

J. M. S. News. . . by Donald F. Gately
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Quote of the Week:

"The best thing about the future is that it only comes one day at a time."

- Abraham Lincoln



Dear Parents,

At our performance of Annie, Jr., last week while offering some introductory remarks, I said that I recently realized that I've only got about five more months to say that I'm the "new" principal at Jericho Middle School. I enjoy saying this because it gives me a chance to remind you what a special place this is. Since I came to this school, I have been so deeply impressed by all the wonderful programs in place for our children and the extremely high quality of instruction that takes place in classrooms throughout this building everyday.

Most impressive however are the many wonderful people in Jericho. The families here are knowledgeable about and appreciate high quality education; they support it in words and in deeds. The staff is highly competent, uniquely creative, and wholly dedicated to the well-being and success of all our students. And the children . . . our students are warm, friendly, bright and always willing to help others. I think you know what a special place this school community is, but sometimes it's nice to hear it from somebody who, not too long ago, was on the outside looking in.

The holidays are a time to give thanks for all the things that make our life special. I want to thank everyone in Jericho for welcoming me so warmly to the middle school family. I am so very proud to say that I am the principal of this remarkable place.

Parent Informational Meeting

Incoming 7th and 8th Grade Parent Informational Meeting

PTSA Meeting

M. S. Library - Tuesday, January 9th - 7:30 p.m.

Please e-mail all positive responses to Ruth Nadel at rnadel@jerichoschools.org, no later than Wednesday, January 3rd.

Geography Bee



The annual Geography Bee preliminary rounds at the middle school were held on Thursday, December 21st. The tiebreaking round for those students who received a score of 6 out of 7, took place today, and on January 5th, during periods 3 and 4 in the Auditorium, the 10 finalists will be competing for the school-wide competition. The middle school winner will represent Jericho Middle School at the State level in Albany in the spring. Listed below are the 10 finalist's names:

6th grade: Lloyd Kaplan

7th grade: Neil Mehta, Sam Rosenbaum, Andrew Zigelbaum,

8th grade: Jesse Chazen, Matthew Lanz, Arthur Lo, Tracie Mandel,
Eric Pesner, Sahir Raoof

Stay tuned . . .

*Have a happy and healthy winter break.
Enjoy!*



DATES TO REMEMBER

December 25 - January 1, 2007 - Schools Closed