



# The Jones Journal

*March 20, 2025*



Nathan, Sawyer Kate, and Crew use a 12-sided die to play Candyland.

## THE PAST TWO WEEKS WE...

...have started reading several versions of different fairy tales. We continued our conversation about reading books with the same/similar title that have differences in the story. We discussed four versions of THE LITTLE RED HEN and filled out a venn diagram comparing two.

## FYI

We are going to the Gogue Performing Arts Center to see *Catapult* Monday, April 7. I need everyone to fill out and return the field trip permission form in this week's Take Home Folder. The form and payment are due by April 2. Please pay the \$5 fee online at [www.myschoolbucks.com/](http://www.myschoolbucks.com/) or scan the



If you ordered a class group picture, it will be in your child's Take Home Folder this afternoon. For anyone who missed purchasing one, I have several extra copies. Please email me if you would like one.

A very sincere "thank you" goes out to everyone who helped make Teacher Appreciation Week so special! All the flowers, classroom supplies, sweet notes, gift cards, and pictures brightened each day! I had the most amazing snacks, breakfasts, lunches, and drinks! THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!

## NEEDED

What a busy time of year it is! Field trips, spring sports, time change, dance recitals, end of year programs, etc. Even with such busy spring schedules, experts at the National Sleep Foundation recommend **9-11 hours of sleep** per night for school age children (6-12 years old!)

## PARENT READING

This week's reading is titled *Stop letting your kids stare at iPads in restaurants, science says*. A few years ago, I was catching up on some national news and ran across this article. I couldn't resist sharing with parents. There are many benefits to meaningful conversations during family dinners and a host of resources to help facilitate those conversations. Keeping a jar full of kid-friendly, open-ended questions on the table helps when the only thing that comes to mind is "What did you do today?" Think about questions that are...pure curiosity, whimsical that introduces a new perspective, prompt your child to talk about their success, address what's missing, inviting other family members into the conversation, etc. The article is attached to the same email as this newsletter. It can also be found on our classroom's blog ([mrssjonesclass.blogspot.com](http://mrssjonesclass.blogspot.com)) on the right side under *Suggested Parent Readings*.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- March 21 – February journals go home
- April 2 – Catapult form & money due
- 3 – Checklists go home
- 4 – Dad's League @ 7:00
- 7 – Gogue Field Trip (Catapult)

## ONE LAST THING

I usually have something for those children that forget snack or prefer 'school' snack. I typically buy the cheap bag of animal crackers and they seem to like it just as well as the more expensive stuff. If you are at the grocery store sometime, we would appreciate a bag and/or container. Thank you so much!

Hope everyone has a wonderful weekend!!! -S. Jones

