

John F. Kennedy Elementary School Weekly Update



Friday, November 19, 2021

Important Dates

Tues., November 23
Grade 5 Band

Wed., November 24
Bulldog Pride Day
Wear Blue & White

Turkey Trot

Early Release

Thurs., November 25
No School
Happy Thanksgiving!

Fri., November 26
No School
Thanksgiving Break



[November Lunch
Calendar](#)

[November Event
Calendar](#)



Early Release



Please remember that next Wednesday, November 24th, is an early release for all students in Holbrook. JFK students will be dismissed at 11:45AM. There is no afternoon preschool. If there is a change to your child's normal routine for getting home please send a note into school. Please also keep in mind that students may only ride on their assigned bus.

Test and Stay



For the 2021-22 school year, we are offering an extra layer of protection to prevent the spread of COVID-19 at school. This Test & Stay Program includes symptomatic testing for students who show symptoms of COVID-19 at school as well as for students who may have been exposed while in school but are not showing symptoms. **For more information about this program, please read the attached letter.**

Additionally, we ask all parents/guardians to click the link below to access the consent portal to opt in or out of this program.

<https://www.cic-health.com/consent/ma>

Influenza Update



If your child is receiving the Influenza Vaccine this year, please provide a copy of your child's updated immunization record to the Health Office. If they have a medical or religious exemption, those can also be turned into the Health Office.

Attendance Policy

We encourage parents/guardians to call the health office with any questions regarding your child's symptoms and whether they should stay home or come to school.

Health Office: 781-767-4600, extension 11141



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Students are required to attend school on a daily basis. **Please call or email the school if your child will be absent.** If the school is not notified by 9:30am, the school nurse/staff member will contact you to inquire about your child's absence from school.

Students must arrive to school by 11:45 to be marked as present for the partial day. Students must be dismissed after 11:45 to be marked as present for the partial day.

Excused absences are those absences accompanied by documentation. Documentation may include: medical appointments, religious holidays, death of a family member, court appearances, orthodontist/dental appointments, or illness supported by a physician.

Unexcused absences include those without a medical note, family vacations, or illness absences without a physician's note.

Parent(s)/guardian(s) will be notified when a student has reached five days of unexcused absences in the school year.

A letter will be sent home and a follow up meeting may be scheduled with the building Principal. The parent/guardian and school staff will develop an agreed upon action plan to improve the student's attendance. This follows Massachusetts State Law.

Pupils are expected to be in their classrooms by 8:45am. **All late students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Upon arrival, parents/guardians will be required to sign their child in with the main office.**

2021-2022 Yearbooks



Online ordering for the 2021-2022 JFK Yearbook is officially open! Click the link and enter the ID Code number listed below.

ybpay.lifetouch.com
Yearbook ID Code: 14069422

You will then be prompted to enter your child's name and grade. After entering this personal information, you will reach the ordering form.

This year's Yearbook will cost \$20.00. An optional Zoom insert is available for an additional \$1.75. The Zoom insert displays this year's most memorable news, sports, entertainment and more!

Paper ordering forms will be sent home to students for any family wishing to pay by cash or check. However, we encourage families to take advantage of this online feature this year!

The deadline for ordering a yearbook is
Friday, March 18, 2022.

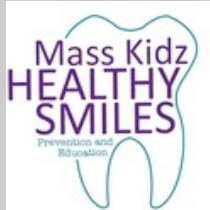


Attention Grade 5 Parents/Guardians

Exciting news! This year EVERY 5th grade student will receive a **FREE Yearbook** and a **FREE Zoom insert** to remember their last year at JFK.

Therefore, Grade 5 parents DO NOT need to order a yearbook.

Mass Kidz Healthy Smiles



Information about an optional in school dental program went home with your student. This program is free and offers cleanings and fluoride treatments to students. Mass Kidz Healthy Smiles will be administering the program the last week of November. If you would like your child to participate, please return the completed and signed blue form to school. For more information about this program, please visit their website below.

[Mass Kidz Healthy Smiles](#)