



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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DJM Family Fun Night - Join us at 6:00 pm on Friday, January 22nd, for an enjoyable evening with your family while supporting school spirit. All families are invited to have dinner at 6:30 pm. An action packed magic show by Pitman Magic to follow from 7:15 to 8:00 pm. This event is free. Bring five canned goods to receive a raffle ticket and you could win four movie passes. Please remember that parents must stay with children. No drop-offs.

DJM First Annual Spell-A-Thon - We are so excited to introduce our first annual DJM Spell-A-Thon. A fundraiser where all the kids can participate and together, we can help support various functions the DJM PTA provides (cultural events, Family Fun Night, and Country Fair for example). Each child will be given a spelling test based on their continued word study lists and there will be a separate spelling list for each grade.

January 22: Packets will be sent home with detailed instructions and spelling lists.

February 5: D.J. MONTAGUE SPELL-A-THON

February 12: Donations and sponsor money due

There will be various prizes for the students and all children will receive a participation certificate. If you are interested in lending a helping hand, please contact Heather Cline, clineh@wjcc.k12.va.us, or Suzie Yeats, 206-1779, suzanneyeats@cox.net.

We look forward to a successful f-u-n-d-r-a-i-s-e-r!!!!

Fourth Grade News:

January 14:	Yorktown Field Trip
January 19 – 22:	Fire Safety Week
February 22 – 25:	Learn to Swim Program

Dominoe's Spirit Night Results are in! - On Wednesday December 16th, there was a D.J. Montague Spirit Event with Domino's Pizza. The school raised \$108.40! Thank you to all in making this event so successful!

DJM Science, Math and Technology Night - This event will be Thursday **February 11th** at 5-7pm for the entire family. Please come and participate in hands on math and science activities and investigate the science experiments our students have conducted at DJM.

PTA Hospitality Committee - Many thanks to all the parents from the Hospitality Committee who generously donated food for the DJM Staff Christmas Brunch on 12/17. The teachers and staff really appreciate it!

January PTA Meeting - Look for a new day and time for our PTA meetings. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, January 20th at 7pm in the Library. We hope that the meeting time will bring out more members to get informed and involved. Thank you!

DJM Spirit Wear and Merchandise - DJ Montague Spirit Wear and Merchandise is still available for purchase. We have Gray and White Tee Shirts and Sweat Shirts available in both Adult and Children sizes, Adult Polos, Gray Long Sleeve Tees, and DJ Mustang Magnets. You can pick up your order form today in the main office on the PTA table, or you can contact Stacie Gillen at 258-8547 with questions and orders. All orders can be delivered right to your child's classroom and taken home. Thank You to all who have ordered for supporting your Children and the DJ Montague PTA.



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DJM 4th Grade Students are a Part of History -

Several Fourth Grade Students became book critics as acting members of DJM's Beacon of Freedom Book Award Committee. The students, Kennedy Becke, Katelyn Chaney, Rachael Cramer, Bailee Linsey, Tiana Lyttle, Duke Morissett, and Josh Patterson, each played a very important role in The Beacon of Freedom Award process through their dedication and extra effort in reading the selected books this year. The Beacon of Freedom Award announcement program is Wednesday, January 13th, from 4:45 to 6:00 at the Williamsburg Regional Library in the Youth Services Program Room. D.J. Montague, along with other area elementary schools, participates in the program. The books nominated this year were:

Remember Valley Forge

Allen, Thomas B. Junior Non Fiction

Desperate Journey

Murphy, Jim Junior Fiction

Lincoln Through the Lens

Sandler, Martin W. Junior Biography

Two Miserable Presidents

Sheinkin, Steve Junior Non Fiction

Farmer George Plants a Nation

Thomas, Peggy Junior Biography

You can find them in the DJM library. Check them out!

Mustang Excellence (M.E.) - The Mustang Spirit awards for the 2nd quarter will be held:

The 3rd grade ceremony will be held on Wednesday, February 10th at 2:00 pm.

The 4th and 5th grade ceremonies will be on Friday, February 12th at 1:30 pm and 2:15 pm, respectively.

Please plan now to come and celebrate the achievements of our great students.

Communication Through EDLINE - DJM

Administration is working to increase communication through Edline, an online communication tool used throughout WJCC. If you do not have an EDLINE user name and password, please contact your child's teacher as they have that information on hand. We encourage you to check out EDLINE by going to the DJ Homepage, <http://www.wjcc.k12.va.us/djm/>, and in the upper left corner is the link to EDLINE. Thank you!

FYI - This is a nice web site for you to find ratings and reviews on thousands of movies, television shows, songs, books, video games and other web sites according to developmental criteria recommendations from some of the nation's leading authorities. <http://www.commonsemmedia.org>.

DJM Annual Country Fair: The Annual Country Fair is scheduled for Friday, April 30th from 3:30 – 6:30 pm. Fair guests purchase tickets for minimal cost and have an opportunity to win great prizes! In turn, the money raised at the Country Fair is then used for important programs, activities and supplies for DJ Montague Elementary students.

This year we hope to make the Raffle even more successful with more prizes, and we'd like to ask for your help. **Please donate your time!** We are in need of volunteers to request items for the Raffle. From gift cards/certificates to electronics to passes/tickets to area attractions, we need your skills to help acquire items for the fair. **Please donate an item for the Raffle!** If you can donate a gift card/certificate, a raffle item (from bikes to Ipods to books to you name it!), or a service (such as spa, golf, etc), we welcome your help. If you are a parent who has a special service or skill (teach a sport, craft, professional service) and are willing to donate a lesson or two, please do.

Please fill out the form below, indicating how you wish to help. You will then be contacted by Deborah Huckins, Country Fair Chair or Lisa Lucas, Raffle Chair. You may also email Lisa directly at LML39@yahoo.com.

DJ Montague Donation Form

Name: _____

Email/Phone Number: _____

Raffle Item/Donation Description: _____

YES or NO, I am interested in volunteering my time to seek out donations.

Please return to the PTA box in the school office. Thank you for your continued support!