



From the Principal

John Stanford International School

May 12, 2010

Dear JSIS Families,

Washington State's Standardized Test, Measures of Academic Progress (MSP), is happening next week! Replacing the WASL, the MSP is given to all 3rd through 5th grade students and covers the areas of reading, math, writing and science. During MSP testing next week, here are a few things that will help your child do his/her best:

1. Make sure your child gets plenty of sleep.
2. Make sure your child eats a healthy breakfast in the morning.
3. Testing starts first thing in the morning so please get your child to school on time.
4. Be positive! Be your child's cheerleader! Encourage your child to do his/her best!

The following is the MSP schedule:

Monday, May 17	Writing MSP #1 – 4 th Grade only
Tuesday, May 18	Math MSP – 3 rd – 5 th Grades
Wednesday, May 19	No testing – Early Release Day
Thursday, May 20	Reading MSP – 3 rd – 5 th Grades
Friday, May 21	Writing MSP #2 – 4 th Grade only Science MSP – 5 th Grade only

Thank you for your support of our students and school during this important testing window. Also, check out these two compassion sightings! Students are witnessing compassion all over the school. Don't forget that your child can drop off compassion sightings in our fishbowl in the main office all month!

*Compassion Sighting:
"We were floating our boats in class. One girl didn't have one so a boy gave one to her!"*

*Compassion Sighting:
"A group of kindergarteners helped a friend who fell down and got hurt. One went to get an adult!"*

Sincerely,

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

Announcements and Reminders:

- Sign up for summer Language Camp – (we will take forms for incoming kindergarten students after language assignments have been determined) – forms to sign up current students are at www.jsisweb.com or in the office.

- Congratulations K, 2nd, and 4th, Ribbon Dancers, and Room 328 for a great job at the International Arts Celebration at Hamilton last week. It was a wonderful performance!

Calendar of Events:	
May 17-21	MSP testing (MSP replaces WASL)
May 19	1:30 Early Dismissal
May 21	6:30-8:00 PM Japan trip orientation
May 28	All-school play – Treasure Island
May 31	No school – Memorial Day holiday
June 2	8:45 Volunteer Appreciation
June 3 and 4	4:00 PM Kindergarten language fluency testing
June 9	7:00 PM 5 th grade play
June 11	7:00 PM Choir Concert
June 16	BBQ Lunch and Field Day
June 22	Awards Assembly, 5 th grade celebration - Last student day – 2:30 dismissal
June 24- July 2	9:00 – 12:00 Summer Language Camp – Sign-up forms at www.jsisweb.com or at school.