope so!

GET INVOLVED: We have many opportunities for you to get involved in the numerous groups and activities at JCS. Our various groups happily welcome new faces to their meetings. The Jacoby Creek Children's Education Foundation meets on the first Tuesday of the month, PTO meets on Tuesday, April 17th, the Garden Committee is beginning to schedule work days in the garden, volunteers are always welcomed in classrooms, School Site Council meets on April 3rd and May 8th, and our Athletics Committee meets regularly as well. If you have some talent to share (and who doesn't?), we'd love to have you share it with us.

OPEN HOUSE!!! We hope to see everyone here on April 5th when we proudly present our students' work in all of the classrooms.

Open House goes from 6:30-7:30 pm. There will also be a book fair in the library. The proceeds from the book fair last year supported the numerous class plays that we were so fortunate to have again this year. Please be sure to check it out!

WALK 'N ROLL: With Spring finally here, we'd like to encourage everyone to get out there and Walk or Roll to school on Wednesday April 4th and May 2nd.
VISITATION WEEK - April 16th - 20nd: If you know folks who are interested in seeing us in action, or if you want to visit classrooms at JCS, we encourage you to come visit during this week. After your visit, you may fill out an Educational Placement form, describing the educational environment in which you would like your child placed next year. This is passed on to the teachers as they create class lists. Please remember that our teachers work hard to create classes that are balanced by gender, student achievement levels, behavioral characteristics,

and particular educational needs.
ORAL LANGUAGE FAIRE: We won't be having an Oral Language Faire this year, but watch for it next year!

BOARD NEWS: Our next regular Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 19th, 2012 at 6 pm in the Library. Agenda items include an update on the state budget, board goals, the athletics handbook, and other district business. You can review the agenda for this and past meetings, and minutes from past meetings on the school district website:

<http://www.humboldt.k12.ca.us/jacobycreekschool/board.php>

REGISTRATION for the 2012-2013 school year has begun! NEW students who wish to attend JCS next year need to submit a registration form to the office by April 30th. Registration materials can be found here:

<http://www.humboldt.k12.ca.us/jacobycreekschool/reg-info.php> or in the school office.

Please keep reading – a great little article from our school counselor is on the next page!

...a note from the Counselor, Karen Purcell

As you may already know, the entire Jacoby Creek student population is taking part in lessons that are designed to reduce things such as bullying and to increase the respectful treatment for all! The Kindergarteners through Second graders are provided lessons from the Second Step Program that was developed by the Committee for Children. Our primary level lessons are taught by the very talented Valerie Bourne of class and school play fame and funded through our **Early Mental Health Initiative*** (EMHI) grant! The Third through Sixth grades receive their training through the use of the Steps to Respect Program that was also developed by the Committee for Children. The Upper grades have adopted the Second Step Program for their purposes. Both these programs are well researched and are utilized and thought highly of in schools throughout our county.

Since the implementation of this method of teaching social skills on the Jacoby Creek campus was undertaken in the fall of this school year, there has been a 70 percent reduction in discipline referrals to Mrs. Stone! This is phenomenal, and we applaud the efforts of the students and staff members alike!

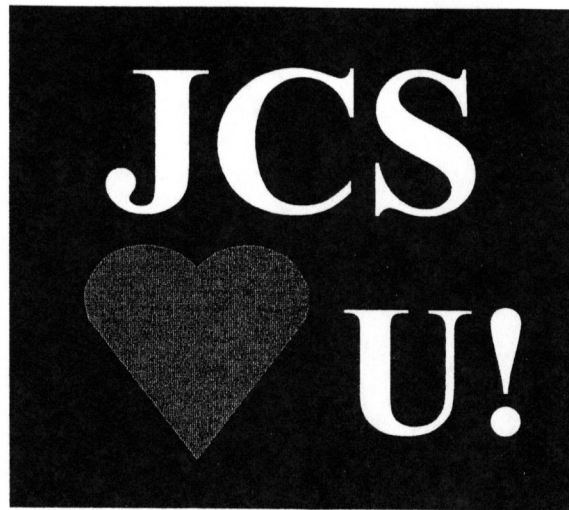
We are not done yet, however, and will not rest on our laurels at this point. The truth is that we need community support as well, so that brings me to describe a few ways in which you can help bring about even more success for our students and for the community we live in as a whole. It does appear in this day and age that it may, indeed, take a village, so with that in mind here are a few ideas:

- Encourage growth in your child's demonstration of respect by being liberal with praise. By that I mean, actively complimenting them when they have demonstrated a characteristic or action that is appreciated. For example, when a child makes a respectful comment about another person with whom they may not share too much in common, tell them you appreciate their acceptance and respect of the other person. Be sure to give the details of their accomplishment as this will help them to understand their very own strengths and to be more apt to use them in the future.
- Ask them to describe to you what they have learned in their Steps to Respect or Second Step lessons and how they think it might, ultimately, help everyone around them. This provides them with an opportunity to discuss what they have learned and to potentially teach it to younger siblings or to talk about it with other generations within your household.
- Finally, for today anyway, teach by example. There are day-to-day opportunities for us all to show respect and tolerance for ourselves, our children, and our communities. Make the most of these teaching moments and enjoy!

*Our EMHI grant has two more years of funding, but may not be made available for use unless we make the importance of our programs known to our legislators and governor. Please write to these people and appeal for continued funding of the Early Mental Health Initiative grants in the years to come.

Thank you,

Karen Purcell, School Counselor



The Jacoby Creek Children's Education Foundation wants to...

Thank You!

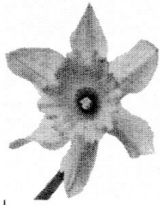
Over \$32,000 in net proceeds was raised at the Dinner Auction to support the JCCEF and every penny will directly benefit our children!

A record 300 people attended! 28 live auction items, 170 silent auction items, 20 raffle items, and 15 student works of art were sold.

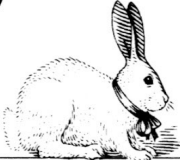

Love & magic were in the air as parents, teachers, administrators, alumni and community supporters enjoyed entertainment by Mr. FitzMaurice's Jazz Band, the slideshow, and the hilarious live models!

**Thank you to all who made the
2012 Dinner Auction such a success!**

Check out JCCEF.org soon for a complete breakdown of auction revenues and the date of next year's auction.



April 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 7 pm JCCEF Meeting	4 Walk & Roll to School	5 6:30 Open House Book Fair	6	7
8	9 	10	11	12	13 	14
SPRING BREAK						
15	16	17 PTO Meets 7 pm	18	19 School Board Meets	20	21
Community Visitation Week..8:45-11:30 a.m.						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Looking Ahead:

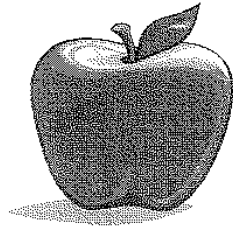
MAY

- May 1st— Public Random Draw
- May 4th -PTO sponsored luncheon for Staff Appreciation Day
- May 8th—MATH NIGHT—7 pm, in gym
- May 9th—Spring Concert—6:30 pm
Choir and Orchestra
- May 10th—Board Meeting

- May 14-18- STAR Testing Week
- May 15 or 17—K Orientation Day
- May 25th—Folk Dance Festival
- May 28th—NO SCHOOL/Memorial Day

JUNE

- June 7th—Board Meeting
- June 14th—8th Graduation at 7 pm
- June 15th—LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



APRIL LUNCH MENU – JACOBY CREEK SCHOOL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apr - 2 SUB SANDWICHES SALAD, TOSSED SALAD DRESSING, Assorted SALSA AND CHIPS FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED MILK - Variety	Apr - 3 MACARONI AND CHEESE BREADSTICKS SALAD, TOSSED SALAD DRESSING, Assorted FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED MILK - Variety	Apr - 4 HAMBURGER ON A BUN MACARONI SALAD SALAD, TOSSED SALAD DRESSING, Assorted FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED MILK - Variety	Apr - 5 FETTUCCINE BREADSTICKS FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED MILK - Variety	Apr - 6 TOMATO SOUP ROLLS (YEAST) SALAD, TOSSED SALAD DRESSING, Assorted FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED COOK'S DESSERTS MILK - Variety
Apr - 9 Apr - 16 SUB SANDWICHES SALSA AND CHIPS SALAD, TOSSED SALAD DRESSING, Assorted FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED MILK - Variety	Apr - 10 Apr - 17 SPAGHETTI AND MEAT SAUCE BREADSTICKS FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED SALAD, TOSSED SALAD DRESSING, Assorted MILK - Variety	Apr - 11 Apr - 18 BAKED CHICKEN SALAD, TOSSED SALAD DRESSING, Assorted FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED MILK - Variety	Apr - 12 Apr - 19 BEEF TACO FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED SALSA AND CHIPS MILK - Variety	Apr - 13 Apr - 20 CHICKEN AND NOODLES ROLLS (YEAST) FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED COOK'S DESSERTS MILK - Variety
Apr - 23 HOT DOG ON A BUN FRENCH FRIES SALAD, TOSSED SALAD DRESSING, Assorted FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED MILK - Variety	Apr - 24 SLOPPY JOE ON A ROLL SALAD, TOSSED SALAD DRESSING, Assorted FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED MILK - Variety	Apr - 25 BURRITOS SALAD, TOSSED SALAD DRESSING, Assorted FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED MILK - Variety	Apr - 26 STIR-FRY SAUCE PORK STIR-FRY ROLLS (YEAST) MILK - Variety	Apr - 27 VEGETABLE CHILI CORNBREAD FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED COOK'S DESSERTS MILK - Variety
Apr - 30 FISH TACO SALAD, TOSSED SALAD DRESSING, Assorted FRUIT, FRESH ASSORTED MILK - Variety				

N/A - denotes a nutrient that is either missing or incomplete for an individual ingredient.
 * - denotes combined nutrient totals with either missing or incomplete nutrient data.

NOTICE: The data contained within this report and the NUTRIKIDS® Menu Planning and Nutritional Analysis software should not be used for and does not provide menu planning for a child with a medical condition or food allergy. Ingredients and menu items are subject to change or substitution without notice. Please consult a medical professional for assistance in planning for or treating medical conditions.