**Views for the New Year**

**January, 2016**

It’s 2016 and I’m going to start your new year off with some videos that will have your students moving and learning.

Sports Around the Year – Starting with January, your students can ice skate, play basketball, soccer, and the other sports they enjoy through the seasons of the year.

Alex, can we have the link and a photo for each of these?

Jump Up, Turn Around, Cross the Midline – Here’s another movement song that will activate both sides of the brain. Use it to start your day or as a transition between content areas in the day.

Karate Writing – Sing the alphabet as you punch the letters that start at the top dotted line, middle dotted line, and those with a tail.

My Bonnie Bounce – This is pure fun and a way to oxygenate the brain and release stress.

Here are links to my YouTube videos that are available so far. For your planning purposes they are organized into the following categories:

1. Brain Energizers (Perfect for brain breaks)
2. Literacy (Reinforce literacy skills with a song)
3. Math (Move and learn math standards)
4. Just for Fun (Songs kids love)
5. Teacher Talks (Let me share some cheers, handshakes, finger plays, transitions, and tips with you.)

Alex, do you want to put the links for each of these?

Brain Energizers

The Rules Rap

Jump Rope Rally

Seven Days of Boot Camp

Morning Stretch

Tony Chestnut

My Flag

Clap! (Patty Cake)

Sports Around the Year

My Bonnie Bounce

Jump Up, Turn Around, Cross the Midline

Literacy

Go Letters

Phonercise

Karate Writing

Math

Addition Pokey

Macarena Count to 100

Pump Up to 100

Just for Fun

The Banana Dance

Tooty Ta

Today Is Sunday

The Butterfly

Baby Bumblebee

Albuquerque Turkey

Alligator

Tiny Tim

Elephant Song

Teacher Talks

Back to School

Handshakes

Transition Tips

Finger Plays I, II, III, IV, V

Cheers

One More Time (Reading Fluency)

Halloween

Happy Birthday

Surprise! (Requests)

**Video Contest**

I know there many talented teachers out there, so here’s an opportunity for you to create a video that you can share with other teachers and children. You may use any of my songs, but they need to be ones that are in the public domain. (We must pay copyright fees for songs such as “Alphardy,” “Letter Pops,” “The Clock Rock,” etc. so you cannot use those. Contact me if you have a question about a song.)

Please email your entries to (drjean@drjean.org) by January 31, 2016. We will select five videos and give each winner $100 worth of free downloads from my song store.

I’m excited to see what you come up with, and I know other teachers will be thrilled to add some movement and fun to their day.