

Dear Parents,

Family Fun night was a **HUGE** success! Attendance by both new families and long-standing families was great! The field and gym side of our building was bustling with food, games, dancing and all around good times! Thank you to Bob Chaney and Monique Chang, along with all of our volunteers for organizing and working all evening so our families could enjoy themselves. Thank you to Bevan Talbot for the beautiful fashion show and spirit wear event. **THANK YOU** to all of the families that came out and helped to build community and JC spirit!

Sincerely,

Trish McGuire

Time for Reminders

Boys and Girls Club is closed on Monday, October 9th.

There have been a very large number of forgotten instruments and other items brought to the office by parents because the children have left them at home. Calling the classroom to have students pick up their items is very disruptive to classroom teachers. The children should be responsible for bringing in their instruments on the day they have lessons. Please allow your children to be responsible and if they forget their instrument they will miss their lesson. Children need to experience what happens naturally when they don't take responsibility.

Strategies to help them remember:

1. Electronic calendar reminder
2. Note by the front door

Some advice from Positive Parenting:

When you find yourself telling your child to do something, phrase it in a question instead.

For example, instead of saying, "It's time for school"; say "What time do you need to leave in order to be on time?" Instead of saying, "Remember to turn in your library book," say "How are you going to remind yourself to turn your library book in on time?" Instead of saying, "Do your homework" say "How much time do you need to do homework this evening?"

More than anything else, this style of communicating will create kids that learn to remember, be responsible and accountable for their actions. You have so much to do with how your children learn to think, how they react and how they communicate. By asking questions, you become a master teacher of the very communication you want your children to learn to be [successful in school](http://positiveparenting.com/parenting-forgetful-behavior/) and their lives.

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Drivers please follow this procedure:

Drive up to the white sign along the gymnasium side of the school or the stop sign in front of the school. Do not stop in front of the door whether it is 7:30 am or 8:10 am. Pulling up to the top of the driveway will help keep the traffic moving.

Remain in the vehicle while students exit the car independently on the sidewalk side only.

Do not pass the car in front of you at any time. This is an extreme hazard and is strictly prohibited. Please wait in line, proceed around the loop, and exit onto East Elm Street or use the Milbank driveway.

Please refrain from using cell phones during drop off.

Once a student has been dropped off, he/she MUST stay on school grounds. All students should enter the school at the front entrance. Please keep in mind that one of our goals is to increase instructional time for students, so arriving on time will assist your child with organization and academics throughout the school year. Our goal is to have all students in their classrooms at 8:10 a.m.

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