

**Principal's Update**  
**John F. Kennedy Elementary School**  
**C.A.P.T.**  
**January 12, 2010**

**Enrollment: as of January 12<sup>th</sup>**

Current enrollment - 417

Grade 1: 87 (Class size 21-22)

Grade 2: 82 (Class size 21)

Grade 3: 86 (Class size 21.5)

Grade 4: 90 (Class size (22.50))

Grade 5: 72 (Class size 18)

**What's happened since our last meeting?** (see weekly e-mails on Thursdays for details on all events)

- First month of Traveler Tickets – good participation – prize awarded at the end of the month
- Dr. D'Auria visited the JFK for a morning
- Pizza parties for Mrs. Platt's group (winner of fourth grade math facts challenge) and Mrs. Chamberlain's class (winner of the Vocab Word of the Week Contest)
- Third – Fifth grade open response writing samples were collected and analyzed by the teachers in order to modify instruction as necessary
- KONE Safe-T-Rider assembly was held for the second graders (training on elevator/escalator and walking side walk safety)
- Winter Sing-a-Long (CLASSIC!!!!)
- Third Continental Math League meet (now includes grade two)
- After school homework club continues on Mondays

**Coming up for the remainder of January** (see also calendar on our website)

- Favorite Team Day at JFK on Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>
- Xylos Concert on Wednesday, Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
- Geography Bee Finals for grades four and five on Friday, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>
- Colonial Trades Program for grade three students – weeks of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>
- CAPE Spelling Bee on Friday, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Kindergarten Registration begins on Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>
- Winter Concert for fifth grade on Wednesday, Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m.
- Second term marking period ends on Friday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>
- Fifth grade play Princess and the Pea on Friday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> and Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup>

**Behind the Scenes – Teaching Staff**

- Second Grade teachers provided with additional training on report generation for Study Island
- Fourth and fifth grade teachers trained on Easy Grade Pro, a computerized grading system
- Met with middle school re: end of year testing for our fifth graders transitioning to grade six