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Jessie Beck pfa news

Dear Jessie Beck Families,

It is not too late for the cookie dough fundraiser which ends 4/15, please contact dlyork@washoeschools.net for more info. Its definitely too delicious to miss!

Our Corporate Sponsorship is going strong with a total of 12 sponsors so far. The corporate sponsorship forms are also posted on the pfa website or reach out to Anna Thornley (anna.f.thornley@gmail.com). FYI-Platinum sponsors get a sign on the fence on Plumb Lane, viewed by thousands of people.

Our main fundraising event, Fund the Arts, is this month. Please mark your calendars on April 24th for this amazing event. Details are listed at https://www.jbfundthearts.com/ for many dinner options, drinks, dessert, tickets and over 170 items to choose from in the silent auction .

Raising Cane's Night, which 15% of your purchase will be donated when you mention JESSIE BECK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL on Wednesday, is on May 19th between 3-9 pm at 6199 S Virginia Street, Reno. Fundraiser sales are included with takeout, drive-thru or dine-in orders only.

Our website www.jessiebeckpfa.com is updated periodically and is a great resource for information about the budget, meetings, elections and calendar. It's never too late to join the PFA! For up-to-date information please also check us out on our Facebook page

www.facebook.com/jessiebeckpfa.

As always, please contact us at BeckPFA@gmail.com for various volunteering opportunities, inquiries, suggestions or feedback.

Edgard Hitti PFA President

- Dates to Note -

Natalia's El Adobe Night

First Tuesday of the month from 4:00 to 8:00 pm

Jessie Beck Night at Napa Sonoma

Plumgate Shopping Center

Third Thursday of the month 4:00 to 9:00 pm

Spirit Fridays

Wear your Jessie Beck attire every Friday!

Early Release

Every Wednesday at 2:15 PM

April 24

Fund the Arts

Coloring Contest

Due by April 30th

Cookie Dough Fundraiser sales end on April 4/15. Delivery will be May 16/17.

Jessie Beck T-Shirt Distribution

The shirts are here, and we raised over \$900 for the school! Shirts will be distributed in front of JB on April 3rd from 10-11am, April 9th from 3-4pm, and April 10th from 1-2pm. We will also be selling other JB merchandise during the distribution times Bumper Sticker and Hand Sanitizer 1 for \$3, 2 for \$5 OR 5 for \$10 and Water Bottles \$10 Exact change or Venmo please.:)

the Principal's pen

Dear Jessie Beck Students and Families:

Thank you to all of our wonderful families at Jessie Beck Elementary School! We truly appreciate your support of our Fund The Arts Program and our upcoming event. Our students and staff work so hard throughout the year to produce such beautiful and unique art pieces. Robin Heywood and our amazing art volunteers bring the pieces to life! It is so wonderful to see this event come together and it will be here soon!

A huge thank you too, to our Fund The Arts Committee and our PFA who has dedicated so many "thinking outside the box" hours this year to bring this event together, despite the challenges that we have all faced this year. This event is one of a kind! I always look so forward to this wonderful night. Thank you again to everyone!

As a reminder, our SBAC (Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium) for grades 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th will take place for our Distance Learners the week of April 12th- April 16th. Students will be invited to the school to take this assessment over multiple days this week. Ms. Lane, Mrs. Elliott and our other Distance Learning teachers will be proctoring the assessments on these days. All COVID-19 guidelines will be followed. A more detailed schedule (times/assessment/day of the week) will be sent to our families of distance learners via their distance learning teachers and Connect Eds.

For our In-Person 3rd-6th Grade Students, we will administer the SBAC starting April 19th-May 13th. Specific days and times will be sent home to families from the child's classroom teacher. Our Spring MAP testing will begin the first week of May as well for our K-6th grade students.

The SBAC is a computer based summative assessment measuring the student's progress towards grade level standards. The data that is provided from these assessments; ELA, Math and Science for 5th grade, assists administration and teachers in instructional decisions and allows us to support all students in their progress towards the essential grade level standards as they transition to the next grade level. We appreciate your support in our assessment efforts!

As we close out the year, we will continue to work hard until the end of the year! Like last year, your child's current teacher and our entire grade level staff will be working collaboratively to create our class lists for next year. We will not be doing parent input forms this year. Thank you for your understanding. Remember, the last day of school will be Wednesday, June 9th due to our contingency make up days. More details will come regarding our traditional year-end celebrations. I'm hoping Covid restrictions will continue to be lifted so that we can enjoy these wonderful memories as we have in year's past.





Counseling Update from "Mrs. C"

Happy April to all our students and families at Jessie Beck!! I am happy to announce that I have officially returned from my maternity leave and I am so excited to finish out this school year on a high note with all the wonderful students, faculty, and families here at Beck. I wanted to say thank you to all who helped support me and our students while I was out, specifically Mrs. Lane and Mrs. Velasquez who subbed for me!

This month, I will be assisting Mrs. Lane in administering the SBAC and MAP assessments that we have scheduled. I will also be covering the topic of "Careers" during the month of May schoolwide during my guidance lessons so this should be a fun opportunity for our students to explore and learn about different occupations they may be interested in!

From the Library

Our Read-A-Thon has (as of April 7th) raised \$880 for our library to use for new books, supplies and events next year! Thank you to everyone who has donated and continues to donate through the 16th when this fundraiser ends!

Additionally; as of April 16th I will be leaving the library to accept a job with the State of Nevada. I leave the library in the very capable hands of Ms. Cantu for the remainder of the year. I have had the pleasure of calling Beck home for the last 3 years and will miss being here with your children every day.

Thank you for allowing me to teach them, laugh with them, play with them, and love them as I would my own children. I will be back to visit often! If you follow my literacy Instagram and Read Aloud Youtube Channel, I plan to keep those two social media accounts active and updated as often as possible! If not, come on over and stay in touch!

Instagram: mrs.fischer.reads

Youtube: TBA (see Instagram for details)

Warmest wishes, Mrs. Fischer

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Clinic Corner

Spring has SpRuNg! As warmer temperatures tease us, we need to remember that No. Nevada weather is unpredictable. Please have your student bring a light jacket and wear proper shoes.

We've been notified that immunization clinics are getting busy so, please be aware of your child's immunization schedule and make those appointments soon! This is especially true for our 6th graders going on to 7th grade, they are required to have their Tdap and Meningococcal/MCV4 before the first day of the 21-22 school year.

As always, masks are still required. Make sure they have a proper fit, covering bridge of nose to chin and are clean! It's a good idea to put an extra in their backpack. We've been doing so well complying with this, keep up the good work!

the bear facts



Fund the Arts is coming up April 24th and tickets are on sale! Remember in order to pre order any food or drinks from our amazing vendor partners, those items must be purchased by the 15th. Check out our website at www.jbfundthearts.com for the details and to purchase your tickets.

There will be a walk through art show at the school from 3-5pm on Saturday the 24th followed by an online streaming event from 6 to about 8pm with our live auction, some great video content of our amazing kiddos, and online bidding for the silent auction as well. You must purchase a bidding ticket in order to have access to the live stream and bid on auction items.

Our auction item preview is live on our site, and we are adding more exciting items every day so keep checking back. This includes some local experiences, of course local art, and some great trips as well!

We can still accept items for the silent auction up until the week before the event but note that the deadline to be in the program has passed.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to reach out at any time to Bri Sullivan 702-499-3154 or Brianne.sullivan@moneytreeinc.com

Coloring Contest

Our Jessie Beck yearbook coloring contest is going to begin the week of April 5th. Entries are due to Mrs. Espinosa by April 30th. Please make sure to include the year (20220-2021) and spell out Jessie Beck Elementary on the front of the picture.

Each picture MUST follow these guidelines:

- Use only 8 ½ inch white copy paper
- Design and color need to be clean and copy ready
- Student's full name and grade level must be neatly printed ON THE BACK of the design in PENCIL
- Leave at least a ½ inch margin on the LEFT SIDE of paper for binding purposes.

I will need volunteers to help judge our entries. This will take place the first week of May. Please let me know if you are interested in helping. If you have any questions, you can contact me at despinosa@washoeschools.net
Thank you and happy drawing! Mrs. Espinosa

Art to Grow

High fives all around to every class for the amazing job they have accomplished creating their collaborative art pieces! While the process was a bit different this year, the excitement was still off the charts. Yes, we are resilient and can overcome obstacles with mask covered smiles. We missed our Arties on campus and were very delighted to have several Zoom teach their projects. The projects you see represent much more than a finished piece of art; they represent new discoveries, shared experience, community, laugher, and joy. These one-of-kind masterpieces are sure to impress. We have everything from sculpture to painting, printmaking to clay, fabric and more. Please come view in person on the April 24th or online to pick your favorite(s) and bid to take home.

Art & joy,

Robin

Talent Show

SATURDAY MAY 22nd

Save the Date for a TALENT SHOW starring YOU!

The Dual Language Advisory Council (DLAC) welcomes all students to participate.

In the coming weeks look for a link to rules, registration, video submission, prizes (1st, 2nd, & 3rd), and raffles fun!

Videos should be no more than 90 seconds and need to be submitted no later than April 30th.

This exciting event, for parents and students, showcasing our many talented JB students will take place at school.

Sponsorship opportunities are available and raffle donations are welcome.

Email BeckDLAC@gmail.com or call Wendy at (775) 250-5064 for more information on this event.

We look forward to seeing you shine!

Talent Show

SÁBADO 22 DE MAYO

¡Reserve esta fecha para un SHOW de TALENTO protagonizado por USTED!

El Consejo Asesor de Lenguaje Dual (DLAC) desea invitar a todos los estudiantes a participar.

En las próximas semanas, busque un enlace con las reglas, registro, envío de videos, premios (1º, 2º y 3º) y rifas.

Todo será muy divertido!

Los videos no deben durar más de 90 segundos y deben enviarse a más tardar el 30 de abril.

Este emocionante evento, para padres y estudiantes, que mostrara a nuestros talentosos estudiantes de JB se llevará a cabo en la escuela.

Hay oportunidades de patrocinio disponibles y donaciones para rifas son bienvenidas.

Envíe un correo electrónico a BeckDLAC@gmail.com o llame a Wendy al (775) 250-5064 para obtener más información sobre este evento.



Enroll your child in a week-long summer camp where students will have fun while learning Spanish! Spanish instruction will be offered from 9:30am-1:30pm daily, with an additional 2 hours of aftercare available each day (1:30-3:30pm). Advanced/Immersion classes are available the week of July 12-16. Beginner classes are available the week of July 19-23.

When: July 12-16 (Mon-Fri) – Advanced/Immersion Spanish Classes July 19-23 (Mon-Fri) – Beginner Spanish Classes

<u>Price</u>: \$140/week for Spanish Instruction Only (M-F 9:30am – 1:30pm daily) \$200/week for Spanish Instruction Plus Aftercare (M-F 9:30am – 3:30pm daily)

Location: Jessie Beck Elementary (Tentative, subject to change)

The Spanish Language Summer Camp is being organized and run by Jessie Beck parents and volunteers. Enrollment is open to incoming 1st through 6th graders of Jessie Beck. Class sizes are limited to 8 students per instructor and all COVID protocols will be followed (social distancing, masks, etc.). Registration is first come, first served and there are NO refunds (unless the camp is canceled due to COVID). Scholarships are available to students based on financial need.





¡Inscriba a su hijo en un campamento de verano donde los estudiantes se divertirán mientras aprenden español! Se ofrecerá instrucción en español de 9:30am a 1:30pm diariamente, con 2 horas opcionales de tiempo libre supervisado cada día (1:30pm a 3:30pm). Las clases avanzadas/ de inmersión están disponibles la semana del 12 al 16 de julio. Las clases para principiantes están disponibles la semana del 19 al 23 de julio.

<u>Cuándo</u>: 12-16 de julio (lunes a viernes) - Clases Avanzadas / de Inmersión

19-23 de julio (lunes a viernes) - Clases de Español Para Principiantes

<u>Precio</u>: \$140/semana sólo por instrucción en español (9:30am – 1:30pm

diariamente, de lunes a viernes)

\$200/semana por instrucción en español más tiempo libre supervisado (9:30am – 3:30pm diariamente, de lunes a viernes)

<u>Ubicación</u>: Jessie Beck Elementary (Provisional, sujeto a cambios)

El campamento de español está organizado y dirigido por padres y voluntarios de Jessie Beck. La inscripción está disponible para los estudiantes de Jessie Beck que ingresen al 1º hasta 6º grado el próximo año escolar. El tamaño de las clases está limitado a 8 alumnos por instructor y se seguirán todos los protocolos COVID (distanciamiento social, mascarillas, etc.). La inscripción es por orden de llegada y NO hay reembolsos (a menos que el campamento se cancele debido a COVID). Las becas están disponibles para los estudiantes según sus necesidades financieras.







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