

FJC

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WHO'S WHO



Karen Nicholson, is without a doubt, committed to her students and her beliefs as a teacher with over 30 years of experience. The Rocky Point Community has shared many of their children with Mrs. Nicholson and she accepted that charge with great caring and dedication. She has always been a strong advocate for her students, putting their needs first and foremost. As her colleagues, we've been privileged to share in her creativity and artistic talent both in school and out of school. Mrs.

Nicholson is a quilter, she's a master quilter. A Nine Patch block was created for quilters with little time to spare. Mrs. Nicholson managed to pursue her art while raising a family and teaching full time with little time to spare. Homesteaders who travelled west brought with them friendship quilts from the family and friends they left behind, back East. Mrs. Nicholson flipped that notion and for every colleague and friend who retired, she made a quilt to remember their FJC family. Mrs. Nicholson we know you'll enjoy harmony and balance with your family and friends in retirement. You'll have time to sew and enjoy your boys, your husband, Ed, and sons, Zach, Sean, and Brian.



Mrs. McNicholas began her time at FJC working in the lunchroom. She then moved into the classroom as a Teacher's Aide and worked with Mrs. Fisher for years before she settled in to the library. Mrs. McNicholas has been the ultimate librarian's assistant. She spends her days surrounded by books and young children, her quiet, kind demeanor has been a perfect fit. If there is a book to be found, Mrs. McNicholas is on it. Mrs. McNicholas has an innate sense about young children. When she sees a little one who needs a little extra TLC or a gentle reminder, she quietly steps in and provides just the right amount of care. Mrs. McNicholas checks FJC

books in an out, she repairs those books and guards that expensive tape! Mrs. McNicholas is a fixture in the library, you will find her greeting students as they get off the buses in the morning, she keeps the breakfast line moving so students can get back to class, and she covers her colleagues' breaks throughout the day. Mrs. McNicholas has a heart of gold. She can make you laugh without even trying. We know you will love spending more time with your sons, James and Thomas and your six grandchildren: Amaya, Aiden, Meaghan, Emily, Hailey, and Olivia. Mrs. McNicholas we are going to miss you. Much love and hap-

In Review:

- FJC now has an indoor recess room!
- Second grade attended Safety Town and visited the Holtsville Ecology Center.
- Students participated in Clubs at FJC
- First grade visited the Riverhead Aquarium.
- Kindergarten visited Benner's Farm.
- The North Shore Public Library hosted an in school assembly.
- Second grade Chorus performed their spring concert at the high school and in school for FJC students.
- Second grade visited JAE for third grade orientation.
- Second grade Service Squad participated in an Earth Day Recycling Project.
- School Budget Vote

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I'd love to hear from you. vgibbons@rockypoint.k12.ny.us

What would you like to see in the FJC newsletter?

Upcoming Events:

- May 23rd wear purple for Citizenship
- No school on May 28th for Memorial Day
- Field Day is from 9:55 am to 11:30 am on the following days:
 - May 29th for Kindergarten
 - May 30th for First Grade
 - May 31st for Second Grade
- Second Grade Moving Up Ceremony will be held on Friday, June 15th at 10:30 am.
- Monday, June 18th—Second Grade Student/Teacher Celebration
- Watch for upcoming Grade Level Calendars with June Events!
- Half days on June 20th, 21st, and 22nd



Congratulations to our winners of the Brookhaven National Science Fair!

2nd Grade Winner Natalie Chakaberia

1st Grade Winner Marah Palank

1st Honorable Mention Sena Donnolly

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*Students at FJC have been learning about Citizenship. Students from Ms. Capaldi and Miss Glennon's class created the bulletin board in the main hallway entitled, "All Aboard the Citizen-SHIP Cruise Line!"

- ◆ Character Counts May Pillar is Citizenship. Students discuss ways to show citizenship by following these rules: we obey the rules, we will respect people in charge, we will cooperate, and we will help keep our world clean and beautiful.
- ◆ Students will hear the following stories that support their learning in citizenship:
 - Kindergarten: If Everybody Did by JoAnn Stover.
 - First graders: What if Everybody Did That? By Ellen Javernick.
 - Second graders: Old Henry by Joan W. Blos.
- ◆ For community service ideas, you may visit: <https://kidworldcitizen.org/35-serviceprojects-for-kids/>



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