

Autumn Update

"You can't hide that egret pride!"



A Message From Mrs. Mitchell, Principal

Wow, it is hard to believe that fall is here! The last two months have flown. Students and teachers have acclimated well to the academic rigors of the school year.

We will complete our first round of M.A.P. (Measures of Academic Progress) testing this week. All students in grades one through five will have been tested in Math and Reading. The data will provide a road map for teachers as they plan for individual students strengths and weaknesses.

We have wonderful parental and community support at James B. Edwards. I would like to thank the PTA for all

of the hard work that went into the Sally Foster Fund-raiser. I would also like to thank the Endowment for partnering with the school to help fund an assistant for the computer lab. We will be interviewing for that position early next week. Mrs. DiCenzo and I also enjoyed mingling with the parents that came out for our first "Coffee and Conversation" with the principals.

I would like to thank the faculty, parents, and students for working to make our arrival and dismissal times run efficiently.

One of CCSD's initiatives this year is a focus on literacy. With that in mind, Ms. Pederson, is sponsoring a reading incentive entitled "100 BY 100." Students in grades 3-5 are encouraged to accumulate 100 AR points before the 100th day of school!

We have several new programs and initiatives that we have started this year such as daily WJBE News, Administrator Accolades Incentive Program, and upcoming Student Council elections.

We will have a school sponsored Yankee Candle Fund-raiser beginning the end of October with delivery before the holidays!



Upcoming Events:

- Oct. 21st-Early Release 12:30 PM
- Oct. 23rd- No Students- Teacher Work-day
- Oct. 26th-No Students Professional Dev. Day
- Oct. 27-Report Cards
- Nov. 4th-Early Release 12:30 PM

A Message From Mrs. DiCenzo, Assistant Principal

We are working hard to ensure we give our children the programs needed to elevate their achievement and receive a well-rounded education. We are proud to offer a variety of outlets for our students through the arts, academics, and after school com-

munity programs.

One of the changes this year has been the district's new math adoption, Everyday Math. It involves the use of manipulatives and is a hands-on approach program. You can learn more about this

program when we have our family math night..

We encourage all of you to read each night with your children. It takes all of us working together to make our school successful. Thank you for your support.