

Happy Holidays from our KES family to yours!



Student of the Week

- VPK: Liam Franke
- Kindergarten: Regan Alexander
- 1st Grade: Adysson Rosenfeld, Joshua Beckman, Mio Brumley, Olivia Mihal, Mia Bergamasco
- 2nd Grade: Emma Ryan, Grant Wilkerson, Quinn McMullen
- 3rd Grade: Blake Furnal, Zoe Chapin
- 4th Grade: Jasmine Cossette, Cole Nelson, Devin Delaney
- 5th Grade: Skylar Prall, Sheridan Jones
- The Cove:



The Reindeer Run - December 6, 2014, St. Augustine, Florida

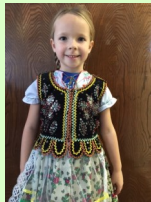


Happy Holidays from The Administration, Faculty, Staff and Students at Ketterlinus Elementary School
Wishing a wonderful holiday and happy 2015 to all!

Christmas Around the World

All of our Kindergarten classes participated in "Christmas Around the World". We learned about holiday traditions in Sweden, Poland, Germany, and Mexico. Eleanor, from Ms. Mercer's class, is dressed in a traditional Polish folk costume. Ask your kindergartener to tell you about this fun and educational activity.

- Merry Christmas
- God Jul
- Weso'lych S'wiat
- Frohe Weihnachten



Holiday Sing-A-Long

Thank you to everyone who helped make both chorus concerts so successful and wonderful! The first chorus practice of 2015 will be on January 14, 2015. Stay tuned for our Spring Concert date. Happy Holidays and Happy New Year from Ms. Height and the Dynamic Dolphin Chorus!

Happy Holidays KES Family & Friends!

Ketterlinus students make me so proud – from chorus performances, service learning projects, to field trips. This particular study body has become such great citizens. They have such an awareness of their actions and their responsibilities. Our students look out for one another – especially our fifth graders with the kindergarteners and first graders. Watching them together is amazing. I feel very blessed to be at Ketterlinus with the wonderful students, staff and community.

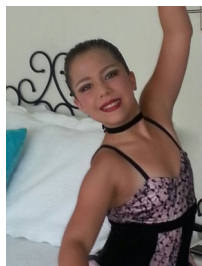
As we look ahead, I ask that parents take a look at the master calendar for 2015-2016. Students will return to school on August 10, 2015. The last day of school will be May 26, 2016. This allows semester exams to be completed prior to Winter Break. The District Calendar Committee made the decision based on over 500 responses that were submitted. The master calendar is posted on the district and school website. Please plan accordingly as you begin to make your summer plans.

It is hard to believe that we are almost half way through the school year. Second semester will begin January 6th. Please take the time to review your child's academic progress with their teacher. Both teachers and students have been working very hard – this is a much needed break to enjoy with family and friends. Enjoy and cherish that time together! On behalf of the entire KES staff, we hope you and your family all have a wonderful and safe holiday season!

Sincerely,

Kathy Tucker

St. Augustine Ballet Nutcracker



Alexa Smith, a KES 5th grader, will be performing this weekend in the St. Augustine Ballet Nutcracker. Alexa will have the roles of a partygoer, a soldier and a Russian dancer. We are so proud of Alexa for this wonderful accomplishment. If you have never seen the Nutcracker performed by the St. Augustine Ballet, this year would be the perfect time. You will enjoy the beautiful performance, as well as show Alexa our Dolphin support.

Making a Difference

Each week we will share examples of acts of kindness shown by our staff members or by our students. We hope that you enjoy getting a glimpse of the character displayed at KES.

*Kelly Yelvington-for organizing and leading a prayer group each Monday morning at 7:45a.m. and for maintaining a positive outlook on life and learning at all times.

*Veronica Sturm-for sharing innovative methods of teaching and always displaying professionalism.

*Tiana Smith shared a book with Jaquan Lee one afternoon. He did not have a book to read so she shared one of hers. Both did a great job with their silent reading.



Merry Christmas

Dear KES Volunteers,



I hope that your holiday season is filled with all the magic the season brings. We truly appreciate you and hope that you feel how valued you are by the staff at KES. We realize that without you, the parents and guardians, our KES family is not complete.

Merry Christmas, to you and your family, and a Happy New Year. May all the memories created this year fill your heart with happiness.

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~* Dates to Remember *~

12/22-1/02 Winter Break
 01/05 Teacher Planning Day
 01/06 Students Return to School
 01/19 Martin Luther King Day—No School

Coach's Corner



The TOT teams have been working very hard on their routines. Their first performance will be on January 16th, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m., when they showcase their talent for the students and staff at KES. They will then entertain their parents and friends during their evening performance later that day. The evening performance will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the gymnasium. The TOT teams look forward to showing you the skills they have mastered.



Yankee Candle

Did you miss the deadline for placing a Yankee Candle order? It's not too late to treat yourself or someone you love with a New Year's gift. You can still order through the Yankee Candle website. KES will continue to receive credit for purchases made through December 31, 2014.

Please use the link below. The Group# is 990037005.

<https://www.yankeecandlefundraising.com>

News from VPK

Did you know that our V.P.K. class attends all specials, just like the "big kids"? The children in V.P.K. go to Art, Music, P.E. and Computer Lab. The students also do drama, yoga, sing songs, play games, and do a lot of movement activities. Cooking is one of their favorite things to do. They make something special for each letter of the alphabet they learn. Last week the class made zucchini bread for the letter Z. Yum!



Art Club News

Early-bird signups for Art Club for Kindergarten and 1st grade will begin Monday, December 15. Early-bird price be \$25 for the 5-week session. Registration will continue after winter break.



Sebastian Middle School



Join us for 5th grade Night/Ice Cream Social at Sebastian Middle School on Thursday, January 8th, 6pm

- *Tour the school!*
- *See band, chorus and guitar performances!*
- *Learn about our programs and courses!*
- *Go on a Scavenger Hunt!*
- *Buy Spirit Wear!*

Unable to Attend?
 Visit the SMS website for more info:
www-sms.stjohns.k12.fl.us

Murray Middle School



R.J. Murray Middle School Center for the Arts will be accepting online applications for the 2015-2016 school year beginning December 11th until February 2nd. Parents may visit MMS website for additional information about our program. Auditions will take place on February 2nd.

Application for our Cambridge Advanced Studies Program and AVID will open February 23, 2015.

Teacher Planning Day is on January 5th, 2015.

Students return to school on Tuesday, January 6th, 2015.



LUNCH SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF January 5th

Monday

NO SCHOOL

Tuesday

Cheese or Pepperoni Calzonettes
 Crunchy Beef Taco
 Chicken Nuggets
 Corn
 Assorted Fruit
 Garlic Breadstick
 Choice of Milk

Wednesday

Chicken Nuggets
 Fajita Chicken Salad
 Cherry Tomato & Celery
 Dunk Cup
 Baked Beans
 Fresh Apple Slices
 White Wheat Roll
 Choice of Milk

Thursday

Pasta & Meatballs
 Fajita Chicken Wrap
 Chicken Nuggets
 Spinach & Romaine Salad
 Sweet Peas
 Assorted Fruit
 Choice of Milk

Friday

BBQ Chicken
 Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza Wedges
 Steamed Carrots
 Green Beans
 White Wheat Roll
 Choice of 100 % Juice