



Sep 22nd, 2017

Dear JFS Families,

REFLECTIONS is a program run by National PTA engaging students in arts education activities each year by encouraging them to explore creative ideas for fun and recognition. JFS PTA has been successfully implementing the program for many years.



Last year, JFS had 5 students who won the competition in their respective categories at the District Council level. Moving upward, we had 2 entries going to State level. This was the highest number of winning entries from a single school.

URGENT: We are looking for a volunteer to chair Reflections this year. You don't need special skills to run this program. Just the willingness to provide a creative platform to our students. **If we do not find a chair, we will have to drop the program entirely.** For those interested, please contact deepabathala@gmail.com at the earliest possible.

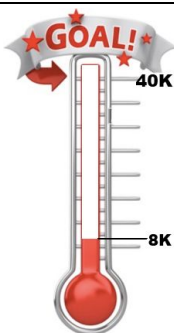


LAST DAY to register for PETER PAN Jr is TODAY Sep 22nd, 2017

If you would like to join other JFS students in the production of Peter Pan Jr, please sign up at:

<http://www.startingarts.com/programs/schools-by-district/james-franklin-smith-elementary/>

Thank you to those that have registered. Rehearsals start **Monday, September 25th**. Everyone registered is in the show, but auditions will be held to determine who will play which role(s). All refunds must be requested prior to the first day, September 25th. No refund will be given once your child participates in this program. Let's have fun together!



JFS PTA Pledge Drive - Help Us Raise Funds to Help Our School

Join in our biggest fundraiser of the year! JFS PTA has already given \$14,000 towards classroom supplies. Thank you to those who have already donated! In addition to all the programs and events we support, teachers have requested an updated **Audio-Visual Equipment** system for the Multi-purpose room (MPR). Our goal is to raise **\$40k**. So far we have reached 8k. Please donate what you can and help us reach our goal! Check out the **Online Auction Items** going live next Friday 9/29. More information is included in Pledge Drive packets which will be sent home with your child.

We appreciate your continued support.

TOGETHER WE CAN!

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😊😊😊 We heartily welcome our new teachers 😊😊😊

Mrs. Razdan is a long term substitute teacher for Mrs. Lisa Sanchez in 6th grade. She is highly educated with a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Science as well as single and multiple subject credentials. She has taught all ages from K-8th grade. She is a 20 year Bay Area resident and currently lives in the Silver Creek area. She enjoys hiking, reading a good book and spending time with family and friends. Thank you for creating a welcoming environment for our students Mrs. Razdan!

Mrs. Matharu is our new 2nd grade teacher. She has an AA in Recreation Therapy and a Bachelor's degree in Child Development along with a multiple subject teaching credential. She is in her 4th year of teaching and wants the students to make connections from the classroom to the outside world. This will make their learning more meaningful. Her extended family lives in Canada but she lives here with her husband and two children ages 5 and 6. Thank you for joining the JFS team Mrs. Matharu!



Upcoming Events

Tuesday, 09/26 Picture Day - Dress your best and SMILE!

Thursday, 09/28 Staff Inservice Day - NO SCHOOL!



Wednesday, 10/04 International Walk To School

Day - Stay fit and make our planet a better place by walking to school. Please make sure that your child is accompanied by an adult.

Friday, 10/06 MOVIE Night - Your favorite movie with family + popcorn + food truck = Unlimited fun! Watch out for a separate flyer for details.

Math Olympiad Update

In-class registrations for Math Olympiad is FULL. There are still some slots left for the Test-Only section.

If you are interested, please go to <http://jfspta.org/> to sign up. Registrations will be open through Friday, 09/29 or until all slots are filled.

For any questions, please contact Nanitha at ynanitha@gmail.com

Have a super duper weekend!