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<p><b><u>OPEN HOUSE, BOOK FAIR and BOOK DRIVE</u></b></p> <p>We will have a Book Fair during the week of September 13-17. Our annual OPEN HOUSE will be Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30 PM. This is a great time to have fun with your child and see all aspects of the school. <u>Students may not attend without adult supervision.</u></p>	<p><b><u>SAFETY AND SECURITY</u></b></p> <p>At Jamaica, we take safety of our students, staff, and guests seriously; therefore we are a closed campus.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please refrain from coming into the school to wait for your child at pick up time by the classroom door. Students will meet you outside after the 2:30pm bell. Thank you for everyone's help with this.</li> <li>2. It is critical for safety that all guests, including parents and guardians, check in at the front office and sign in for a visitor's badge. <u>We ask that you do not go into the classrooms without an appointment.</u></li> <li>3. The gates are staying locked in the mornings until 7:45am. This is for the safety and security of our students in the mornings. Students should wait near the building and away from the drive through lane.</li> <li>4. <u>In the parking lot</u>, please use the cross walk and <b><u>do not walk in front of traffic.</u></b> Thank you to our many parents who follow this rule to help model for our students.</li> </ol>
<p><b><u>LABOR DAY</u></b></p> <p>As a reminder, there will be no school on September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 in observance of Labor Day. We hope you enjoy your day and observe our national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country.</p>	<p><b><u>THEATRE CLUB</u></b></p> <p>Theatre club auditions will be held August 30<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 pm. Theatre Club is open to students in grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>. Those who are auditioning should be prepared to sing a one minute song from your phone or cd, and to read from the script.</p> <p><b><u>PTSO UPDATES</u></b></p> <p>Follow our PTSO social media pages for important updates! Facebook is Jamaica Elementary PTSO and Instagram is jamaicacrocstso</p>
<p><b><u>HEALTH OFFICE</u></b></p> <p>We are grateful to have our nurse Ms. Berstler with us all day. She will be on campus from 7:30am-3pm daily to help serve our students and monitor our needs during this time. She will be monitoring any student's needs, and assess students or staff as needed for any injury or potential signs of illness. We ask that ALL parents do their due diligence in screening your children for any signs of illness before reporting to school. Students who show any COVID related signs of illness will be monitored by our nurse.</p>	<p><b><u>KEEPING OUR CAMPUS HEALTHY!</u></b></p> <p>We are so excited to be able to have students on campus full time this year and allow for parents to join us for our events. With that said, we need assistance from families in ensuring that students who are showing symptoms of illness are kept home. COVID related illness, among other things such as the flu and strep throat, are highly transmittable. So, if your student says they are not feeling well or showing signs of stuffiness, cough, sore throat, fever, fatigue, etc. it is very important that you keep them at home. You can call the nurse to find out the best course of action based on your child's symptoms. However, in every case, children should be symptom free when they arrive at school and those who are showing symptoms at school or have a fever will be sent home to ensure safety. Thank you in advance for helping us keep our campus healthy and safe this year!</p>



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<p align="center"><b><u>DRESS CODE</u></b></p> <p>Start the year out right by making sure you have your shirts. Don't forget there is a Web Store found at:  <a href="https://az-lakehasasu.intouchreceipting.com/">https://az-lakehasasu.intouchreceipting.com/</a></p> <p>**In addition, a few notes for the dress code.  <b>Shorts and skirts must be fingertip length. This means long enough so that when standing straight, hands at sides, the hem is at the edge of the fingertips. All bottoms should be free from rips, holes, or tears above the knees.</b>      Students are responsible for checking in the mirror before coming to school.</p> <p><b>**Dress code will be enforced, and students will be required to change if they do not follow dress code. There will be NO exceptions.</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>PROGRESS REPORTS</u></b></p> <p>Progress reports will be distributed on Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>. All students will need to have their reports signed by their parents and returned to their teachers by Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Parents will receive information regarding upcoming parent conferences as our first grading period comes to an end on September 27<sup>th</sup>. Conferences will be mandatory for all students during first semester and will be scheduled during the week of 9/27-10/1. Please stay tuned for more information.</p> <p align="center"><b><u>PARENT AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES</u></b></p> <p>Parents:      It's important to us as a school to ensure that we are providing you with consistent and helpful resources to assist you in supporting your students and understanding the course of their learning at school.</p> <p>So, attached are links to some information and resources from our Department of Education to help you understand the requirements for Literacy for students in K-3rd grade, as well as other resources to support all students and families.</p> <p>We hope you will take a look to see what might be helpful for your family.</p> <p><b>Move on When Reading:</b>  <a href="http://www.azed.gov/mowr/family-and-community/">http://www.azed.gov/mowr/family-and-community/</a></p> <p><b>Special Education Resources/Links:</b>  <a href="http://www.azed.gov/parents/exceptional-students/">http://www.azed.gov/parents/exceptional-students/</a></p> <p><b>Arizona K-12 Standards:</b>  <a href="http://www.azed.gov/parents/education-standards/">http://www.azed.gov/parents/education-standards/</a></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>SYNERGY</u></b></p> <p>Please be sure to check in with the office if you still do not have a parent login to see your student's grades in Synergy. All grades (except Kindergarten) update their grading weekly in Synergy to ensure that parents can keep track of their students' progress. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to your teachers or the office staff.</p> <p align="center"><b><u>DISTRICT BOARD MEETING</u></b>  <b>9-21-21</b></p> <p>The September District Office board meeting will take place on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 6pm. The public is invited to attend.</p> <p align="center"><b><u>SITE COUNCIL</u></b></p> <p>Our 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Site Council meeting will likely take place on September 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 in the Library.</p> <p>Meetings are open to all parents and public if you would like to attend.</p>	<p align="center"><b><u>CROC TREATS and BIRTHDAY MARQUEE</u></b></p> <p>Our Jamaica PTSO will be selling CROC TREATS outside on early release days (every Thursday) at 1pm until Fall Break. Snow cones will be \$1.00 and all proceeds will go to approved PTSO school projects or needs.</p> <p>PTSO is also offering the Birthday Marquee Fundraiser. \$10 will get your child's name on the marquee for their birthday week. We can also do ½ birthdays as well! Forms are in the office.</p>
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