

JV FORRESTAL FALCONS NEWSLETTER



Band

Looking forward to a year of with the incoming 4th and 5th Grade Band students.

Enjoy your Summer! See you in September!

ART

Be on the lookout for students' art-work coming home in the next few weeks. These are truly memorable keepsakes! Enjoy the warm weather, our Summer break and find different ways to make art! Mrs. Pezzo



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear JVF Families,

And then it was June!... Here we are in the last month of school, thank you all for a wonderful school year. I am appreciative of our school community and wish everyone a great summer!

We are gearing up for final end of year happenings including our districts annual 3rd grade Calico Ball! Our students and staff are also looking forward to Sharpe, Field Days, end of year curriculum extension field trips, fun days, walking trips, 2nd Grade Dia Celebration, and of course our 5th grade moving up program and bell ringing!

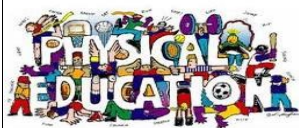
Have a restful, fun, and safe summer!

Crystal Sessoms-Wiggins
JV Forrestal Principal
Beacon City School District

In Physical Education,

In June we are working on Filed Day!

Stay active and keep moving!



General Music

Students in kindergarten will be listening to "The Hall of the Mountain King" by Griegg and continuing playing instruments to the steady beat or beat pictures. First graders will be learning about "Peter and The Wolf" by Prokofiev and performing "The Ballet of the Unhatched Chicks" by Moussorgsky. Second graders will be experiencing "The Carnival of the Animals" by Saint-Saens with creative movement and making animal sketches. Our third graders will be studying the music and famous composers of the Baroque period as well as learning about dynamic markings. Fourth graders have finished the Classical period in music and will be singing rounds with movement and focusing on the musical as a genre. Fifth graders are finishing their study of the Romantic period in music and will next be exploring the use of sound effects for short film clips in Quaver music.



Grade Level News

During the month of June in Pre-k we are preparing for our Moving Up ceremony. We are working hard on learning the songs to sing for our families. We are working on cutting with scissors. We are continuing to review our letters, numbers, and sounds.

We are heading into our summer with a blast and a BBQ! Can't wait for our Family Kindergarten Field BBQ on 6/16! Happy healthy Summer! See you in September!

First grade is wrapping up a fabulous year of learning! This month in Science we studying invertebrate animals. We are going to raise caterpillars and watch them change into butterflies. Is it a duck or rabbit? In Writer's Workshop we will be learning how to write opinion papers. After a year of learning Good Reader Habits, strategies for reading tricky words and reading different kinds of texts this year, our readers will spend the next few weeks enjoying their choice of books to read. In Social Studies will learn about American symbols & icons. We will also learn economics: distinguishing between our needs and wants by learning to be responsible with spending and saving money. Lastly, we will reflect on our year together and talk about what were our favorite things we did and learned. We might even make take a poll so we can practice our new math graphing skills! Have a super summer!

Second grade will end the year studying geometry, time, lifecycles and insects. Families are invited to see our artwork at the DIA Museum in Beacon on the weekend of June 10th. Invitations will be sent home. Our last trip of the year will be a picnic at Memorial Park on the 16th. Families are welcome to walk with us there or meet us there. The trip will be followed up with Ron's Ice Cream on the way back. We have had a wonderful year and are looking forward to the last few fun weeks!

We made it!! We can't believe we have officially entered the last month of the school year!! Our third graders have grown so much in the past year and we couldn't be more proud. We have a busy few weeks coming up. We're gearing up for our final Calico Ball performances and getting ready for our end of year celebration and field day. Lots of exciting things are happening in third grade this month. We hope everyone has a wonderful summer and we will see you all next year! :)

Fourth-grade had a great month! We went to Stonykill Farm, Mount Gulian, and Long Dock Park. We live in the best area!

The 5th grade is so excited about the end of the year! We have so many thing happening: field day, fun day, Sharpe and OUR moving up ceremony!

MAPS B - Happy June! We're looking forward to a month filled with fun activities and learning. This month we'll be studying farm animals and learning vocabulary around them. Have a great month!

MAPS C - Happy June!! This month, we will review math topics that we have covered this school year, focusing on computation. We will continue our study of countries around the world. The students will also complete their projects based on the country they picked. They are also learning about amphibians and reptiles. Have a wonderful summer!!!

IMPORTANT DATES

6/2 & 6/6	NYS Science Testing
6/7-6/9	Field Days
6/10	5th Grade Fun Day
6/13-6/15	5th Grade to SHARPE Reservation
6/16	Pre-K and Kinder Moving Up
6/22	5th Grade Moving Up

LIBRARY NEWS:

Book checkout has ended for the year. Please return all school books and materials ASAP. Check out the summer reading program at the public library!



HEALTH SERVICES MESSAGE

We did it! We survived a long stressful year. I appreciate all of your efforts and communications in helping to keep our students safe this year. ALL medication needs to be picked up by a parent/guardian. Please contact my office, 845-838-6900 ext 5610, to schedule a pickup time.

A reminder that all Pre-K, Kindergarten, 1-, 3- and 5- grade students are required to have physicals. Please send in copies if your student will be entering any of these grades.

May we all have a healthy and enjoyable summer!

Carol Struble, RN
JV Forrester School Nurse



NEWS FROM JVF PTSO

THANKS FOR SUPPORTING THE READATHON! Thank you to all students, families, and friends who participated in our 2022 Read-A-Thon! JVF raised a total of \$3,316 in pledges, translating to over \$2,600 that will go toward library media center improvements, future author visits, and more great programming next year! Special congrats to all our top reading winners — the top individual in each grade as well as the top three classes (Mrs. Tompkins', Ms. Ebeling's, and Ms. Duffy's classes)! Keep up the great reading this summer! Special thanks to our outgoing Literacy Chair Kristen Holt-Browning and Mrs. Coleman for their hard work spearheading this great initiative!

THANKS FOR COMING TO FAMILY FUN NIGHT! We had a fantastic literacy-themed Family Fun Night in May! Kids had the opportunity to write poems, listen to read-aloud stories, play theater games, and make a bookmark to take home — and everyone left with free books! Special thanks again to our Literacy Chair Kristen Holt-Browning for organizing, and to our awesome volunteers: Gwynne Watkins, Phoebe Zinman, Mrs. Coleman, Ms. Fisher, Mrs. Tompkins, Andrea Lenci-Cerchiara, Hannah Holdsworth, and student volunteers Alex and Joanna from the NJHS at Rombout!

5TH GRADE COMMITTEE SUCCESS Huge thanks to all who donated and/or bought raffle tickets to support our 5th Grade Falcons! The 5th Grade Committee raised over \$1700 that will go toward supporting awesome end-of-year activities! Enormous thanks to Margaux and Dave for spearheading, and to all the committee volunteers: Bekah, Jodi, Phoebe, Caitlin, Diana, Loni, and Christina. If you're parent or caregiver to a current 4th grader and interested to help with the 5th Grade Committee next year, please email jvfptso@gmail.com to let us know!

NEW PTSO BOARD ELECTED CONGRATS to our newly elected JVF PTSO Board Officers for 2022-2023! We are so thrilled to have such a stellar slate of awesome leaders steering the PTSO next year! Thank you to all who voted, either online or in-person!

Our new officers are:

President — Andrea Lenci-Cerchiara

Vice President — Jaime DiTata

Secretary — Steven Blumenthal

Farm to School Chair — Katie Sheehan-Lopez

Fundraising Co-Chairs — Karyn McKinnon and Cheryl Silvermail

Teacher Support Chair — Martin Courtney

Gardening Chair — Jessica Jelliffe

Here's to a fantastic new year ahead!

JUNE PTSO MEETING Our last meeting of the year will be held on Wednesday, June 15th at 7pm! We will decide that week if we will meet in person at a local restaurant, or virtually via Zoom. We will recap recent initiatives and look ahead to next year. We hope to see everyone there — please check www.jvfptso.com or our Facebook page for details on where to meet.

2021–2022 JVF PTSO Board Members:

Jean Huang — President

Jaime DiTata — Vice President

Hannah Holdsworth — Secretary

Andrea Lenci-Cerchiara — Treasurer

Kristen Holt-Browning — Literacy Chair

