

October Newsletter

From the Principal's Desk



Thank you to everyone that signed up for Remind 101. By signing up you will receive quick reminders, notifications and updates directly to your computer or cell phone in the form of a text message. It is quick, easy and allows you to stay updated.

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On October 13th we are having "Hat Day" in support of United Way. The United Way supports many different organizations in our community including our breakfast program. On the 13th students are asked to

donate a Loonie and wear a hat in support of the United Way.



Halloween activities will be held on both Friday Oct. 27th and Tuesday, Oct. 31st. On the Friday students are asked to wear orange and black with students from grades 4-8 enjoying a dance in the afternoon. On Halloween day, for students choosing to wear costumes, please remember that they should come to school already dressed in their costume and should bring a change

of clothes. Please remember that costumes must be school friendly (free from blood, guts and weapons). All costumes must be appropriate and in good taste. Primary students will go on their annual school parade in the morning and will visit Leisure Living later in the day. Lastly our grade 8 students will be running their Haunted House in the afternoon. Details about the Haunted House will come from our Student Council a few days in advance.

The **Green Team** will once again be recycling Ink Cartridges,

Markers and Batteries (please only AAA, AA, C, D & 9V). For 9V batteries, please put a piece of tape over the top of the battery. This helps us safely store the batteries prior to them being collected.

Litter-less lunches and other Green initiatives will be coming soon!

Please register at <http://www.rawmaterials.com/ontario-school-recycling-challenge/>

to have a chance to win some terrific prizes, just for recycling batteries! Our school has been registered.

Important October Dates

PA Day (No School)	3rd
Jr. And Int. Soccer Tournaments	4th & 5th
Dental Screening (Jk, SK & Gr. 2)	11th & 12th
Hat Day	13th
School Trip to Lighthouse Theater	26th
ACE Assembly @ 12:15	27th
Halloween	31st

Reminders

- Please remember to report student absences to the office
- Looking to volunteer? Get your police check at the office.
- Please see the attached calendar for more important dates

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**Please sign up for school newsletters,
reminders and updates!**

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On your computer or smartphone visit

<http://rmd.at/jarvisps>

Or

Text the message @jarvisps to the number (226) 271-1243

Fundraising

Thank you to everyone that decided to participate in this year's fundraising campaign.



Please return all money, unsold chocolate and FundScrip orders to the school by Oct 19th.

For anyone interested in a second box please return the money for the first box to the school so another box can be sent home.



School Council

School Council is one of many ways to get involved at Jarvis Public School. School Council meets a few times per year and works with staff to make our school a great place. Council supports many things in our school including Strong Start, school trips, the Arts, special event days (e.g. Christmas Lunch), school beautification projects and various fundraisers. Council also provides input to the school

acting as the voice of parents. School Council's next meeting is October 23rd at 6:00 pm in the staff room.

This year's School Council Executive members are ...

Chair- Sarah Butcher

Vice-Chair & Fundraising Coordinator—Katie MacKenzie

Treasurer- Miranda Montague

Secretary—Vacant (if you are interested please contact Sarah Butcher via email chairjar@outlook.com)

Community Representative- Donna Berry

Teacher Representative- Karen Craddock

Student Representative—Jasmine Dawson

EQAO Update

The results of last spring's EQAO assessment were released to the public on September 19th.

Our Primary, grade 3, results (shown on the graph below) indicate steady overall results in reading and writing with math as an area to focus on. When comparing last year's results to our historic results they are quite consistent.

Our Junior results, bottom right, show great achievement in reading with room to grow in writing

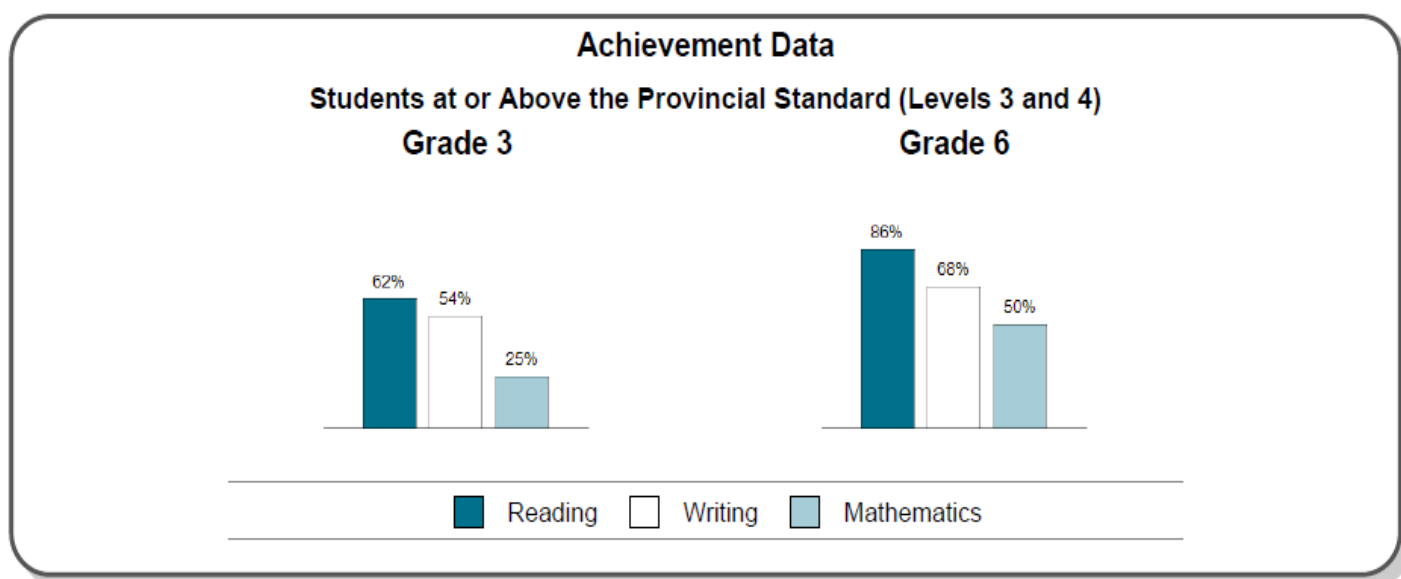
and mathematics.

Individual student reports for those students who participated in last spring's assessment will be sent home soon. These reports indicate how individual students performed in each of the assessment areas.

The school uses the information from our EQAO results to determine and plan for future programming throughout the school year. This year the school will continue to look at mathematics as an area of focus and improvement. This is

consistent with the Province's Renewed Math Strategy which will see math become a focus across Ontario.

For families that have children in grades 3 and 6 information around this year's assessment will come your way later in the school year. EQAO assessments are scheduled for the end of May and beginning of June.



Volunteering

There are many opportunities to volunteer at our school. If you are interested in volunteering you must have a valid police check on file. Police checks are valid for 2 years from when they are issued. Forms for obtaining a police check are available through the school office.

Volunteer opportunities include...

- School Council
- Breakfast Volunteer
- Strong Start
- Head Checks
- School Trip Supervisor
- Volunteer Driver
- Track and Field Booth
- Book Fair

- And many more....

If you would like to volunteer please ask your child's teacher or a member of our School Council how to get started.

AODA training is a new requirement for volunteers this year. AODA training can be accessed through either the Board's or School's website.