

# Juniper Jargon

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### Important Reminders This Month:

- Sept. 8: Staff return to school!
- Sept 9: Students return to class!
- Sept. 16: JH Parent Meeting
- Sept. 23: Picnic on the Playground
- Sept. 23: Parent Advisory Council AGM, 7:00pm
- Sept. 25: Professional Development Day, no school for students

### Important Dates for October:

- Oct. 10: Juniper's 50th Celebration
- Oct. 16: Teacher PD, no school for students in the p.m.
- Oct. 22: SAG
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- Oct. 28: School Pictures



## Tidbits...

### WELCOME BACK!!

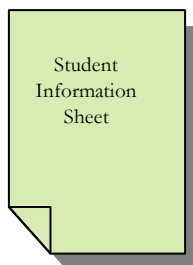
The staff is excited to welcome returning students and those students who are new to the Juniper community! We hope you have had a great summer and return ready to learn.

Juniper has many changes in staff this year, including a new principal, vice-principal, many new teachers and educational assistants. We are lucky that we also have many returning staff to help us learn the ropes! We are all looking forward to a great 2009/2010 school year.

This is an exciting year for Juniper school as it marks our 50th Birthday! We have planned a special celebration for October. Other events for the fall include Picnic-on-the-Playground and a JH Parent Meeting. We hope to see you there!

### Student Information Sheet

Student Information Sheets will be sent home with each student on Thursday, September 10. Please look for a pink sheet from your child(ren)! Carefully read over the information to ensure that it is correct. Make any necessary corrections and return to your child(ren)'s homeroom teacher. ALL FORMS need to come back to the school, even if they are mistake-free. Please return your form by Wednesday, September 16.



### Parking Lot

We'd like to remind the Juniper Community that the parking lot is for staff and L3 students ONLY! When dropping your children off for school, please do so at the adjoining streets. Parents dropping students off at the parking lot sidewalk are asked to not interfere with the crosswalks. Please remind children to use the sidewalks, and not cut through the parking lot. Your children's safety is important to us!

### Late Students

If you know your child is going to be late because of an appointment please call the office to inform Mrs. Meuse. Late students need to report to Mrs. Meuse when they arrive so she can mark them as present.

### Appropriate Dress

Please ensure your children are dressed for the weather conditions. Students remain outside until the bell and during their 15 minute recess breaks unless it is raining. ALL students need clean indoor shoes for safety purposes. If the fire bell rings, all students go outside regardless of footwear or weather conditions.

### Student Absences

Please inform the office if your child(ren) are going to be absent for any reason. Mrs. Meuse calls the home of students who are not at school to ensure they are safe, especially if the weather is cold. You can save her time by calling 677-6242.

## More Tidbits



### Homework

#### Hotline:

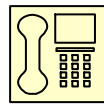
Call 677-6242 after 4:00pm to hear the day's assignments for junior high students.

### From the Secretary...

The office phone is for

#### EMERGENCIES ONLY.

Please arrange play-dates, pick-ups and cab rides from home. Students will not be allowed to use the phone in the office if they do not have a phone pass from their teacher. Thank you for your cooperation.



### JH Parent Meeting

Join the JH teachers and administration on September 16 at 6:30. You will meet your student's teachers, learn about programming and extra-curricular activities specific to junior high, discuss how school changes for students entering JH, and have the opportunity to ask questions regarding pressing concerns. We encourage all parents and students to attend as this is a valuable information evening. See you there!

### Juniper's 50th Anniversary

Juniper School is 50 years old! We have planned celebration activities for October 9 and 10. On Friday we will have an assembly during the school day. On Saturday we have an open house planned from 1-6pm. We invite all current and former Juniper students and staff to attend! We will have more information regarding planned activities soon. If you have any pictures from your time at Juniper School, please email them to:

[juniper50th@hotmail.com](mailto:juniper50th@hotmail.com)

*Reminder to parents and community members that our next Parent Advisory Council Meeting is June 11 at 6:30pm. Hope to see you there!*

### Picnic-on-the-Playground

On September 23 from 11:30-1:00 we will be hosting a picnic for students and parents. We invite parents and students to enjoy hotdogs, hamburgers, and other treats. We will start selling tickets to students in the morning and continue to sell them throughout lunch. Tickets are \$1.00 each and will be used to purchase food and drinks during the picnic. Come visit with other

parents, staff and students! We hope to see you there...



### Rachel's Challenge

Rachel's Club will be continuing in the 2009/2010 school year. Students, listen during the announcements for the first general meeting. We encourage all interested students from grades 5-8 to attend the first meeting to find out what it's all about! We are excited to see last year's members, as well as some new faces, at our first meeting.

### Parent Council

Please join us for our Parent Council meeting on Wednesday, September 23 at 7:00pm in the Juniper Library. This is our Annual General Meeting, when we vote in our executive committee. Parent Council is a great opportunity for parents and guardians to volunteer in the school and support the Juniper School community. We meet on a monthly basis. To make it easier for

parents to attend we provide free child care. We will also have snacks!

We hope to see you there!

### Playground Issues

Please remember that our playground is not supervised before school, during lunch hour and after 3:30. Students are welcome to use the playground outside of school hours; however, children who are consistently involved in behaviour issues will be asked to remain off school-grounds unless they are supervised.

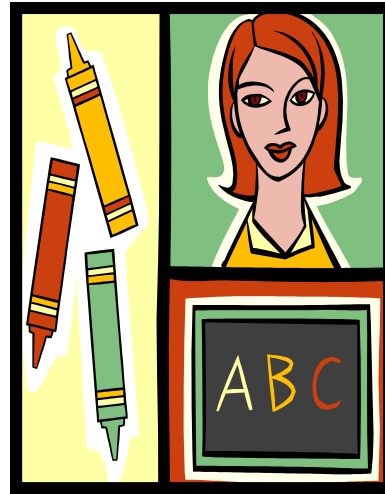
*Please ensure the school has your current contact information. We need to be able to reach a parent or guardian in case of emergencies. We need a number where an adult can be reached during school hours.*

# 2009/2010 Juniper Staff List

Principal: Ms. Thompson  
Vice Principal: Ms. Granger  
Secretary: Mrs. Meuse

Resource: Mrs. Dale  
Mrs. Acharya  
L3: Mrs. Gibb  
MSR/Student: Mrs. Stewart  
Support  
Counsellor: Mrs. Alexander  
Reading : Mrs. Ricketts  
Recovery  
Phys. Ed.: Mr. Williams  
Phys. Ed/: Mrs. Gallant  
Cree  
Music: Ms. Perrin  
Library: Mrs. Hykawy

K: Miss Harvey  
Gr. 1: Mrs. MacMillan  
Gr. 1/2: Mrs. Gillis  
Gr. 2: Ms. Flett  
Gr. 3: Mrs. French  
Mrs. Pegus  
Gr. 4: Mrs. Gallant  
Mr. Hassanien  
Mrs. Ryan  
Gr. 5: Mrs. Clarke  
Mrs. Monias  
Gr. 6: Mrs. Horning  
Mrs. McLellan  
Gr. 7: Ms. Grindey  
Mr. Wiseman  
Gr. 8: Mr. Fancy  
Mr. Whitty



## Pandemic Information

In response to the declaration of a Pandemic Influenza occurrence by the World Health Organization (WHO), the School District of Mystery Lake feels it is appropriate to advise parents that schools within the District will continue to operate as normally as possible in order to lessen the potential disruption to society at large.

Schools will remind students and staff to take precautions to improve general hygiene in order to prevent becoming infected and from spreading the infection to others. At the same time we would also advise parents to take steps at home to limit the spreading of infection.

These include:

- Washing your hands often and teaching others to do the same.
- Keeping your hands away from your mouth, nose and eyes.
- Not sharing eating utensils or drinks, or school supplies such as pencils, rulers or musical instruments with mouthpieces.
- Covering your cough or coughing into your elbow.
- Staying home if you are sick.

Parents can access further information online by consulting the document entitled "Preparing for Pandemic Influenza in Manitoba." This document can be found online at: [www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cmoh/docs/ppim/pdf](http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cmoh/docs/ppim/pdf)

*Juniper is a nut aware school. Please ensure that your child(ren) are bringing lunches and snacks that do not have nuts to keep our students safe. Thanks for your cooperation!*

