JFK Weekly Newsletter

Friday, June 3, 2022 Sara Raabe, JFK Principal

All School Celebration

On Monday, June 13th, JFK will be having our End of Year All School celebration! This year students will be spending half of their day at JFK, and half their day at Landry Park. While at JFK, students will be doing activities in their classrooms and playing on bouncy houses outside. While at Landry Park, students will be skateboarding with the CHILL program (only 12 students per grade), or swimming in Meyers Pool. There will be lifeguards at the pool while we are there. Students will also be playing field games, and have time to play on the playground and eat a snack.

If your student is participating in the skateboarding (only 12 students per grade), they have to have a CHILL Youth Participation Form completed by an adult at home. All forms are due today. If students are not skateboarding, then they have the opportunity to swim in the <u>Meyers Memorial Pool!</u> Students need to have a bathing suit to swim in the pool. If your student needs to borrow a bathing suit for the day, please let let your student's classroom teacher know. If your student is not skateboarding, and does not feel comfortable swimming, please let your student's classroom teacher know and we will find an alternative activity for them.

It is vital that all students come to school on June 13th with:

1. Sunscreen and bug spray already applied. We will have extra sunscreen for students to apply. If you do not want sunscreen put on your student, please let their classroom teacher know.

- 2. A sunhat
- 3. A full water bottle
- 4. A towel and bathing suit
- 5. Sneakers or comfortable walking shoes

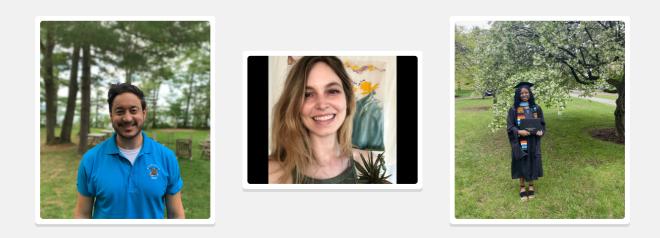
Students do not have to bring a snack for the day - we will have snacks for them.

If you HAVE NOT completed a field trip form for your student(s) please contact their classroom teacher right away. Students cannot go to Landry Park if they do not have a completed field trip form.

We would love to have adults from home join us for part or all of the All School Celebration. We need volunteers for the walk to and from Landry park, and for the activities at Landry Park, especially at the pool. Volunteers are welcome to join us for a half day or whole day. If you have students in multiple grades, you are welcome to split your time between the grades.

Grades 3, 4 and 5 will be at Landry Park in the morning and JFK in the afternoon. Grades K, 1, and 2 will be at JFK in the morning and Landry Park in the afternoon.

Please fill out this form if you are interested in volunteering for the day! All forms are due by Monday. <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc2KiYzpot5gRoLOEA9Wn28SY0OQN6tsyddP2EJBAhb</u>xBcHWQ/viewform



JFK Welcomes Carlos Spigel as a 5th grade teacher!

Carlos Spigel is originally from Albuquerque, New Mexico. He graduated from Barrett, The Honors College at ASU in Tempe, Arizona in 2018 with a degree in psychology. Carlos moved to NYC in 2019 and earned his Masters in Education from Bank Street College in May 2022. While he was completing his masters in Education at Bank Street College, Carlos was an associate teacher. During his three year at Bank Street, he taught 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grades.

Each summer since 2014, Carlos has worked at Keewaydin Dunmore Camp for Boys in Salisbury, VT. His experiences at Keewaydin solidified his desire to be a teacher, and made him want to live in Vermont.

We are very excited to welcome Carlos to the 5th grade team as the 5th grade math teacher. Carlos loves math, and is excited to facilitate deep and meaningful learning for all the 5th graders.

When Carlos is not teaching, you can find him cooking or hiking.

JFK Welcomes Rose Castor

JFK is excited to welcome Rose Castor as a Speech Language Pathologist. Rose earned her Bachelors of Arts with a major in Communication Disorders and Sciences in 2012 from State University of New York at Plattsburgh. She went on to earn her Masters Of Arts in Speech Language Pathology as well as her teacher certification in 2015 also from the State University of New York at Plattsburgh.

Rose has worked as a Speech Language Pathologist Assistant in Orleans, VT, a Graduate Clinician in Plattsburg, NY, a Graduate Clinician in Washington State, a Speech Language Pathologist Clinical Fellow in Washington State, and as a Speech Language Pathologist in Huntington, VT.

Rose Castor has her ASHA Certificate of Clinical Competence as well as her Vermont speech language pathologist license. Rose is a collaborative communicator with experience working as a member of an educational interdisciplinary team, educational support team, as well as a district level Anti-Bias Anti-

Racism Counsel. Rose is a creative problem solver with a positive outlook, flexible mindset, and a willingness to learn.

Rose is originally from the Finger Lakes area of New York state and she enjoys hiking, running, painting, and reading. She has a magical dog and tuxedo cat and she loves to hear stories about pets and favorite animals. Rose is excited to join the WSD team.

JFK Welcomes Daviah Lawrence

After completing her student teaching in the newcomer classroom here at JFK, Daviah Lawrence has been part of our community as a MultiLingual Teacher since 2019. Starting in the fall of 2022, Daviah will be the classroom teacher in our Newcomer Classroom. Originally from Jamaica, Daviah came to the United States when she was 12 years old. Even though English is her first language, due to having a thick Jamaican accent, Daviah experienced culture shock. Conversely, Daviah was able to find the support she needed in her teachers, which, reflecting back, planted the seed of her becoming a teacher herself.

Daviah earned her undergraduate Bachelors of Arts from Saint Michael's College in 2016 with a major in English and a minor in Business Administration and Creative Writing. Daviah continued at Saint Michaels, and in May of 2019 earned her Masters in TESOL (teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages). During that time, she witnessed the need for more reading support for students and decided to return to school to gain a better understanding of how to do this. In May of 2022 she earned a second Masters of Education with a concentration in Reading Specialist. She is hoping that the skills she learned will help the students under her care.

While going to school at Saint Michael's College, and working at JFK, Daviah was also a Resident Director for Saint Michael's students. In her role she served as a mentor and resource for the undergraduates; especially those who are considered to be first generation students. She also worked with SOAR, Summer Orientation for Academic Excellence and Retention, at Saint Michael's College starting in 2013. In 2020, Daviah became the social media coordinator for NNETESOL where she not only maintained the association's social media pages but also created and scheduled resources and news across platforms to increase member participation.

Important Dates

June 13, 2022 JFK All School Celebration June 14, 2022 JFK All School Celebration Rain Date June 17, 2022 Last Day Of School, 11:00am Early Dismissal



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