

PEEK OF THE WEEK

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Bi Weekly News & Notes from the JRMS PTA / Issue No. 9

JOHN READ MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

▶ Next PTA Meeting: Friday, February 7th at 9:15am

Join us in the JRMS Community Room with ER9 Superintendent, Dr. Tom McMorrان. He will discuss the school budget and give us an update on the JRMS principal search.

▶ Winter Socials Are This Week : January 29th, 30th & 31st

The Winter Socials are happening this week! Please be on the lookout for permission slips.

- **5TH GRADE:** Wednesday, January 29th from 3:40pm-5:30pm
- **6TH GRADE:** Thursday, January 30th from 3:40pm-5:30pm
- **7TH GRADE:** Friday, January 31st from 3:40pm-5:30pm

▶ JRMS 8th Grade Yearbook Ad Deadline: January 31, 2020

Order Your Yearbook TODAY! For more Yearbook information, visit: www.jostens.com

▶ March PTA Meeting: Thursday, March 5th at 9:15am

Join our special guest, Geshe Dhargey, from the Tibetan Buddhist Center in Redding as we have a conversation about compassion. Compassion lies at the heart of Buddha's teachings, but what does living a life of compassion mean? Come and find out! This event is open to all of Redding and Easton. It doesn't matter where you have your kids or how old they are.

▶ Family Game Night Social: Thursday, March 12th

Save the date, 6:30-8:30pm, for our first Family Game Night Social! Details to follow shortly!

▶ Don't Miss Our April & May PTA Meetings: Survey Results

The results of the guest speaker topics survey are: Delay Your Gray—How to Keep Your Teen Safe and You Sane! and What Are Teens Up To? On April 2nd, we'll have an evening session at 6:30pm and a morning session, May 7th at 9:15am. Details coming soon!

▶ Giving Bean Fundraiser: Purchase Your Coffees & Teas

Click the link to start your order of great coffee, tea and more! [GivingBeanGift](#).

▶ Tom Will Tell Question Submissions

Email questions to: TomWillTellRedding@gmail.com or send via: JRMSPTA.org.

REDDING COMMUNITY NOTES

Teen Weaving Workshop (Grades 5-8)

Friday, January 31, 4:00pm-5:00pm

Learn how to weave on a loom with artist/teacher Susan Jackson who will lead this interactive workshop featuring a hands-on lesson in weaving and a brief history of weaving as a practice and art form. No experience necessary. Registration is limited to 14 participants. JRMS students may provide a permission note to take bus #24 to the library from school. To sign up or for more information, visit www.marktwainlibrary.org, or call 203.938.2545.

Code & Snacks After School at JRMS (Grades 5-8 / 15 Weeks)

(Mondays 2/3 - 6/1) First session: Monday, February 3, 3:45pm-4:30 pm

Facilitated by the Mark Twain Library Staff and co-sponsored by Girls Who Code. This is a free program open to girls and boys. At the end of the 15-week program, participants will be able to design, build and code their own website. No prior coding experience necessary. (no class Feb 17, April 13, & May 25). Limited to 15 participants with a waitlist. To sign up or for more information, visit www.marktwainlibrary.org, or call 203.938.2545.

Next Easton Redding Community Cares Coalition Meeting

Friday, February 11th at 9:30am at the Redding Town Hall

This ERCCC meeting will take place at the Redding Town Hall for all Easton and Redding community members interested in the health and wellness of our 2 towns.

The Mark Twain Library would appreciate **YOUR INPUT** on how to enhance the library for the future. Please answer this survey:

<https://marktwainlibrary.org/survey/>

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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, February 7, 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!

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