



From the Principal

John Stanford International School

June 10, 2009

Dear JSIS Families,

It is wonderful to see how compassionate students at John Stanford Int'l School are. From students collecting over 200 pairs of socks for migrant workers to parents giving so much of their time to volunteer in our classrooms and on field trips to students, staff and families taking care of each other on a daily basis, compassion is truly a valued and well-expressed trait at our school. It's a joy to be a part of this community!

Seymour Kaplan Nominees 2009

In celebration of compassion, we have 27 students who go above and beyond to show kindness and compassion to others. They are being recognized as our Seymour Kaplan nominees for 2008 – 2009. These students have received letters in the mail and will be recognized at our awards assembly. At the assembly, two students will be selected as our official Seymour Kaplan Award recipients.

Each year, the JSIS staff nominates students in each grade level who they believe exemplify the memory of Mr. Kaplan, a person described as warm, sensitive and understanding with a genuine compassion, concern and love for people. Mr. Kaplan was accepting of differences among people and worked against discrimination and bigotry. The following students resemble Mr. Kaplan's legacy and are nominated for the award:

<u>Grade K</u>	<u>Grade 1</u>	<u>Grade 2</u>
Sam Hogg	Mohammad Shahin	Andrei Mironov
Cecilia Mirabile	Jing Lu Yang	Simran Chhetri
Leyla Bevis-Mast	Naomi Pleasure-Park	Harriet Siqueland
Yanling Jin	Declan Murray	
	Yumi Taneda	
	Henry Veillon	
<u>Grade 3</u>	<u>Grade 4</u>	<u>Grade 5</u>
Massimo Abbruzzesse	Diego Roberts Buceta	Simon Dubief
Gaya Trejo Mazzanti	Anna Favour	Alex Brettmann
Flannery Mullin	Zin Mar Oo	Alexa Fay
Charlie Maki	Ada Bowles	Emma Padgett
	Jacob Mann	
	Zin Mar Myo Oo	

Congratulations to these students and their families! And congratulations to all of our students for showing such kindness and compassion each and every day!

~ Mr. Aramaki

Announcements & Reminders:

- **Stay Informed Regarding The New Student Assignment Plan** – The following are opportunities to learn more and give input about the proposed assignment plan. This

new student assignment plan impacts every school in the district. **Public hearing tonight** Wednesday, June 10 6:00-8:00 p.m. John Stanford Center - Auditorium: a hearing to take public testimony on the plan will be held on June 10 and taped for later viewing by those unable to attend. Staff will provide a high level written summary of the public testimony and post this to the Web page. **Drop in meetings** Two opportunities will occur for people to have informal Q&A with district staff. **Wednesday June 10 from 8:00 – 9:30 PM** – immediately following the public hearing in the John Stanford Center – Auditorium. **Saturday June 13 from 9:00 to noon** at the John Stanford Center – Auditorium. **Email input** Newassign@seattleschools.org is dedicated for receiving input from staff, families, and community members on the student assignment plan. This input is reviewed by staff and informs updates to the FAQ on-line. **FAQ** Regularly updated at <http://www.seattleschools.org/area/newassign/faq.html>

- **Field Day Parent Volunteers Needed!** Field Day is happening on June 18th. We will have an early lunch at school, walk to Gasworks Park for the festivities and then return to school for popsicles. If you'd like to volunteer for this fun event, please contact Mrs. U at 206.252.6080 or jwuhlenkott@seattleschools.org.
- **Great weather + Longer days + Green families = More bikes at school.** Along with the great feeling we, as a school, get from the increase in bicycle traffic, there is also the potential for accidents and injury. Please keep in mind that bike riding on school play areas and sidewalks is dangerous – **dismount and walk on school property**. Additionally, Seattle municipal code requires that all riders must **wear a helmet while riding a bicycle**.
- **Lost and Found** – There are many small items in the office – cell phones, glasses, keys, etc. They will be disposed of after June 19.
- **Last Day of School** – Please note that the last day of school is **Friday, June 19th**, due to the snow days we've had this year. School gets out at **2:20** that day. The first student day for 2009-2010 is **Sept. 9, 2009**.

Calendar of Events:	
June 10	5 th grade play 10 AM and 6:30 PM
June 11	BBQ Lunch - \$4.00 for anyone not currently attending a Seattle Public School. Students pay their regular hot lunch price.
June 12	Spanish Movie Night
June 17	10:00 Choir assembly 2:00 Kindergarten ceremony in lunchroom 5:30 PTSA BBQ/Potluck and Choir performance
June 18	12:30-3:00 Field Day
June 19	Last Student Day. Awards Assembly AM, 5 th grade ceremony PM 2:20 Dismissal
June 23-July 3	Summer Language Camp 9:00-12:00 (starts in the cafeteria at 9:00)