

JEFFERS HILL CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH

LOCAL AUTHOR SPOTLIGHT

Trumaine McCaskill, author of *A Child's Dream: ABCs of Black History* and OMHS History Teacher

Join us as local author and educator at Oakland Mills High School reads his book *A Child's Dream: ABCs of Black History* on **Thursday, February 4th from 6:30-7:15 pm**. Mr. McCaskill has traveled the world and has dedicated his life to educating young boys and girls about the historical figures that have shaped our world today. Google Meet Code: **JHES Reads**

FEMI THE DRIFISH POETRY ASSEMBLY

Femi the DriFish presents *Write on, Then Say Word*

Join us via Google Meet on **Tuesday, February 9th from 6:30-7:30 pm** for a virtual assembly provided by our JHES PTA! Femi the DriFish's poetry performance is a spoken word/slam poetry journey through the various reasons to write and perform. By the end of this assembly, students will be inspired to write their own poems to share during our JHES Poetry Slam on February 25th. Google Meet Code: **JHES Poetry**

VIRTUAL READ ALOUDS

Friday Lunch Time Read Alouds with JHES Staff

Join your Jeffers Hill friends and staff for a virtual lunch bunch and a Black History Month themed read aloud from **12:00-12:30** on the following days.

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February 5th- Mrs. Strong

February 19th- Ms. Brunswick

February 26th- Mrs. Odom

JHES POETRY SLAM

Black History Month Poetry Slam featuring JHES Student Scholars with guest appearance from Femi the DriFish

Students will be encouraged to write their own poems after our Femi the DriFish poetry assembly earlier in the month. Student poems should be inspired by current or historical figures in the black community, important events in black history, or other similar topics. Students will be invited to share their writing during our poetry slam on **Thursday, February 25th at 6:30 pm**. More information will be shared to support and prepare students for this event. Google Meet Code: **JHES Poetry Slam**

Throughout the month, teachers will be highlighting notable figures from Black History during the Morning Meeting/SEL block. In art class, students will be creating masterpieces inspired by black artists which will be included in a virtual art gallery.