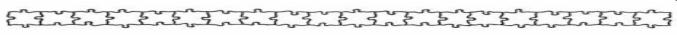
Joan Martin School

Flora Keslin, Principal

Mindy Nicholas, Assistant





"We are All A Piece of the Puzzle"

Welcome all new and old JM families! This is our theme for the school year. We must have everyone's support so that our children are successful. Please connect your puzzle piece to us by:

- -communicating often with your child's teacher
- —checking Homework Hotline, STI*home,* and the JM web site
- —reading the monthly principal newsletter, the "Building Readers" newsletter, and the Home-School Coordinator's monthly newsletter
- —supporting our fundraisers and attending our many family events.
- —volunteer through our PTO or your child's teacher
- —call with your questions

2007-08 PTO OFFICERS

Sandy Tomaga—President Kristi Davis- Vice President Kim Ausenbaugh —Treasurer Jennifer Galinas— Secretary Theresa McNew—Corresponding Secretary

NCA and State Accreditation

We will be participating in a Quality Assurance Review (QAR) through North Central Accreditation in October. This process involves a team of seven people from the organization reviewing out district and school plans. If we "pass" we will be granted District Accreditation which is a tremendous accomplishment! If you would like to be part of the process, please call me.

A NEW SCHOOL YEAR!

Find Out Who Your Child's Teacher Is

Starting now, you are welcome to pay book rental and bus fees between 8:00 and 2:45. Only when paying early will you be able to find out your child's teacher. As you know purchasing books is expensive and we count on our parents paying their book rental. If this is a financial burden, please fill out a free and reduce form or see a principal.

<u>Joan Martin Open House</u> Wednesday, Aug. 15 5:00—7:00 p.m.

- Pay your fees, find out your child's teacher, and tour the school. (Teachers will not be present.)
- Sign up to be involved through our PTO.
- Pick up your teacher supply lists.
- Take home information on how you can help support your school.
- Sign up for free and reduced lunch and book fees.

2007/08 Book Rental

K - \$77.00 3—\$165.00 1 - \$127.00 4—\$164.00 2 - \$120.00 5—\$174.00



*Class lists will be posted on the front doors of Joan Martin on Friday, August 19.

This Newsletter is very important because it is our monthly way of communicating with you about important information and events happening at our school. It will be on lavender paper so you can easily recognize it. It is also on the our web page www.hobart.k12.in.us, click on Joan Martin, under Home click on Newsletters. I encourage you to explore out web site. It's very exciting was to chare happenings at our school.

Children's

LUNCH SCHEDULE

10:45-11:30 Full Day Kindergarten

10:55-11:35 Gr. 1

11:20-12:00 Gr. 2

11:45-12:25 Gr. 3

12:10-12:50 Gr. 4

12:35-1:15 Gr. 5

Children go out for recess for 20 minutes and then come in to eat. You are welcome to join your child occasionally for lunch. *Please bring healthy food and no pop.*

READ YOUR STUDENT HANDBOOK

The first several pages give you very important information about the procedures at our school. A major concern is the flow of traffic in the front of the school. TO KEEP THE TRAFFIC MOVING ALONG THE CURB, PARK IN THE EAST LOT IF YOU ARE GETTING OUT OF YOUR CAR. OTHERWISE MOVE UP QUICKLY, DROP OFF YOUR CHILD, AND MOVE ON. DO NOT PARK AND LEAVE YOUR CAR UNATTTENDED ALONG THE CURB.

"BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT"

Wednesday, August 29

These sessions are for you to learn about the curriculum, our goals, and your child's teacher's expectations for the year.

The main computer lab will be open for STI*home* help and demonstration. 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Session 1 -6-6:30 p.m.

Session 2 - 6:40-7:10p.m. (repeat of 1st session)

VERY IMPORTANT TIME FOR YOU!

(If possible children should NOT be present.)

Before school begins help your child: relax - energize - talk about school - be prepared - reset bedtime - "I CAN" attitude