

Celebrate Bullying Prevention, Drug Awareness and Character Counts!

Dear Students and Families –

During the week of October 24th to October 28th, our students celebrated Red Ribbon Day, Bullying Prevention Month, and Character Counts. Each day, they showed their support by participating in the following events:

Monday, October 24th – **Rally in Red Against Bullying and Drugs** – Students wore something red

Tuesday, October 25th – **Today We Make Choices for a Bright Future** – Students wore something neon colored

Wednesday, October 26th – **Stomp Out Bullying and Drugs** – Students wore mismatched or crazy socks

Principal's Corner

Dear Ketterlinus Family and Friends –

I'm so excited for the fall weather! October was an eventful month with Hurricane Matthew directly impacting our community. I'm originally from Atlantic Beach, just a few miles north of St. Augustine, and never in my life have I experienced a storm such as Hurricane Matthew. I've been through many powerful northeasters, tropical storms, and hurricanes off the coast, but this storm proved to us that we don't mess with Mother Nature.

I was very happy to hear that everyone was safe and sound. The school experienced minimal damage. However, the KES Gym had severe flooding and will be undergoing repairs. Despite that, I consider ourselves very lucky.

Many of our families experienced flooding and a few will not be able to return to their homes for weeks, if not, for several months. What came out of this storm was how strong and caring our community is. Our children are blessed to see our adults show such character of caring and responsibility. In today's world, news and media do not exactly demonstrate the best. I hope you are/were able to take some time to talk to your child about "commUNITY" and how to show good character despite adversity. Some of their classmates will continue to experience adversity as homes become temporary housing or while living with friends/relatives. Our district's student service department personally called each of our families to see what support was needed. Several outside agencies stepped in to help families with clothing and food. Several faith-based organizations offered assistance in cleaning up. Our faith-based partner, Coquina Community Church, organized a clean-up of Ketterlinus prior to students returning. Our district's transportation department ensured that displaced students could still attend Ketterlinus by providing pickups from their temporary housing. Thank you, to the many parents who offered support. This allowed our staff to focus on our children's social and emotional well-being. Thank you!!

I would like to personally invite you to attend one of our PTO and/or School Advisory Council meetings to provide feedback on school improvements. These two groups provide support and direction to our school and assist in making important decisions about our school. We welcome your input, ideas, and/or concerns.

Looking forward to a wonderful month of November!

Kathy Tucker, Principal

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Thursday, October 27th – **Team Up Against Bullying and Drugs** – Students wore their favorite team shirt/ jersey

Friday, October 28th – **Pledge Day** – Students wore their KES shirt

Also, Flagler College and Mental Health America presented, **STOP Bullying Now!** in classrooms during the week. Please ask your child to share with you what they learned.

We look forward to seeing all of our students Stand Up, Stomp Out and Let their Character Shine!

Want a Parents' Night Out?

Here are a little tidbits on the happenings in The Cove...We are planning to have our first Parents' Night Out on December 16th. Our Parents' Night out gives parents an opportunity to have a kid free evening with the comfort of knowing that their children are in a safe and fun environment. It also allows the children a parent free evening filled with fun!!! More information soon to come!

We would also like to welcome two new staff to our Cove Family... Mr. Joey and Mrs. Ernestine (AKA Mrs. E). Mrs. E and Mr. Joey have blended perfectly with our team. Remember, as always, if you have any questions or concerns about The Cove please do not hesitate to contact me at 547-8971.

Thank you for trusting us with your children.

Janet C. Bryant

The book fair is coming! The book fair is coming!

Monday, November 7th - Thursday, November 10th. Open daily to students & families 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. in our media center

Extended Hours on Thursday 8:30 a.m - 6:30 p.m. for PTO's Movie Night!

All students who visit the book fair on Thursday, 3:30-6:30, can enter to win a reading prize!

We invite you to visit our book fair and be a part of this celebration of reading! The Scholastic book fair provides opportunities of reading pleasure to all, choice to children, reading involvement to families & fundraising for our school. We'll see YOU at the book fair! Until then, keep on reading... ☺

Volunteers are still needed to assist our shoppers in finding the perfect book. Please go to the following link to select the day and time most convenient for you:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c49afaf2b0-scholastic1>

Important Dates at Ketterlinus

November 1st Spirit Night at Zaxby's 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

November 4th Character Counts! Celebration 8:45 a.m. for Fairness

November 4th Character Counts! Celebration 9:35 a.m. for Responsibility

November 7th to 10th Scholastic Book Fair in the Media Center

November 9th Picture Retakes

November 10th Family Movie Night 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

November 11th Veteran's Day - No School for Staff and Students

November 14th PTO Meeting at 7:45 a.m.

November 23rd to 25th Thanksgiving Break
No School for Staff and Students

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (P.E.)

Physical Education (P.E.) what is it? By definition it is the instruction in physical exercise and games.

The GYM (if your school is lucky to have one) is where P.E. is taught.

At Ketterlinus your child isn't just running around chasing each other. Students learn about locomotor skills. Loco what? Locomotor is how you get from one place to another. A locomotor skill can be walking, running, jogging, sliding, skipping, hopping, galloping, and leaping. Students learn about offense and defense, safe tagging and using the equipment safely. Students learn about proper nutrition, correct serving sizes, calorie intake and how to read labels to see what they are eating. Students learn how to keep their hearts healthy and how important it is to stay active in school as well as at home.

Students will learn the importance of teamwork (working cooperatively together) and sportsmanship. In any sport or game, students will understand that someone has to lose. You have to learn how to be a gracious winner as well as gracious loser. Team work and sportsmanship are a part of everyone's life. Students will learn these things do not stop once you are out of school, but become a part of your everyday lifestyle.

Safety is also KEY in PE. Wearing the proper shoes (tennis shoes), NO Dangling Jewelry (earrings, bracelets, and necklaces), and hair must be pulled out of your face. If I can't see your face, then you can't see if someone or something is coming your way. Whether you are looking down, waiting to catch an object, throwing a ball or tracking (watching) an object, you need to see what's about to happen.

Physical Education (PE) is not meant to be just fun. It is also meant to be a learning experience and a foundation. You learn about your body, working with others and staying FIT!!



What does AVID look like at KES?

By: Sue Brush

KES is proud to be an AVID Elementary School. AVID stands for advancement via individual determination. Staff members attend rigorous training, and we work hard to implement AVID consistently throughout our school. AVID Elementary creates a vision of academic success and students are motivated to excel.

We help all students achieve and begin to prepare for college. Yes, college! You will see college pennants and diplomas proudly posted and discussed so that our students may begin to set their sights on college as a future goal!

AVID Elementary classrooms encourage WICOR:

- Writing to learn – We write every day in many ways!
- Inquiry method – Levels of thinking are taught!
- Collaboration - Building a community with open communication is a priority. We explicitly teach kids how to effectively collaborate while learning.
- Organization- All grades set up structures to keep our students organized. We use organizational tools (OT), agendas/planners for accountability, communication, and responsibility. Note-taking strategies (STAR) are also taught.
- Reading to learn- Effective reading strategies for comprehension are taught across all grade levels.

Ask your child about AVID today!

Want to Learn to Play Golf?

The First Tee of North Florida will be starting a 4-week On-Site After-School Program, on Thursday November 10th, 2016. The After-School Program will take place on Francis Field promptly at 3 PM, following the final bell. Participants will learn golf skills including Putting, Chipping, Pitching and Full-Swing. Participants will also be introduced to The First Tee Nine Core Values and Life-Skills. The cost of the program will be a one-time payment of \$25 per participant for the whole 4-week program. Registration forms can be found at the front desk at Ketterlinus Elementary. For questions or concerns please contact: Andrew Lipnick, Outreach Coordinator, by phone (904) 586-4854 or email: andrew@thefirstteenorthflorida.org.

Mark Your Calendars

PTO is looking for any businesses that would like to help offset the cost of our fall movie night. We can put your name and logo on a sign the night of the event. Just contact Jenny at janick4@yahoo.com, if you are interested!

SQUARE ONE ART – Be on the lookout for your child's art... they get to keep it on 20 large stickers now! Isn't that smart?? PTO's Square One Art student artwork has been submitted and all orders will be back before the winter break. We always need gifts for family and friends, not to mention great keepsakes where memories never end. Catalogs and order forms will be sent home the first part of November.

FALL MOVIE NIGHT – Thursday, November 10th, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. is PTO's Fall Movie Night on Francis Field. The evening will involve dinner, treats, and a movie shown on a giant screen. There will also be some fun surprises. We will pre-order/sell pizza from Mellow Mushroom. This will be a fun evening and a chance for our KES families to enjoy each other's company. We are in need of volunteers so please consider helping us. You can go to the following link to sign up for the time most convenient for you: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050c4eadac2b0-fall1>

SPIRIT WEAR – With the cooler weather approaching, our PTO Spirit Wear (including sweatshirts) is sold throughout the year. The order form can be found on the website and on the KES app.

SAVE THE DATE

11/1 - Spirit Night at Zaxby's (5:00-8:00pm)

11/10 - FALL MOVIE NIGHT on Francis Field (5:00-8:00pm)

12/12 - PTO Meeting at 7:45 a.m. in the Media Center

RUN4THEJACKETS

Word on the street is we.....Ketterlinus Elementary, has already challenged all the schools in the area that we will have the most participants wearing blue KES shirts while running/walking this fun race!!! Please help us show the community that we have the most school spirit while supporting athletics at our feeder school. Please note that this event is for walkers AND runners and starts on Main Street in Vilano Beach at 8am on November 19th. This race is 4 miles and you get an awesome long sleeved shirt for registering by November 11th. Please let Michelle Moore (michelle.moore@stjohns.k12.fl.us) know that you register so that we can keep track of the number of our KES participants. <http://run4thejackets.itsyourrace.com>

- Entry Fee: \$25 until Nov. 11, 2016, at midnight and includes a LONG SLEEVE Shirt. \$30 Until Nov 18, 2016 at 9 am when online registration closes. \$35 on Race Day. Registrations after Nov. 11th are not guaranteed a shirt. Register early!