



# Thomas Jefferson Elementary School

November 12, 2013  
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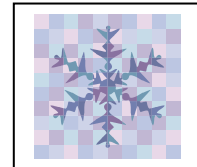
## November Calendar

- Wednesday, November 13 4-7 p.m. Parent/Teacher Conferences and Book Fair
- Thursday, November 14 **Dismissal at Noon**
- Thursday, November 14 1-7 p.m. Parent/Teacher Conferences and Book Fair
- Week of November 18 5<sup>th</sup> Graders to YMCA Camp Storer
- Thursday, November 21 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip to Garden City Discovery Center
- Tuesday, November 26 2:00 p.m. Celebration Assembly
  
- Wednesday, November 27 **No School**
- Thursday, November 28 **Thanksgiving Day, No School**
- Friday, November 29 **No School**



## **For those of you who plan ahead.....**

- Thursday, December 12 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip to Garden City Discovery Center
- Wednesday, December 18 9:00 a.m. Coffee with the Principal
- Friday, December 20 10:00 a.m. Celebration Assembly
- Monday, December 23 –  
Friday, January 3 **No School – Winter Break**



Do we have your correct phone numbers? If you are not receiving the automated phone calls at 6:00 every Sunday, we do not have a good phone number set up for you in the system. If you are not getting the calls, please send a note to the front office with the best number to reach you in case of an emergency and any other numbers you would like us to keep on file for your students.

### Daily Arrival

Students must be in their seats and ready to work by 8:42 each morning or they will be marked tardy. (3 tardies equal one day absent) The first bell rings at 8:37 a.m. but students may be dropped off to go to the playground any time after 8:20 each day. When the weather requires it, students will be allowed to enter the building at 8:20 a.m. instead of going to the playground.

### Daily Dismissal

Students are dismissed at 3:36 p.m. every day. Students picked up earlier than that will be marked tardy for the afternoon. (Again, 3 tardies equal 1 day absent)

### Traffic Around the School

Please remember that there is no parking in front of the school on the school side of the street. That area is for pick up and drop off only. If you park there, you hold up the whole process of arrival and dismissal. You may park across from the school either in front along Hemingway or along the side on Westfield. Also please note that parking in the intersections is illegal. This can cause traffic tie ups or may impede vision for other drivers or students walking through that intersection. You may be ticketed or towed at your own expense. Please be aware of and courteous to other drivers and our students. We must protect the safety of all.



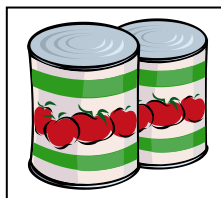
### Parking or Traffic Issues

If you observe someone who is driving recklessly, playing inappropriate or loud music, or parking in a no-parking zone, please do not confront the other driver. Instead, record the make, model and color of the vehicle along with the license plate number and either report it to the front office or call the Redford Township Police Department directly. We must all work together to keep our school and our neighborhood safe.



Thank you to everyone who donated (or attempted to donate) blood at our Red Cross Blood Drive last week. And a special Thank You to Mrs. VanAartsen for coordinating this important event for us.

Thank you to those who popped popcorn all day this past Friday. That wonderful smell filled our halls and the students and staff enjoyed every bite. Thank you to Mrs. Harris and William, Mrs. Donaldson, Mrs. Bolton, Mrs. Dillon, Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Schalk and Mrs. McIntyre



We are going to have a food drive in conjunction with the Redford Township Goodfellows' Association. Drop off your donations of **canned or other non-perishable food** in the boxes in the front lobby any time before Friday, December 6. The Goodfellows are also collecting **new mittens, scarves and new toys**. Your generosity will help struggling families in our own community. Last year they helped over 500 children thanks to these collection drives in our schools.

The fall book fair will be open during conferences this week. Stop in and pick up some great books. The hours are from 4 -7 p.m. on Wednesday, November 13 and from 1 - 7 p.m. on Thursday, November 14. Remember: Books make great gifts!!



The entire staff of Jefferson Elementary would like to wish you and your family a very safe and **Happy Thanksgiving!**

*Mission Statement: Working together to build tomorrow's leaders!*