The Hornet's Buzz Jackson Township Elementary NOVEMBER 2022

Dear Parents,

November 30, 2022

I hope that everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving! As we continue through the Holiday season, I am reminded of how much I truly enjoy this time of year! So many memories of growing up in Terre Haute come to mind, and I try to relive some of those while making new ones with my family! The sights and sounds of this time of year seem to bring out the child in all of us! During the month of November, JTE celebrated and honored 65 veterans of the armed forces during

our successful Veteran's Day program. While many school corporations take the day off, Clay Community Schools takes the opportunity to teach students about the importance of thanking our veterans for the sacrifices they make to secure the liberties we enjoy as Americans.

Last, Jackson Township Elementary has a rich tradition of putting on great Christmas programs. For many years, we have worked to provide memorable programs for our students and families. Our new Music Teacher, Lydia Miller, has selected fun and exciting arrangements of music for our students to learn and perform. The Jackson Township Christmas Program will be Thursday, December 8, 2022. Be sure to look in your child's backpack for future information regarding the program.

Brad Ennen

JTE Principal



CHARACTER CORNER

Each week, your child will be introduced to a Character Quality, which is part of the JTE Character Education Program. *Parents are encouraged to discuss these qualities at home and suggest ways your child can model these qualities.* The qualities for December are:

Politeness. Politeness means showing good manners.

Fairness. Fairness means to be honest and just.



The *Parenting Practicalities* section is designed to provide you with common-sense tips on your most important role, that of being a *PARENT*.

The following bullet points were taken from the article written by Dr. Marie Hartwell-Walker, a licensed psychologist and marriage and family counselor. These are good reminders for us, our children's parents.

- Holidays are not an "extra:. They are essential markers in the rhythm of life.
- Embrace holidays. There are never enough reasons to celebrate life.
- If you don't like the commercialism that has come to surround some holidays, make up your own traditions.
- Be thoughtful about the values and traditions that you want ot pass on to your children through your holiday activities.
- Include your children in the planning, creating, cooking, storytelling, gifting, visiting, etc Kids who are part of it all will know how to carry it on when it is their turn.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Dec. 8 Christmas Program/JTE Papa John's Night
- Dec. 15 Yearbook Pics
- Dec. 21 Christmas Break begins at the end of the day
- Jan. 3 Teacher In Service Day
- Jan. 4 Students Return to School

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Iyla Adkins Harper Bridwell Reese Clements Bentley Deer Corbin Evans Karalynn Floyd Isabelle Gregory Jayce Hickman Noah Keller Kyden Lark Shiloh Martin Ava Moore

McKenna Morris Jaymie Mullenix Prestyn Robinson Stella Rubeck Kenzley Sciotto Spencer Spillmann Madison Swearingen Weston Vanatti Charles Weddle Oakleigh Wells Aubrey Yocom

Soon we'll be collecting food for Christmas baskets. These baskets will only go to JTE Families in need of assistance. We are asking for the following donations, from each grade, to be brought in December 5th-7th.

Kindergarten: canned corn First Grade: canned green beans Second Grade: boxed instant mashed potatoes and jars/cans of gravy Third Grade: boxed stuffing mix Fourth Grade: bag of dry noodles and cans of chicken broth Fifth Grade: boxed cake or brownie mix

Several other perishable items for the baskets will be purchased by our generous PTO.



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