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*************** Student of the Week \bigstar ኛ VPK: Camryn McDermott * Kindergarten: Zuri Brynildsen, Anthony Bartholomew, \bigstar 🕈 Skylynn Quillen, Peyton Swindull, Lila Huckstep, Carter Medley \bigstar First Grade: Adysson Rosenfeld, Annabelle Hucke, \bigstar Charlie Sweeney, Luke Weaver, Amir \bigstar Altoum

Second Grade: Aemon Conlon, Miles Strange, Karlie Page, Connor Ellis

Third Grade: Ashton Akam, Landon Ringot, Bella Banuchi

Fourth Grade: Holly Hudgins, Isabella Fusaro

Fifth Grade: Trey Fiacco, Jackie Waler, Julia Montufar

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.

Helen Endriss and Kelly Slaughter have been recognized by the fifth grade team for their unselfish contribution of their time. They have volunteered to supervise fifth grade recess every day during the past month so that teachers could work individually with students on their writing skills. This gift of time allowed the teachers the opportunity to help increase the confidence of their students as they prepare for the upcoming writing assessment.



KES Family Literature Night March 5, 2015 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Enjoy great tales from around the world in celebration of **World Read Aloud Day**.

5:30 - 6:00: Mellow Mushroom Pizza and assorted soft drinks will be available in the cafeteria \$1.00 for a slice of pizza and \$.50 for a soft drink or bottled water

6:00 until 7:00: Tales will begin in assigned areas

5:00 PM until 8:00 PM: The Book Fair will be open in the media center Please join us for a fun family evening! Reservations were due on Friday, February 27th.

We Appreciate Our Bus Drivers

The bus drivers in our school district are responsible for transporting the most precious of cargo. To show our appreciation, Christie Carrera and Jane Wood, have joined forces to shower the drivers with a special treat once a month. This



month, each driver was delivered a mini Mardi Gras King Cake.

Dear Ketterlinus Family and Friends -

Today we say "Congratulations", "A job well done", "Thank you" and "Best Wishes", to Mr. Rick Whittington, our Maintenance Coordinator. Mr. Rick, as we all call him, has worked at Ketterlinus for 24 years. He first started working here in 1991 when Ketterlinus was remodeled as an elementary school. We have so many stories of "Mr. Rick" that will make us laugh and ,at times, cry. He is man of great character with an equal work ethic. We will miss Mr. Rick and his "Rick -isms" – those funny statements that make you bust out with a laugh. Mr. Rick is the proud husband to Linda Whittington, and father to Brad Whittington, a US Navy fighter pilot. Rick Whittington will enjoy his retirement hunting deer and turkey, and spending quality time with his family,

including two grandchildren in Virginia. Although we are so happy for him to begin the next chapter of life, we are sad to see this true southern gentleman leave our school. If only these walls could talk...Have a wonderful weekend.



Kathy Tucker, principal

IMPORTANT CHANGE

Please check the Master Calendar for the 2015/2016 school year!! School starts early!! All students will be expected to be in attendance on August 10th. Absences will not be excused. You can view the Master Calendar on the school district website.

Exceptional Student Education(ESE) Parent Survey

The 2014-15 ESE Parent Survey will be open from February 1 to May 31, 2015. We strongly encourage parents to go online to take the survey. The survey can be accessed at http://www.esesurvey.com.

If you would like a paper copy, please send a written request to the front office.

Attention ALL Out of Zone Students

The window is now open to reapply for a hardship waiver for the 2015/2016 school year. **ANY** student who is attending Ketterlinus that does NOT reside in the Ketterlinus school zone must apply each year for hardship approval. The deadline to apply is April 30, 2015. Please visit <u>http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/depts/</u> <u>schoolserv/transfers</u> to complete the on-line application. The application only takes a few minutes to complete, so please do not delay.

PSA VIDEO CREATION

Trey Walsh, Rebecca Billette and Marquice King, led by third-grade teacher Amanda Strange, placed second statewide among elementary schools in the 7th annual "Celebrate Literacy Week", Florida! public service announcement contest. The video was a fictional "Where are they now?" newscast after a literary race between the Tortoise and the Hare. To compete, students had to make a 26-second video showcasing this year's theme:

"Reading Accelerates Success." Winners were chosen at elementary, middle and high school levels, with the winning schools awarded prizes sponsored by the Florida Education Foundation – \$1,000 for first place, \$500 for second place, and \$250 for third place.

~ Things to Remember *~*

03/05KES Family Literature Night 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.03/12Spirit Night at Chick-Fil-A03/13Planning Day /No School for Students03/16-03/20 Spring Break

***Continue to clip and save Box Tops For Education



Thank you for helping our first grade students to make a difference for local dogs at Ayla's Acres. The table was overflowing with donated bags and cans of dog food that will be donated to this local organization.



WHAT GREAT CHARACTER YOU HAVE !!!

Thank you to those who attended Spirit Night at Dairy Queen. KES packed the house! The patience shown, the courtesy displayed and the friendships celebrated was noticed by many. It is such a pleasure to hear compliments about our KES community.

Thank you for showing others the Dolphin way!



FSA Parent Night

Parents who attended the recent FSA parent night left with important knowledge regarding the new state mandated testing.

Here is the link of the presentation for you to view:

http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/parents/fsa.

AVID SHOWCASE FOR KES PARENTS

Do you often wonder what AVID really means? Do you want to learn of ways to help your child succeed in their education using the AVID approach? If so, please consider attending the AVID Showcase on March 11, 2015, beginning at 9:00 a.m. We will meet in the Science Lab, then share with you why we have adopted the AVID way of learning, how this differs from other methods of teaching, and how you can help your child succeed. We have 20 spots available for parents who are interested in learning more about AVID and to see, first hand, what an AVID classroom looks like. Please go to the following link to register:

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/70A0C49AFAF2B0-avid/

PLEASE HELP

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS to be proctors for the upcoming state mandated test. PLEASE click the following link to sign up to volunteer: http://www.signupgenius.com/

go/70a0c49afaf2b0-calling

BOOK FAIR VOLUNTEERS are needed to assist our students with their book fair selection. Please click the following link to sign up to vol-

unteer: www.SignUpGenius.com/ go/70A0C49AFAF2B0-spring1/

Kindergarten Registration Dates for 2015/2016

It's time to register your 5 year old for Kindergarten! Children must be 5 years old on or before September 1st in order to register. You must reside in the Ketterlinus school zone. Please note, you cannot register your child without ALL of the following documents:

- Child's Certified Birth Certificate
- Current Immunization Record

Current Physical (dated within one year)
Parent ID (Parent must be listed on the Birth Certificate)
<u>THREE</u> (3) Proofs of Residency which include:

One of the following: Lease, Mortgage statement, Deed or Proof of Homestead Exemption <u>AND two (2)</u> of the following utility bills (Electric, Cable, Water, Home Phone, etc.)

Registration will be held ONLY on the following dates in the KES front office:

Wednesday, February	4, 2015
Thursday, March 12,	2015
Wednesday, April 15,	2015
Friday, May 8, 2015	

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

We look forward to meeting your child and your family! For more information regarding registration, please email Ms. Gwaltney at Stacey.gwaltney@stjohns.k12.fl.us.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Spring Scholastic Book Fair, sponsored by our PTO, will be at Ketterlinus Elementary School from

Thursday, March 5 through Wednesday, March 11, 2015. The book fair will be held in our Media Center each day from 8:30 AM until 3:30 PM and on Thursday evening (March 5th) for the KES Family Literature Night from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Your child will be visiting the book fair with his/her class to preview the wonderful selection of books, posters, and pencils.

