News

Elementary I

# **Greetings from Your Assistant Principal**

## **Dismissal Procedures**

If your student will be going home a different way than usual, you must notify the teacher or contact the office. Send a note to the teacher first thing in the morning or call the office prior to 2:00 p.m. Please do not email the teacher in case there is a substitute or the teacher doesn't have the opportunity to check their email throughout the school day. If we do not receive a note or phone call, students will be sent home their usual way.

#### **Parent Information**

PowerSchool, registration, lunch menu, free and reduced waivers, PTO, health services, parent and student handbook, academic calendars, student links, and much more can all be found on our district website <u>www.min201.org</u> under parent information. Please refer to this information if you have any questions regarding district rules and policies.

#### **Student Absences**

For all of our attendance policies, please view the student handbook. Remember to call your child in by 9:00 a.m. if they will be absent. School Messenger calls will go out at 9:30 a.m. If your child is not called in by the end of the school day, they will be marked as unexcused. Valid causes for excused absences include: illness, observance of a religious holiday or event, death in the immediate family, family emergency, situations beyond the control of the student, circumstances that cause reasonable concerns to the parent/guardian for the student's health and safety, and attending a military honors funeral to sound TAPS. All other absences, including vacations, are unexcused.

# **Celebrations & Reminders**

- Jones Elementary students recorded an amazing 149,434 minutes in our Summer Reading Challenge. Congratulations to all of our boys and girls who participated.
- No play weapons of any kind can be brought to school on Halloween. Masks should be kept in student backpacks until the Halloween parade begins. All makeup and costumes should be put on before the school day begins.

## A Look Ahead

October 2: Custodian Appreciation Day October 11: Fall Picture Day October 14: Columbus Day –No School October 18: Fall Dance @ 6:00 October 21-25: Fall Bookfair October 23: Bookfair Family Night October 25: End of Quarter 1 October 31: Halloween Parade @ 9:30 October 31: Halloween Parties @ 10:00 October 31: Early Dismissal @ 1:35 November 1: No School – Teacher Institute November 6: Fall Picture Retakes November 8: End of Trimester 1 (Kindergarten) November 8: Early Dismissal @ 1:35

#### **Important Contact Information**

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Kindest Regards,

Mrs. Sarah Monroe 😊

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Halloween is right around the corner. Our PTO has planned a fun filled morning which includes a Halloween parade that our families are invited to attend. Our Halloween parade will take place outside weather permitting. Students will exit door 4 and will parade around the West side of the building to the front South side of the building. Students will re-enter the building at door 15. Parents are invited to stand in the bus loop lot and the west side of the building in the grassy areas to watch. If weather becomes an issue, the gymnasium will be used and families will be invited inside.