



# Jones Monthly Update

## Growth Mindset - Overcome Test Anxiety

## ISTEP+ Part 1

Many of us have heard the famous saying, “life is 10% of what happens and 90% of how you react to it...we are in charge of our attitudes”. Our students are learning that their talents and abilities can be developed through effort, good teaching and persistence, or grit. When a “can do” attitude is adopted, the standardized tests become opportunities to “show what we know” and how much each student has grown over the course of school year. When testing becomes an opportunity for growth, anxiety is reduced! The research tells us that children that have learned about Growth Mindset **ACTUALLY DO BETTER** because they feel in charge of learning and their future! Our students have learned the following “Mindset Chant” that inspires us to “Keep Calm and Learn On”!

**Leader:** Whatcha gotta do?

*Students:* I’ve got to train my brain!

**Leader:** Why you gotta do it?

*Students:* Gotta show the world!

**Leader:** Whatcha gonna show them?

*Students:* That I’ve got some skills!

**Leader:** What kind of skills?

*Students:* Whatever I work on!

**Leader:** What’s that called?

*Students:* Growth Mindset, Growth Mindset!!!!



Grades 3, 4, and 5 students are taking ISTEP+ Part One from February 26 through March 9. Grade 3 students are taking IREAD from March 12 - 16. Please make sure that your child is in attendance on these days. Please make sure that they come to school rested and have a good breakfast each morning. Please talk to your student about doing the very best on this assessment. We want the students to show what they know.

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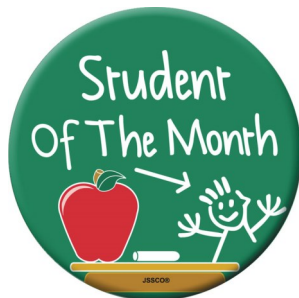
*Mistakes are proof that you are trying*

## Walk-A-Thon

Once again we are having our largest fundraiser for the school year - The Jones Indians Walk-a-thon. We would like to give you a heads up and ask that you look for information that will be coming home with your child on March 21. One hundred percent of the money raised goes directly to the school PTO to benefit our students. This school year we were able to bring programs to our students such as the BMX program that supported the Growth Mind Set, The Ned Show - Kindness Adventure, student activities, special programs, and we have a big all school reward planned for the end of the school year. More information on that will come to you at a later time. We had a great Walk-a-thon Celebration last year and plan on it being just as successful this year.

## Circle the State

On Saturday, March 10, 11 Jones students will be participating in the Circle the State with Song festival in Hebron, IN. These students auditioned and were chosen to learn 7 difficult songs. They have been practicing on Saturday mornings in January and February. The students that are participating are: Myrai Cruz, Ronetta Jackson, Ayden Edwards, Zoey Garner, Hayden Orosz, Ella Sowa, Ayva Cunningham, Alyssa Simpson, Abby Bachmann, & Ariel LaGace.



February Students of the Month: K - Sofia Torres, Ellie Gonzalez, Damian Padron. 1 - Lillian Craig, Mirabel Maxin, Andrew Miller. 2 - Isabel Werhand, Jayson Culp, Serenitee Ragnone. 3 - Leah Mundell, Madelyn Lyons, Andrew Fehlman. 4 - Ethan Schubert, Michael Tanas, Addison Maxberry. 5 - Conner Morton, Kaylee Bunton, Glenn Doyle. Music - Wesley Baker & Braden Bachmann. Art - Lydon Vega & Annaliese Medina. PE - Courtney Romsos

We are in need of Box Tops! Please send in your Box Tops. Please help us and trim the Box Tops - we have to pay the postage to send these for redemption. We use the money from these *Box Tops* to pay for the school homework folders, K - 2 writing journals, and 3 - 5 planners. Please help support us by collecting the Box Tops.



## Yearbook Orders

**Due**

**March 6**

**\$15.00/each**

## Important Dates

- February 26 - March 9 - ISTEP Part 1
- March 2 - 3rd Grade Space Fair in cafeteria 1:45 - 2:45PM
- March 6- Yearbook orders are due
- March 6 - Girls on the Run starts up
- March 6 - Love & Logic meeting in cafeteria
- March 8 - Student Council Meeting
- March 10 - Circle the State program in Hebron
- March 12 - 16 - IREAD testing for Grade 3
- March 13 - Love & Logic meeting in cafeteria
- March 15 - Circle the State performance @ PHS 6:00PM
- March 19 - 4th Grade Mighty Acorns Trip
- March 20 - PTO meeting 3:30PM
- March 20 - Talent show Audition 3:15 - 4:45
- March 22 - Talent show audition 3:15 - 4:45
- March 26 - 30 Spring Break
- April 2 - NO SCHOOL
- April 9 - Purdue Science Night
- April 9 - 13 - Scholastic Spring Book Fair
- April 11 - Kindergarten Round-Up
- April 13 - Muffins with Moms