

John F. Kennedy Elementary School Weekly Update

Friday, November 7, 2025



[EVENTS CALENDAR](#)

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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, Nov 10

Grade 5 Veterans
Day Performance
9:15AM

*Use Door #3

Wear Red, White &
Blue!

Tuesday, Nov 11

No School -
Veterans Day

Wednesday, Nov 12

Beginner Band

Thursday, Nov 13

Chorus

Friday, Nov 14

Early Release



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Principal Corner

This year JFK will be releasing monthly issues of Helping Children Learn. This newsletter is written with today's busy families in mind and is packed with proven, evidence-based school success ideas for parents that you can put into action right away!



In every issue, families can learn strategies for supporting school success including:

- Building reading, language and math skills
- Establishing effective study habits
- Promoting regular school attendance
- Goal-setting to achieve academic results
- Developing persistence, resilience and enthusiasm for learning
- Instilling respect for rules, authority and other people
- Forming a school-home connection
- Plus much more!

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[Tips Families Can Use to Help Children Do Better in School](#)

As always, I encourage parents/guardians to reach out to the school at any time if you have any questions or concerns throughout the year.

Early Release



Please remember that next Friday, November 14th, 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.

Veterans Day Performance



Grade 5 Parents are cordially invited to attend the 5th grade Veterans Day Performance on Monday, November 10th at 9:15AM. Doors will open at 9:00 and we kindly ask parents to utilize



Door #3 (the cafeteria door) upon arrival.

All students are encouraged to wear red, white and blue.

Every year the JFK 5th Graders do a Veteran's Day performance, which includes a very special slideshow. We are excited to announce that we will be doing our performance again this year -

LIVE - on Monday, November 10th at 9:15! (Grade 5 parents are encouraged to save the date and time. More information will follow.) We will also be requesting HCAM to record the performance for any family member that is unable to attend.



We will be continuing our tradition by compiling a slideshow of Veterans who are important to our JFK family. The slideshow will include photos of family members of students in grades PK-5 and staff of the JFK School. If you have a photo of a loved one that has served in the U.S. military and/or is currently serving, please send in a photo to be included in the slideshow. Please email photos to our music teacher, Mrs. Sordillo at rsordillo@holbrook.k12.ma.us. **Please send in the photos no later than Friday, November 7th to be included in the slide show.**

If you sent in a photo last year (or in past years), your photo is already included.

Robotics Club



Robotics Session I has officially concluded! Students wrapped up with the exciting Sphero Parking Wars race, and congratulations go to **Riley**, the winner of the competition.

The next robotics session will begin on January 7.

Little Free Library



Thank you to everyone who joined us for the unveiling of JFK's Little Free Library on Thursday afternoon!

We extend our sincere gratitude to all who made this project possible. The **HEPG** generously donated, designed, built, painted, and planned every detail, with special thanks to **Amy Mills** for her time, creativity, and dedication in

bringing this vision to life. We also thank **Mento Landscape and Paving** for donating materials and labor to install the library,

and our local Girl Scout Troop for starting the positivity snake that now surrounds it, reminding us to spread kindness each day.

The unveiling marked the opening of a space where everyone is invited to "take a book, leave a book," and share in the joy of reading. Together, we look forward to keeping this library filled with stories, curiosity, and community spirit.



Girl Scout Food Drive

FOOD DRIVE

Hosted by

**Girl Scout Troop
64688 and 64688**

Nov. 17th - Dec. 19th

**Accepting
all non-
perishable
foods**

**The donations will go
to the Holbrook
Food Pantry
which supports Holbrook
and Avon residents.**



FOOD DRIVE

Hosted by Girl Scout Troops 63403 and 64688

November 17th - December 19th

Accepting all non-perishable foods

CANNED GOODS

- 1 Canned meats, poultry, and seafood (like tuna)
- 2 Canned vegetables and fruits
- 3 Canned beans and legumes (e.g., baked beans)
- 4 Canned soups, stews, and chill
- 5 Canned juices and broths
- 6 Canned tomatoes
- 7 Peanut butter and nut butters
- 8 Jelly and jam
- 9 Pickles and olives

DRIED AND BOXED GOODS

- 1 Rice, pasta, and other grains
- 2 Oats and rolled oats
- 3 Crackers and pretzels
- 4 Dried beans and lentils
- 5 Cereal and granola bars
- 6 Flour, sugar, and spices
- 7 Powdered milk
- 8 Pancake and biscuit mix
- 9 Dried fruit
- 10 Instant coffee and tea bags

SHELF-STABLE OTHER

- 1 Bottled water
- 2 Honey, syrup, and cooking spray
- 3 Beet jerky
- 4 Baking mixes and frosting
- 5 Hard candy
- 6 Coconut oil and avocado oil

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Thanksgiving Dinner
Winthrop Congregational Church



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