



The HOOT

October 2026

OWL Community Newsletter



Principal's Message

Hello OWL Families,
I hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful fall break! October is a busy time of year for our staff, students & families at JMC. The month of October brings lots of excitement which includes a field trip for our 4th graders to California Big Trees, The Great California Shake-Out Drill, PBIS Kick-Off, Unity Day, Rotary Read In for K-3, OWLS & STEM Habits of Minds Awards Assemblies, Red Ribbon Week and our PTSA OWL-O-WEEN Trunk or Treat! And right after the month comes to a close, PTSA will be continuing the festivities with our annual STEMfest following on November 6th! We have lots of learning & joy taking place at JMC. There will be more details shared soon regarding upcoming events and we hope you'll join us!



A couple of reminders to share...
Please be sure to label your child's name on clothing, lunch pails & water bottles....and to check our Lost & Found items. They are placed out front every Friday and our collection is growing! Also, please pull ALL THE WAY FORWARD when dropping our Owls off in the morning. This is very helpful in keeping the flow of traffic moving along. Thank you!

As always, we appreciate our families for their continued support in helping our OWLS be present, prepared and productive in their learning. Thank you for putting a focus on regular school attendance, being ready and doing your best when at school. HOOT, HOOT,

HOOT! Read below for more information
on school attendance at JMC!

In Partnership,
Dawn Archer - Principal



August & September Attendance!

Our OWLS are putting in the effort to be present at school and in their learning! At our last Friday Flag Salute, I shared that almost all our grade levels met our district attendance goal of 95% or higher for August & September! We'll be putting in place some incentives for our students and classes who meet the mark each month, including monthly posters, classroom door banners, food certificates, sticker drops, and more!

And although our overall school attendance is looking OWLtastic, we also want to emphasize the importance of arriving to school on time and being present for the instructional day. We appreciate your support in helping JMC meet our district goals! Every minute counts for our OWLS at school!

HOOT, HOOT HOOT to our OWLS & Families for making school attendance a priority! Here are the results for August & September...

TK: Aug - 96.10% / Sept - 97.15%

K: Aug - 94.57% / Sept - 93.03%

1st: Aug - 95.77% / Sept - 94.91%

2nd: Aug - 96.42% / Sept - 96.82%

3rd: Aug - 97.05% / Sept - 96.04%

4th: Aug - 96.73% / Sept - 94.93%

5th: Aug - 96.27% / Sept - 97.52%

6th: Aug - 96.84% / Sept - 97.36%

7th: Aug - 96.80% / Sept - 95.00%

8th: Aug - 97.16% / Sept - 95.56%

October Happenings

10/12: Welcome Back/Early Release @ 1:30

10/13: 4th Grade Field Trip to California Big Trees

10/15: PBIS Kick-Off - Grades 7/8

10/16: Spirit Day Friday/Check Lost & Found

10/16: PBIS Kick-Off - Grades TK-6

10/19: Early Release @ 1:30

10/20: Picture Make-Up Day - *only for students who are signed up through parent communication to classroom teacher*

10/21: Unity Day - Wear Orange!

10/21: LUSD Board Meeting @ 7:00 - Beverly Holt Boardroom

10/23: Friday Flag Salute & Assembly/Check Lost & Found

10/26-10/30: Red Ribbon Week

10/26: Early Release @ 1:30

10/29: JMC Board Meeting @ 6:00 - OWLS Nest

10/29: OWLS & HOM Awards - OWLS Nest

TK-2 @ 8:30

3-6 @ 9:15

7-8 @ 2:30

10/30: OWL-O-WEEN & PTSA Trunk or Treat - more details & info to come!





JMC Celebrates Unity Day!

JMC is excited to participate in Unity Day as part of National Bullying Prevention Month!

Unity Day was started by PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center to promote kindness, acceptance, and inclusion and to show support for students who have experienced bullying. How can you participate? Wear ORANGE!

Orange is the color of Unity Day and represents our commitment to creating a school community where everyone feels welcome, valued, and included.

Our Peer Counselors will also be hosting special lunch activities to help students celebrate unity, friendship, and kindness!

Let's come together as an OWLS community to spread kindness, stand up for one another, and show that inclusion matters at JMC!



PTSA News

Our PTSA Owlance is busy planning for fun fall events at JMC! **Our OWL-O-WEEN Trunk or Treat will happen on Friday, October 30th!** More details to come soon.

And...Save the Date: **JMC STEM Fest, Friday, Nov. 6th @ 6:00-9:00.**

More information & details to come from PTSA in Parent Square!



Important Reminders!

- Follow **safe driving practices** for drop-off and pick-up
- Pull **ALL THE WAY FORWARD** when dropping off your student in order to prevent blocking the flow of traffic
- If arriving after dismissal time, please pick up your student by **1:45 on Monday** and **3:30 on Tuesday-Friday**
- Keep **open communication** with your student's teacher
- Please **do not park in and/or block areas of surrounding businesses**. Park along the street or arrive closer to the end of dismissal time at 3:30
- Please **do not park in the painted RED zones**.
- Please be **patient & appropriate** when talking with school staff and family members

We appreciate your cooperation...
THANK YOU!



Contact info

If you have any comments, questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us. Please reach out via the following means:

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