

**Special Point of
Interest:**

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

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JANSEN AVENUE NEWS!

COMING SOON - ONLY AT JANSEN

Mark your calendar, because October is a month filled with many exciting events.

October 2 - Board of Ed. Meeting @ Jansen 7:00 pm to acknowledge our Blue Ribbon status.

October 3 - Popcorn Sale

October 9 - Picture Day! Be sure to bring your best smile!

October 13 - Columbus Day observed. **School will be closed.**

October 14 - 17

National School Lunch Week - Sign up to spend lunch with your child and enjoy the great cooking of our cafeteria staff.

October 20 – 24 *Student Council Campaigning.* The students will be campaigning for various positions of leadership. Our students know and understand that Jansen is their school, and are looking to make it the finest around.

October 24 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Fall Festival - It is a great night enjoyed by all the families at Jansen. Sponsored, of course, by our wonderful PTA.

October 31 - 1:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Costume Parade - Come out and see all the delightful costumes of our students in all grades - including our staff.

**HAPPY
HALLOWEEN**

Letter from our Principal!

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

October is a month to celebrate good character and healthy lifestyles. October 14-21 we will officially kick-off our Character Education program by discussing and encouraging positive character traits.

October 23- 31st is Red Ribbon Week. The goal of Red Ribbon Week is to encourage youngsters to turn away from drugs and to give them tools to make healthy choices.

We would like you to be aware of the values we will be encouraging and learning about as we address The Six Pillars of Character plus effective decision-making at Jansen Avenue.

Trustworthiness. Be honest. Be loyal—stand by your family, friends and country. Don't deceive, cheat or steal. Be reliable—do what you say you'll do. Have the courage to do the right thing. Build a good reputation.

Respect. Treat others with respect; follow the Golden Rule. Be tolerant of differences. Use good manners, not bad language. Be considerate of the feelings of others. Don't threaten, hit or hurt anyone. Deal peacefully with anger, insults and disagreements.

Responsibility. Do what you are supposed to do. Persevere: keep on trying! Always do your best. Exercise self-control. Be self-disciplined. Think before you act—consider the consequences. Be accountable for your choices.

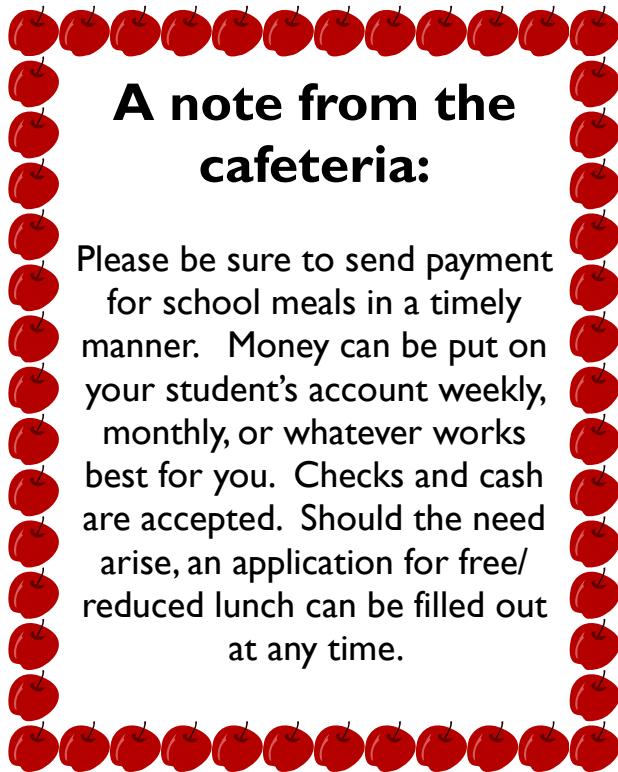
Fairness. Play by the rules. Take turns and share. Don't blame others carelessly. Listen to others. Don't take advantage of others.

Caring. Be kind. Be compassionate. Show you care. Express gratitude. Forgive others. Help people in need.

Citizenship. Do your share to make your school and community better. Cooperate. Stay informed; vote. Get involved in community affairs. Be a good neighbor. Obey laws and rules. Respect authority. Protect the environment.

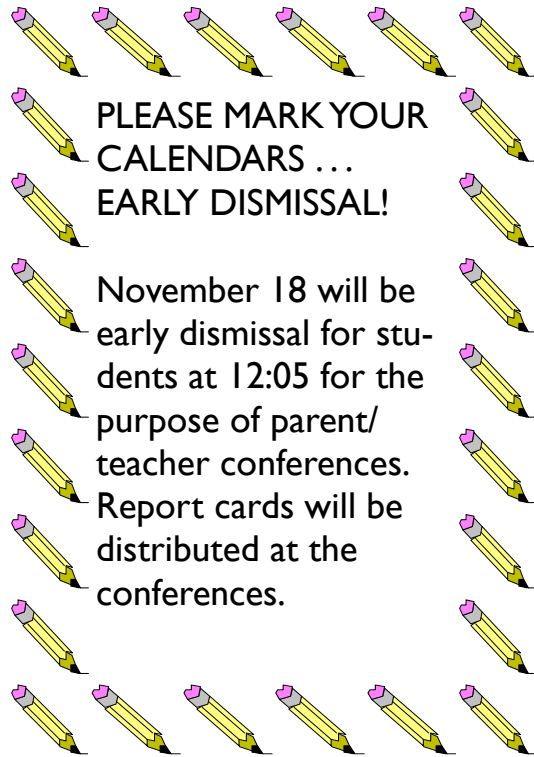
We appreciate your support and hope that you can find time at home to talk to your child about these two important initiatives. Have a wonderful month and a Happy Halloween!

Colleen Lester
Principal



A note from the cafeteria:

Please be sure to send payment for school meals in a timely manner. Money can be put on your student's account weekly, monthly, or whatever works best for you. Checks and cash are accepted. Should the need arise, an application for free/reduced lunch can be filled out at any time.



PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS ... EARLY DISMISSAL!

November 18 will be early dismissal for students at 12:05 for the purpose of parent/teacher conferences. Report cards will be distributed at the conferences.



A reminder from our nurse

Unfortunately, it's that time of year again, and we have had several cases of head lice in our school. Please remind your children not to share their hats, combs, hair-ties, etc., so that we can keep student absences to a minimum.

Thank you!



CHARACTER COUNTS!



Jansen Avenue is very excited to be celebrating the national “CHARACTER COUNTS! Week” in October! This week-long celebration will kick off our school year Character Education program. We would like our students to show their commitment to good character by wearing the color of the character education word that we are celebrating.

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| Tuesday, October 14: | Trustworthiness—Blue |
| Wednesday, October 15: | Respect—Yellow |
| Thursday, October 16: | Responsibility—Green |
| Friday, October 17: | Fairness—Orange |
| Monday, October 20: | Caring—Red |
| Tuesday, October 21: | Citizenship—Purple |



Kindness

Kindness is showing you care and doing some good to make life better for others. It is being thoughtful about people’s needs and caring about the earth.



SAFETY IS OUR CONCERN

The district policy enforces children CANNOT AND WILL NOT BE RELEASED TO ANYONE NOT LISTED ON THE EMERGENCY CONTACT FORM. When an authorized individual is picking up your child, he/she will need to show proof of identification.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.