

# PEEK OF THE WEEK

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Bi Weekly News & Notes from the JRMS PTA / Issue No.12

## JOHN READ MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

### ▶ PTA Monthly Meeting: Thursday, March 7th

Meeting starts at 9:15am in the JRMS Community Room. Kathy Hanley of the Housatonic Valley Coalition Against Substance Abuse (HVCASA) will come and talk to us about substance abuse with a primary focus on vaping. Kathy will be joined by the JRMS Guidance Counselors and a representative from JBHS.

### ▶ Glow Socials: Thursday, March 7th & Friday, March 8th

- **5TH GRADE:** Thursday, March 7th from 3:40-5:30pm
- **6TH GRADE:** Friday, March 8th from 3:40-5:30pm
- **7TH GRADE:** Friday, March 8th from 6:30-8:30pm

The March Glow Socials are around the corner. Please be on the lookout for permission slips and sign-up requests. Your help and donations will ensure a fun event for all.

### ▶ Corey the Dribbler Visits JRMS: Tuesday, March 26th

Don't miss 4-Time Guinness World Record Holder, **Corey Rich**. Rich performs his amazing talents at NBA Halftime Shows, and travels the country inspiring kids to **R.E.A.D** (**R**espect, **E**ducation, **A**ttitude/Activity, **D**on't Bully or Do Drugs). This is a character building assembly your kids will LOVE!

### ▶ Book Donations: JRMS Library Learning Commons

Please consider donating a book to the library this year. Visit our website for more details. [DonateBooksToday](#).

### ▶ Magazine Donations: Deliver to JRMS Art Department

The art room is looking for magazine donations, specifically sports, pop culture, travel/outdoors, and food. Please send all inquiries to [mweiss@er9.org](mailto:mweiss@er9.org).

### ▶ PTA Positions Available: School Year 2019/2020

Call for volunteers! It's never too soon to consider volunteering for the 2019-2020 JRMS school year. We are looking for officers, grade-level assistance for socials, special events coordinators etc. If interested, please contact Jackie Dyar at [jackiefritch@optonline.net](mailto:jackiefritch@optonline.net).

### ▶ CDC Symptom Checker: Is it a Cold or Flu?

SIGNS + SYMPTOMS	COLD	FLU
Symptom Onset	Gradual	Abrupt
Fever	Rare	Usual
Aches	Slight	Usual
Chills	Uncommon	Fairly Common
Fatigue, Weakness	Sometimes	Usual
Sneezing	Common	Sometimes
Coughing	Mild to Moderate	Common
Stuffy Nose	Common	Sometimes
Sore Throat	Common	Sometimes
Headache	Rare	Common

## REDDING COMMUNITY NOTES

### DIY Teen Duct Tape Craft (Grades 5-12)

Saturday, March 23rd, 2:00pm-3:00pm

In this fun, easy craft program we will make duct tape pieces such as bracelets and flowers using an array of colorful tapes. All materials will be provided, but participants are welcome to bring their own tape. No experience required to participate. Light refreshments will be served. Registration required. To sign up or for more information, visit [www.marktwainlibrary.org](http://www.marktwainlibrary.org), or call 203.938.2545.

### JBHS & RELAX Pancake Breakfast & Clinic

Saturday, March 16th, 9:00am-11:00am

This event will take place at Joel Barlow High School. Contact Emily Eubanks at [emile@optonline.net](mailto:emile@optonline.net) to sign up for clinics.

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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 still need your support. It's never too late to join to enjoy the benefits of membership and access to the online directory. Click on the link to register: [join.myschoolanywhere.com](http://join.myschoolanywhere.com) and enter code: JRMSPTA.

### NEXT PTA MEETING

#### Thursday, March 7th

Meeting starts at 9:15am in the JRMS Community Room. For more information, check out the PTA website the week of the meeting: [jrmspta.wixsite.com/jrmspta](http://jrmspta.wixsite.com/jrmspta)

### NEXT PTA PEEK OF THE WEEK

#### Tuesday, March 19th

## 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](http://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: <https://jrmspta.wixsite.com/jrmspta> or contact Lenore Pranzo: [Lcpranzo@hotmail.com](mailto: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! It's easy, visit: [mabelslabels.com](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://www.stopandshop.com/school-rewards)

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

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