



HAWK HIGHLIGHTS



IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- May 1: Valley Gives!
- May 4: Art Show
Reception at JFK 4:00-6:00
- May 7-11: Staff Appreciation Week. See attached flyer for information.
- May 10: Spaghetti Supper and Carnival Fun at the Elks to support our trips to Nature's Classroom. There will be continuous seating from 5:30-7:00. Come enjoy a yummy dinner for a great cause!
- May 18: 12:20 Dismissal for Teacher Work Day
- May 23 and 24: Kindergarten Buddy Days (we welcome new kindergarten students for a visit!)
- May 24 at 6:30: Talent Show
- May 25 at 1:30: Memorial Day Celebration— Families and friends are welcome!
- June 8: Field Day
- June 9: Car Wash Fundraiser for Nature's Classroom at Webber and Grinnell from 10-2. Come get your car cleaned for a great cause!
- June 19 at 1:30: 5th Grade Celebration
- June 20: Last Day of School with a 12:20 dismissal

HAWK HIGHLIGHTS ITEMS FROM MRS. MADDEN

"The Hawk Highlights" is our bi-monthly school newsletter that is sent home with students or sent via email.

Por favor llame a la oficina de la escuela si necesita este boletín traducido.

Here is the NEW address for our district's homepage:

<http://www.northamptonschools.org/>

And the NEW address for our school's site:

<http://www.northamptonschools.org/project/rk-finn-ryan-road-school/>

Click on "School News" to get the Principal's Weekly Update and other school news! I also try hard to keep the Calendar up to date. Let me know if you have any feedback about the website.

We raised \$134.85 for the Shriner's Hospital for Children on Crazy Hat and Hair day! Thank you to all who donated!

PLACEMENT PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR

It is hard to believe that I am starting to think about the 2018-2019 school year, but I wanted to let you know that we will conduct the process of class placement similarly to the way we did the last several years. Class placement decisions will be made by the end of this school year, and your child's teacher for next year will be communicated to you with his/her end of year report card. Also, we plan to have a brief gathering of next year's classes and teachers on the last day of school. We have found that this process eliminates some of the summer anxiety that can occur by waiting until the end of the summer. I have received positive feedback about the process from students, teachers, and families.

I will be working carefully with teachers to create class groupings that work well together and build positive, productive learning communities. Families cannot select teachers, and I certainly hope that we will all work well together to ensure a good year ahead for all of our students. All of the teachers at our school are committed to developing positive relationships and nurturing academic success. However, if you feel that you have necessary information to share with me before this process begins, please do not hesitate to contact me by **Friday, May 25**.

Thank you!



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“WALKING WEDNESDAYS”

every Wednesday in
May
See attached
information and call
the office with any
questions.



NORTHAMPTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS’ K-8 ART SHOW

OPENING RECEPTION @ JFK Middle School on
Friday, May 4th
from 4:00PM – 6:00PM

The exhibition will host a sampling of original artwork by local students from Leeds, Ryan Road, Jackson Street, Bridge Street and J.F.K. Middle Schools. There will be light refreshments served and beautiful artwork that is both 2-D and 3-D. The show will run from May 4th through the 25th.

Please join us for this wonderful event!

• Reminder: MCAS SPRING TESTING SCHEDULE (remaining dates)

Grade 3 (Math)
May 2 & May 9

Grade 4 (Math)
May 4 & May 8

Grade 5 (Math)
May 3 & May 10

Grade 5 (Science)
May 15 and May 17

NORTHAMPTON PRIDE IS MAY 5!

Please save the date and plan to join our Ryan Road contingency marching with Northampton Public schools. We will meet around 10:00 in the parking lot across from Northampton Brewery. The parade kicks off at 11:00.

Please join us!

Remember to wear comfortable shoes and sunscreen!