

# James Franklin Smith PTA



Nov 9th, 2017

Dear JFS Families.



We are so excited to announce School Winners for **REFLECTIONS 2017-18**. 1 to 5 winners were picked per category per group. There were 3 age groups: Grades K-2 (Primary), 3-5 (Intermediate) and 6-8 (Advanced).

Congratulations to all winners! These entries have been sent to the Evergreen Council for 2nd round of judging.

Thank you to all participants who took the effort and time to showcase their talent. Your creativity and the power to express your thoughts amazed us, one and all. JFS PTA would like to extend a special Thank You to parents **Smruti Pathak** and **Sonali** 

Baheti who chaired this program. With their help, our children were able to benefit from this wonderful platform of arts.

Literature	Primary: Kaitlyn Ly Intermediate: Nathan Ly, Saket Pathak, Archita Sathapathy
Visual Arts	Primary: Anousha Baheti, Chloe Fridgen, Jiya Patel, Dhyana Desai, Saumit Pathak Intermediate: Roshni Mohapatra, Ahaana Baheti, Vedika Baldua, Saket Pathak
Photography	Primary: Krish Raj Intermediate: Donovan Ly, Saket Pathak, Nathan Ly
Dance Choreography	Intermediate: Ahaana Baheti, Vedika Baldua
Music Composition	Intermediate: Donovan Ly, Nathan Ly
Film Production	Intermediate: Ritwin Narra

### **Upcoming Holidays/ Events**

Reminder for all PTA Members: **General Association Meeting** to amend this year's budget and planned events.

Please swing by the MPR on **Thursday 11/16** for this brief session from **8:10 - 8:20 AM**.

Nov 15th: No School - Conference Day Nov 20th - 24th: Thanksgiving Holiday Dec 14th - 15th: Peter Pan Jr (Drama)

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## MATH KANGAROO at JFS

JFS PTA is pleased to announce that Math Kangaroo, the world's largest math competition for school students, is coming to JFS. We hope that you will share our excitement by encouraging students to register and participate. It is the annual 1-day competition that takes place on the third Thursday in March (March 15th, 2018). Students from Grades 1-6 are eligible to take the Test. No after school classes will be conducted.

<u>Test Details:</u> Test will be conducted in the MPR, after school on **March 15th, 2018 Grades 1 - 3** at **1:00 PM** 

Grades 4 - 6 at 2:30 PM

The Math Kangaroo Competition is a 75 minute multiple choice Test. There will be 24 test questions for Grades 1 - 4 and 30 test questions for Grades 5 - 6. Each participant receives a competition booklet, an answer form, scratch paper and pencil on the Test day.

**Registration:** If you are interested, please register online at http://jfspta.org.

Registration will open on **Tuesday, November 14th** at **10:00 AM**. Participation fee is \$20.00. Registrations are on a first come first serve basis. Seats are limited to 20 spots per grade. If you have been accepted to the Test, you will receive a confirmation email. Then you will have 3 days to complete your registration. In addition, we will create a wait list in anticipation of incomplete registrations. Thank You in advance for your participation. If you have any questions about the program, please contact **Nanitha Yamani** at **ynanitha@gmail.com**.

### PeaceMakers Are Back!

What is a PeaceMaker? It is a 3rd through 6th grade student representative that helps to resolve problems on the playground. PeaceMakers are trained in conflict management and they help other students talk and listen to one another and come to an agreement on how to resolve issues. They are a great assets to our school. The PeaceMaker goals support our school and help to create a "Big Hearted Bully-Free" JFS where every child is free to be themselves and has the right to a safe environment.



Thank you, Principal Ortega



Q: Who helps the little pumpkins cross the road to school?

A: The Crossing Gourd

Stay warm! Have a fun weekend!