



From the Principal

John Stanford International School

September 16, 2009

Dear JSIS Families,

Curriculum Night is on Wednesday, September 30th, from 6:15 – 8:00. This is the evening where we encourage all parents and guardians to come in *without* your kids to meet your child's teachers, learn about the curriculum and events of the year and discover ways in which you can participate in your child's education.

The schedule for Curriculum Night is as follows:

1:30	Early Dismissal from School
6:15 – 6:45	Session 1: Visit your child's MORNING class
6:50 – 7:20	Session 2: Visit your child's AFTERNOON class
7:25 – 8:00	Options: Repeat of sessions 1 or 2 if you have more than one child -or- visit one of the specialists or learning support teachers –
	- Katie Raschko (Music) in 320
	- Joanne Uhlenkott (PE) in the gym
	- Pat Dailey (Special Ed) in 332B
	- Mattie Shaw (Reading and Math Support) in 332A
	- Kathleen Gillespie (Library) in the library
	- Dan Turner (Counselor) in 316
	- Margreet de Leeuw (Math Specialist) in 316
	- Nicole Titus (English Language Support) in 403
6:15 – 7:25	BOC families will meet in the Library

I hope that you all will be able to take advantage of this great opportunity to learn more about your child's education here at JSIS.

~ Mr. Aramaki / Señor Aramaki / あらまきせんせい

Announcements and Reminders:

- **The Move-a-Thon (PTA activity & fundraiser)** – The JSIS Move-a-Thon is coming on Saturday, October 17 from 10 am to 2 pm. Mark your calendars now for the first big fun event of the school year, and get ready to help support JSIS PTA scholarships and other vital programs. Complete info and pledge sheets are available at jsisweb.com.
- **Advanced Learning Packets Now Available** – If you are interested in having your child tested for advanced learning, application packets are now available in the main office. Parent and teacher forms are due October 8th. Please give teachers the recommendation forms to fill out at least one week before the due date.
- **New Fall/Winter/Spring Test** – Seattle Public Schools has adopted a new testing system for grades K-5 to track student progress and to better inform instruction in math and reading. Please see reverse side of this newsletter for details.

Calendar of Events:

Monday, Sept. 21	Picture Day
Thurs., Sept. 24	7:00 – 8:30 Hamilton Int'l School Open House
Wed., Sept. 30	2-Hour Early Dismissal – School dismisses at 1:30 CURRICULUM NIGHT (see schedule above)
October 6 – 8	5 th Grade Camp
October 9	No School – Teacher Professional Development Day