

JFK Weekly Newsletter

Friday, February 11, 2022 Sara Raabe, JFK Principal

Valentines Day

Monday is Valentines Day. Valentines Day has a long and interesting history and did not start as the holiday as we now know it. While the history has many interpretations, one general time line is that Valentines Day started as a Christian Holiday to celebrate Saint Valentine - there were at least three different saints named Valentine or Valentinus. Around the 5th century, Pope Gelasius I combined St. Valentines Day with Lupercalia, a Roman Holiday, and declared February 14th as St. Valentines Day. As time went on, the holiday continued to morph and change into the holiday we now know. Valentines greetings were popular as far back as the middle ages, and in 1913, Hallmark began mass producing valentines.

As a school, we celebrate Valentines Day as a day to show appreciation for our school and community. If your student(s) wants to bring in valentines for their class, they need to make sure that they have one for every student in their classroom. Valentines can be store bought or homemade, and bringing them into school for your student's class is optional.



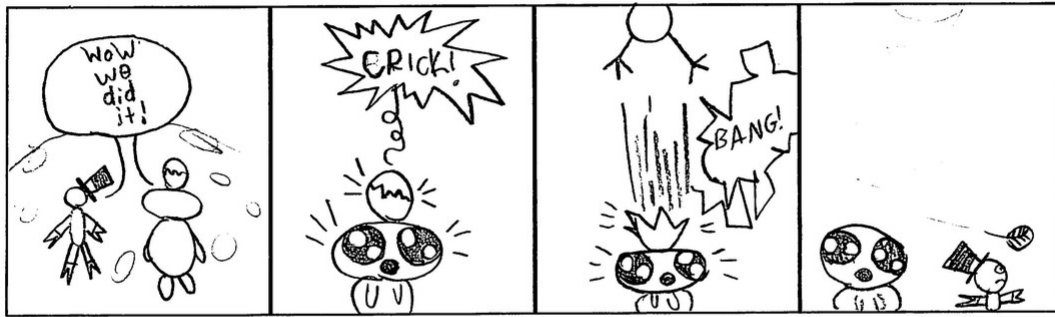
Cell Phones at School

Many of our students have a personal cell phone. At JFK, the expectation is that student's personal electronic devices, including cell phones, are off and away for the day (8am - 3pm). The first time a student violates this, the cell phone or electronics (Ipod, etc) will be taken by an adult and given back at the end of the day. The second time, the cell phone or electronics will be taken and given to the principal or behavior staff. At that point an adult from home must come and retrieve the cell phone or electronic. If, after the second violation, the student continues to violate the rule the school may take further action.

Next Week

I will be out of the office February 12th - 28th. I will not have access to email, phone, or Class Dojo while I am away. Connie Metz will be in the building while I am away to support our students and staff. Please call the main office if you need to connect with someone while I am away.

Student Submission



Illustrated by Asher Weissberger, written by Zinnia Peggale
Ideas by June Montague

Important Dates

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

12:15 Early Dismissal

Monday, February 21, 2022- Friday, February 25, 2022

No School

March 17, 2022

11:00am Early Dismissal

March 18, 2022

11:00am Early Dismissal

March 31, 2022

11:00am Early Dismissal

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April 1, 2022

11:00am Early Dismissal


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