

PEEK OF THE WEEK

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JOHN READ MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

▶ Next PTA Meeting: Thursday, December 5th at 6:30pm

Are homework haggles and study struggles wreaking havoc in your home? Join us for 1-hour PTA sponsored presentation in the Learning Commons, following our brief PTA meeting. Offered free to JRMS parents just in time for the holidays, this **7 Ways to Support Your Student's Study Habits** workshop will be presented by **S4, Successful Study Skills 4 Students**, with tools to implement immediately. Details and registration link coming soon.

▶ Redding Artisan Fair: Saturday, December 7th 10am-4pm

Join us for crafts, baked goods, live music, and more! Come holiday shop in the JRMS Gym and support local artisans and the JRMS PTA. Items include: accessories, jewelry, candles, leather goods, toys, ornaments, soaps, food, art, wall decor, and more! For more info go to: [ArtisanFairOnFacebook](#) or [JRMSPTA.org](#). Please consider helping us with this event by signing up for a time slot at: [ArtisanFairSignUp](#).



▶ PTA Reflections Program 2019-20 Theme "Look Within" Submission Deadline: December 13th

Do you want to give your child a chance to win a \$25 Amazon gift card and state awards? All students are encouraged to explore their talents by submitting original works in the areas of literature, music, photography, film, dance, and visual arts. Participating students will be entered in a weekly PTA raffle to win gift cards! JRMS

has had numerous state winners, and four CT students won National recognition! To learn more and for rules visit: [ReflectionsContestRules](#) or contact Lisa Cederbaum at icederbaum@gmail.com. For more information go to [JRMSPTA.org](#).

▶ PTA Staff Appreciation Lunch: Tuesday, December 17th

Please keep an eye out for our holiday luncheon signup coming soon! **New this year, we need raffle items that our fantastic staff can win!** We would like to make a number of different baskets and need several things, so visit: [JRMSPTA.org](#) for more information, or contact Laurie at lauriejandura@optonline.net with questions!

▶ The Giving Bean Fundraiser: Purchase Coffees & Teas

The Giving Bean fundraiser is still ongoing. Don't miss out on the amazing products. Click here to start your order of coffee, tea and more: [GivingBeanGift](#). All orders are shipped to your home with a small shipping fee. So easy!

▶ JRMS Yearbooks: Order Yours Today at: www.jostens.com

REDDING COMMUNITY NOTES

The ER9 Special Education Committee Sip n' Chat Wednesday, December 4th, 6:30pm at The Redding Roadhouse

Together with the ER9 District, we support students and families who rely on additional assistance from our schools, and work collaboratively with the special education departments fostering partnerships in our children's education, and as a resource for families of the community who seek a better understanding of special education/needs. For more information contact, Danielle Garavito: dgaravito@optonline.net or Iris Hotakov: ihotakov@gmail.com.

Astrology and Tarot Workshop (Grades 5-12)

Friday, December 13, 4:00pm-5:00pm

Are you interested in mystical arts (readings, tarot cards and astrology)? If so, please join **Alexa Owen**, yoga teacher and contemplative mentor, for an interactive workshop that will explore spiritual practices. Participants will receive tarot readings. Students may take Bus #24 to the library from JRMS but must provide a permission note to the JRMS main office. Refreshments will be served. To sign up or for more information, visit www.marktwainlibrary.org, or call 203.938.2545.

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Check out our website at JRMSPTA.org for more information. Follow us on **FACEBOOK**.

JRMS PTA INFORMATION

PTA MEMBERSHIP

Join Today, We Need You!

We have lots of exciting plans for this upcoming school year and we need your support. Join to enjoy the benefits of membership and access to the online directory. Click on the link to register: jrmspta.membershiptoolkit.com.

NEXT PTA MEETING

Thursday, January 2, 2020

For more information about our next monthly PTA meeting, please view the PTA website the week of the meeting: jrmspta.org.

JRMS PTA FUNDRAISING

SHOP AMAZON SMILE

Our PTA is a Participating Charity

JRMS will receive a percentage of everything you buy at AmazonSmile. Support JRMS by shopping: smile.amazon.com. Select "PTSA Connecticut Inc John Read Middle School" as your charitable organization. Start shopping today!

FIELD GOODS

Fresh Veggies Delivered!

Buy seasonal produce from small local farms and support the PTA! It's flexible; put a subscription on hold and restart anytime! See details at: jrmspta.org or contact Lenore Pranzo: Lcpranzo@hotmail.com.

MABEL'S LABELS

Stay Organized This School Year

Order personalized labels and tags for school supplies that stay put through the dishwasher and laundry! Visit: mabelslabels.com and choose John Read Middle School (Redding) and proceeds go to our PTA!

JRMS COOKBOOK

Limited Number Still Available!

Complete online order form and deliver a \$10 check or cash to JRMS (\$8 for additional books). Visit: jrmsCookbookOrderForms

JRMS FUNDRAISING

SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT

Education Express Points @ Big Y

Register your Big Y card to benefit John Read Middle School. Use your card and JRMS earns points towards an award voucher for supplies and equipment. For more information, visit: www.bigy.com/rs/educationexpress

FIELD TRIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS

A+ School Rewards @ Stop & Shop

Stop & Shop helps fund JRMS field trips and scholarships. Register your Stop & Shop card to benefit JRMS. For more information, visit: www.stopandshop.com/school-rewards

Peek of the Week Submissions

Please email all submissions for the **Peek of the Week** to ihotakov@gmail.com by 5:00pm every other Friday!