

Ketterlinus Elementary School....where we learn, love and laugh.

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****** Student of the Week

VPK: Connor Dermody Kindergarten: Kiri Sawyer, Veda Rhodin, Roan Grosso-Garcia,

- Kennedy McMullen
- 1st Grade: Mason Kciuk, Reeve Power, Emilia McNeely, Graham Marks, Isla Struhar, Tahijay Bartley
- 2nd Grade: Brooke Bradshaw, Alyssa Clemons, Tyson Freeman, Isabella Dux-Arth
- 🖌 3rd Grade: Lorali Thomas, Hayden Zanzarella, Ty Lucas, Tanner Scott
- 4th Grade: Jordan Russell, Xavier Glines
- 5th Grade: Shaan Patel, Cole Itnyre, Trey Walsh

First Lady Scott Visits Ketterlinus

KES is one of a few schools in the State of Florida that was recognized by First Lady Scott for their participation in the "Summer Literacy Adventure". This program challenged students to read over the summer in hopes that their literacy skills would continue to strengthen. Our students accepted this challenge and as a result, were third in the state for the number of books read. First Lady Scott visited KES this week to congratulate our students on this achievement. Thank you Denise Droege, our media center specialist, for instilling a love for reading in our students. Her passion for books and love for literature is shown in her dedication. We are so proud of our students and look forward to hearing of the many reading adventures they take as they continue to explore literature.



Dear Ketterlinus Family and Friends -

This week was a busy week at Ketterlinus Elementary School. On Tuesday, Ketterlinus Elementary students were recognized as placing 3rd in the state for the Summer Literacy Challenge. We were rewarded with a visit from Florida's First Lady, Ann Scott, and with 50 library books, as well as a certificate for our participation in the Summer Literacy Challenge. First Lady Scott was very complimentary of the school and of our reading initiatives.

Last Saturday, TEAM KES participated in the Pink Up the Pace 5k for breast cancer. It was wonderful to see several students, parents and staff members participating in a race right in our own neighborhood. Congratulations to all runners!

With cooler weather, school activities and events increase. Please stay informed and in touch by reading your child's teacher's newsletters and the Dolphin Digest newsletter. We have had several families share they were not aware of events, meetings or enrichment activities. We do post everything on our school website, as well as in class newsletters. In addition, we do Alert Now (automated phone calls) to remind parents of special events. If you are not receiving these messages and newsletters, please let your child's teacher know. Finally, please consider joining us on Tuesday, October 14th at 7:45am for our School Advisory Council meeting. We have invited Beth Sweeney, SJCSD Government Liaison, to speak. She is highly informative and engaging. Her topic is Legislative Advocacy. There is so much going on in education, so we highly recommend you stay informed to be empowered.

Have a wonderful weekend! Go Jags!

Kathy Tucker

School Safety

PLEASE do not allow your child to bring anything that is made of glass to school. This includes glass bottles, snow globes, picture frames, and cups. This policy is in effect for the safety of our staff and students. Accídents happen and glass breaks. We don't want anyone to be hurt as a result. Thank you for your cooperation.

Mark your calendars for the first Spirit Night of the school year. On Tuesday, October 21st, Zaxby's will host Spirit Night for KES. Come enjoy dinner and great conversation with fellow Dolphins.



Dear KES Volunteers-

Thank you for allowing me to ask for help as volunteer opportunities arise. You have been such a wonderful help. Our Health Screening ran so smoothly with the many extra hands of our volunteers. Lunch room volunteers are a huge help as they are teaching our students the art of recycling. We are still in need of a few volunteers during lunch, so please Check let me know if you are interested.

I wanted to recognize our 2013/2014 Volunteers of the Year. We appreciate your time, your dedication and your love for KES. David Rice, Heather Brecko, and Sydney Simmerson were recognized last spring at the Volunteer of the Year banquet. Each year, our teachers and staff nominate a volunteer to receive the "Volunteer of the Year" award. The 2014/2015 nominations will be made within the next few weeks. This is always so difficult for us as ALL of you bring so many wonderful gifts to KES. In our hearts, you ALL should be recognized for your commitment to KES. Thank you!!

Michelle Moore Michelle.Moore@stjohns.k12.fl.us

KES Show Our Support for Breast Cancer Awareness

It was great seeing so many KES students, staff and families participating in the Pink Up The Pace 5k this past weekend. We definitely have future track stars among us. We hope that you enjoyed time with fellow Dolphins while you ran through the streets of downtown St. Augustine. The sea of blue KES shirts sprinkled among the different shades of pink was impressive. The after race "Block Party" was enjoyed by all. It is always so nice to relax with family and friends. If you weren't able to make this race, don't worry. There will be plenty of 5k races over the next few months that you can participate in. Join Mrs. Tucker on Wednesday afternoons at the Vilano bridge for a casual afternoon jog. She begins her run at 4:30 p.m. Lace those shoes up and hit the pavement.



~ Dates to Remember *~*

10/14 SAC meeting @7:45 a.m.

- Spirit Night at Zaxby's from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. 10/21
- NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS-Teacher Planning Day 10/24 10/31 Costume Parade @ 9:00 a.m.
- 11/07 Fall Festival

Ways to Raise Money for Our School

Box Tops & Education

Congratulations to Reagan Alexander for collecting 263 Box Top labels over the summer!! She will enjoy having lunch and doing nails with Mrs. Tucker. A new collection form was sent home today for you to use. Please make sure that you put your child's teacher's name on the paper or place your Box Tops in a Ziploc bag with the teacher's name clearly printed on the front. Remember that with every Box Top collected, our school receives 10 cents. We have already collected over \$500.00 this school year!!

Collected Ink Cartridges

One of our alumni, Terry Bennett, is graciously donating empty ink cartridges to the KES ink cartridge recycling program. Empty ink cartridges earn money for our school . We are so grateful for Mr. Bennett's commitment to KES. Thank you, Mr. Bennett, for supporting our school. If you have empty laser or jet ink cartridges that you would like to donate, please place them in a plastic bag, then bring to the front office. We receive \$2.00 for every cartridge donated!!

Labels For Education

Labels for Education a fun and easy program where families and members of the community work together to "Earn Free Stuff" for their school! Just clip the UPC code off hundreds of participating products and send them in with your child. We will then earn points to redeem for FREE athletic, academic and arts merchandise. Go to www.labelsforeducation.com for more information.

Take Charge of Education

Help Target help your favorite school. Target will donate 1% of your RedCard purchases to your favorite school!! All you have to do is indicate KES as your school. Please go to www.target.com/redcard/main to indicate KES as your FAVORITE school!



Youth Basketball League

Do you have a son or daughter between the ages of 7 and 14 who just can't stop bouncing that basketball? Would you like a way for them to develop their basketball skills?

Then join the SJC Recreation and Parks Department Youth Basketball League. We run co-ed developmental leagues for children ages 7 & 8, and competitive leagues for boys and girls ages 9-14. Registration opens ber 1 and ends November 1, Team tryouts will be held November 2. Registration fee is \$30. Visit sjcfl.us/youth for details, or contact Brian James at (904) 209-0365 or bjames@sjcfl.us

The Dynamic Dolphin Chorus is working really hard to learn all of our songs for our winter concert. We cannot wait to share them with you! The date for the winter concert will be announced in next week's newsletter.

No School on Friday, October 24th. It is a Teacher's Planning Day.

Costume Parade

On Friday, October 31st @ 9:00 a.m., our bus loop will be the stage for our annual Costume Parade. You will be able to see princesses, super heroes, firefighters, swat team members, kittens, witches, ninjas and more! Please keep in mind the following when choosing a costume for your child:

*Students should wear sneaker (no heels or boots).

*Students should come to school wearing their costumes. It is helpful for students to wear as much as their school clothes under their costume as possible.

*NO make-up or sprayed hair color

*No "scary" costumes or masks

*No weapon props

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Parents: You must have a cleared "School Access Form" on file if you are planning on watching the parade. Please submit your application today. This is a great event that our children look forward to each year. Don't forget your camera!



Lost and Found

We have quite a selection of lunch boxes, jackets, and bags in our Lost and Found box. If your child is missing something, please have them check Lost and Found. Also, please clearly mark your child's belonging with their name. This will help us return things to their owner.

Ancient City Kids Day

Attention Parents! Looking for something fun to do with your kids that doesn't cost a lot of money? Then the 19th Annual Ancient City Kids Day is for you! Ancient City Kids Day will be held on Saturday, October 25, 2014 from 11am-3pm at Francis Field on Castillo Drive. This event, coordinated by local agencies, is a day of fun-filled activities for children and families. The event is free for the public, and will include over 40 youth service agencies offering carnival style games and activities, arts and crafts, contests for the kids and free entertainment all day plus Smokey the Bear. No child will leave emptyhanded as t-shirts, prizes or goodies are given out all day. Education al information on resources in our community is available for parents. The only cost to the public will be for food or drinks. Ancient City Kids Day has grown to be one of St. Augustine's biggest youth activities, and is a popular event for the whole family. Last year's event brought approximately 3,000 people out for the fun. For more information, please feel free to contact EPIC Behavioral Healthcare at 829-2273.

