



Dates to Remember:

March 23: Kindergarten Orientation: 5:30-6:00pm (parents only)

March 23: Music Night/PTA Meeting: 6:00pm (NEW TIME)

March 25: Science Fair: 6:00pm

March 26: Teacher Work Day: No school

March 31-April 1: Mastermind Booklets go home

April 14-16: Mastermind Collection Dates

Annual Masterminds Program

Our Masterminds program kicked off on Thursday, March 18! This annual project is held in conjunction with the Medical University of South Carolina's Children's Hospital. This program serves as a fundraiser for the hospital and as a math enhancement activity for the students. To date, JBE students have collected over \$212, 000.00 since 1990!

Each student who participates is given a booklet with math problems to be worked for a pledged amount. Upon completion of the problems, the student then collects the pledged monies and donates the funds to the Children's Hospital. Although prizes are given for students who participate, the students also benefit from the math practice and from the intrinsic reward of helping others who may be seriously ill. MUSC benefits by receiving additional funds to carry on their wonderful work! We are looking forward to another productive and successful year. We hope that we can count on your continued support of this worthy project!

Paul Irwin and Beth Saunders

Music Night March 23

Lights! Camera! Action!

Mark your calendars for March 23rd at 6:00 pm (NEW TIME) and come celebrate "Music in Our Schools Month" at JBE! Our 2nd Graders will present "Seussical for Kids", a short skit featuring Dr. Seuss' favorite books. Also, Mrs. Cross will direct the 5th Grade Strings students in a spring concert and Mrs. All will direct the JBE South Carolina Elementary Honors Choir students. In addition, the Cultural Arts Contest Winners will be recognized in all four categories of music composition, visual arts, photography, and literature. JBE Winners, County Winners, and State Winners (if any) will be recognized. Please contact Lauriel Sawin if you have questions about the contest. loggerheadtrade@yahoo.com

Kindergarten Orientation Meeting

Tuesday, March 23rd 5:30-6:00 JBE Library

We will have a presentation and Q&A regarding our school and more specifically our kindergarten program. Kindergarten teachers will be available to answer any questions you may have. **This evening is intended for parents. We ask that other arrangements be made for children.** School tour dates have been set. You may contact our front office at 849-2805 to schedule a tour. Please pass this information along to anyone you know who has an incoming Egret for the 2010-20011 school year. Also, please invite them to stay for our Music Night following the orientation.

Science Fair

The annual JBE Science Fair will be held Thursday, March 25 from 6pm-7pm in the cafeteria. This year, the committee wants to provide students with the opportunity to present their own projects. So, everyone will enter the cafeteria at 6pm. Students will stand beside their own projects to explain them for the first 10 minutes as families circulate. In the next 10 minutes everyone will be encouraged to peruse other projects. At 6:20, ribbon winners will begin to be announced.

Volunteers are needed during the day on Thursday to help check in and bring projects to the cafeteria. If you are interested in helping please contact Laura Moore at Laura_Moore@charleston.k12.sc.us.

School Improvement Council (SIC)

The SIC will be sending home a parent survey on Friday of this week regarding a school uniform/dress code policy for next year. We encourage all parents to take a few moments and participate in this survey.

Doodle for Google Extended

Hey Kids, the Doodle 4 Google contest has been extended until Monday, March 22. The theme this year is "If I Could Do Anything, I Would... ". If you are interested in participating, please go to <http://www.google.com/doodle4google/> and under the "school info" tab, print out an entry form, a parental consent form and a Google template to start your creation. Entries will be judged and prizes will be awarded accordingly. First place will receive a \$20 gift card to Discovery Ice Cream.

Y102.5 Teacher of the Month

Don't forget to keep voting for first grade teacher Mrs. Fahney in the Y102.5's Teacher of the Month contest. She could win a class party from McDonald's, a \$50 gift certificate to Teach in Mt. Pleasant, a \$50 gift certificate to the Reading Warehouse in Charleston plus a brand new iPod Nano. You can vote an unlimited number of times for Mrs. Fahney (until March 31) at:

<http://www.y1025.com/pages/teacher.html?feed=295737&article=4192397>

Around Town

March 19: Free Family Friday Fest sponsored by the Junior League of Charleston. 5-8pm at the Children's Museum. For more information visit www.explorecmj.org

March 20: 2010 Water Missions International Walk for Water. Cannon Park, 10:00am. For more information visit: www.watermissions.org.

March 20-21: Hits for Halos: Charity Tennis Pro/Am Tournament at I'ON Club. 9am-8pm (Sat) 9am-5pm (Sun). Free Admission. All proceeds go to HALO's Summer Camp Program for abused and neglected children in Charleston County. For more information visit www.charlestonhalos.org

March 20: Albino Alligator Grand Opening: South Carolina Aquarium 9am-6pm. For more information visit www.scaquarium.org

March 23: Sustainable Seafood Initiative Dinner: BLU Restaurant and Bar on Folly Beach, 6-9pm. Register in advance. For more information visit www.scaquarium.org

March 27: Cooper River Bridge Run, 8am. Registration is \$40. For more information visit www.bridgerun.com

