

Bus Transportation Changes

The St. Johns County School District Transportation is going to a No Courtesy Riders system for next school year. This would entail a more rigid online process for parents and guardians wishing to change their child's transportation schedule. This will help to eliminate the practice of frequent last minute changes and help make our kids and our buses safer. More information will be available on the school district website.

Ketterlinus Art Night

Ketterlinus artists displayed their masterpieces during our annual Art Show this month. The beautiful works of art covered the walls turning our school into an art gallery filled with treasured pieces of art. Our students were proud to show off their artistic abilities. Congratulations, Mr. Lewis, for instilling a love of art in our students.



A Morning with Mom

Thank you for joining us for our Morning with Mom event. We hope that you enjoyed this special time with your child and their friends. It was wonderful to see so many moms and children smiling, laughing, and enjoying great conversation.



“Girls on the Run” ANOTHER GREAT SEASON!

“Girls On The Run” returned to KES this spring for another great season. Our team was comprised of ten girls in grades 3rd – 5th and four KES staff members who served as coaches. We practiced twice a week and finished our season with a 5K and celebration at UNF on April 29. We are looking forward to a fun fall season.

If you are interested in joining the team or would like to coach, please email **Sandy Wallace** at sandra.wallace@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

“Girls on the Run” will provide all necessary training.



KETTERLINUS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Where we learn, love, and laugh.

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Principal's Corner

Dear KES Family & Friends –

Thank you for a wonderful and successful school year. By far, this has been one of the best student bodies. They are great examples of what a child should be – raised with great character. Overall, they are the kindest and most caring group of students. I will truly miss our fifth grade students as they have been wonderful leaders to our younger students.

As we plan for next school year, I will need your assistance. We are adding more students to our school from an area previously zoned for Palencia. Our school district is continuing to experience growth in all schools. Our school will be very limited on space. As a result, early enrollment is necessary. If you see any neighbors or friends that have new students to the school district, please encourage them to **enroll NOW**. This will allow us to hire the required staff early and prevent class changes. I cannot stress this enough. Early registration for new students is very important.

As mentioned, classroom space will be limited. I have asked teachers to cut back on the typical supplies they request at the beginning of the year. Although the supplies are needed during the year, we cannot provide storage for them. Instead, I encourage the donation of \$5.00 gift cards so that teachers can buy the supplies as they run out versus storing them in the classroom. Please check individual supply lists for details and optional donation of gift cards. With increased enrollment, we will need the space in the classroom for small groups or one on one instruction. This will allow support staff to “push in” the classroom or planning room to assist students instead out of pulling them out of the class. We are utilizing every space within our school for classrooms next school year.

Over the summer, we will be upgrading several parts of the school – from school security cameras and monitors, landscaping, fencing, playground and front entrance area. In addition to those upgrades, we will be adding more technology at our school. A HUGE THANK YOU to our PTO for raising enough funds to purchase (80) laptops and other technology supplies. This will have a huge impact! We will also be purchasing mobile carts, interactive panels, and web-based software.

As we begin the planning for next school year, I encourage your child to **READ! READ! READ!** and to write in a journal daily. Also, please review the 17-18 Master Calendar to plan your vacations. School begins on August 10th!

Have a wonderful summer with your child(ren),

Kathy Tucker

Dear Volunteers:

Thank you so much for the gift of time that you gave so unselfishly to us this year. We hope that you know how much we appreciate all that you do for us. We look forward to you joining us again next year as your children create wonderful memories. Please remember that your School Access form expires every three years. If you are not sure if your application has expired, please submit a new one so that there will not be a lapse in approval. Also, remind your family members and friends to submit a School Access form if they think they might be joining you at any of the school performances, special events, or have any other reason to enter the school. The Grandparent's Day event will be in September so remind grandparents to complete their forms now. Have a wonderful summer filled with fun and adventure with your children.

Thank you!

Michelle Moore
Volunteer Coordinator



News from the Cove

Greetings KES families: I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the phenomenal year we have had at The Cove. I would also like to thank you for trusting us with your prized possessions...your children. We are already gearing up for 2017-18 school year!

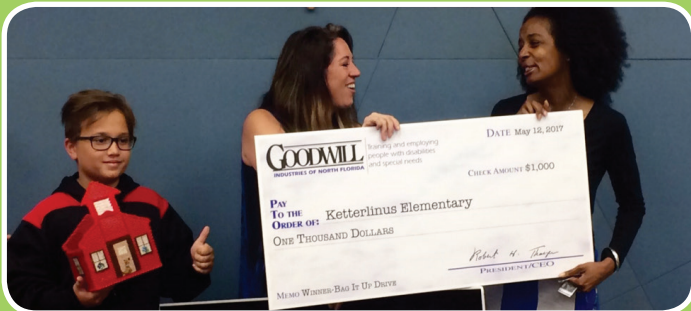
Don't forget to take advantage of the incentives the Cove will be offering for this upcoming school year. **Registration fees, paid on or before June 30th, are \$25. After June 30th, the fee will increase to \$50.** These fees will be waived for students if the 1st Cove payment is made by May 24th.

As a reminder, Cove services are paid one month in advance beginning July 15th. School consists of 180 days. To make a convenient payment schedule we divide the full amount of those 180 days into 10 payments (20 bi-monthly payments).

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call Janet Bryant, Extended Day Coordinator, at 547-8971.

Goodwill Bag It Up was a GREAT SUCCESS!

Thanks to K-Kids for organizing our Goodwill donation drive this year. Through their hard work and YOUR donations, not only did we help our community, KES also received \$1,000, a new computer, and MANY awesome classroom & individual prizes! Congratulations to our winners: Ana Capeci, Grace Marema, Wilder Naughton, Clara Huerbsch & Mia Snyder! Scarlett Slaughter's donation won a nacho party for her entire class!



Summer Box Top Collection Sheets

We have received over \$1900.00 from the Box Top Collection program this school year!!! Thank you for shopping for the participating products and for helping your child cut and paste the Box Top coupons. A HUGE "Thank you" goes to Amy Sweeney for counting every Box Top turned in to our school. We recognize the countless hours that she has donated and truly appreciate her time. A summer collection sheet was sent home with your child this week. We would love to begin the school year with a box full of Box Tops.

For a complete list of participating products, go to: <http://www.boxtops4education.com/earn/participating-products>.

Reading Role Model

Recently second grader, Navi Dalton, met his yearlong reading goal and was rewarded with a lunch with his role model and former quarterback of the FAMU football team, Carson Royal. Carson played for FAMU for 5 years and was starting quarterback his senior year. He graduated in December 2016. Carson grew up in St. Augustine, and took time to share the important message of the importance of reading. He also explained how hard work and discipline help you achieve your goals.



Does your Child Have Medication in the Clinic?

As we near the end of the school year, I would like to remind you that your child's medication should be picked up from the clinic by **6pm on May 24th 2017**. School policy does not allow medication to remain in the school over the summer. It will be important for you to pick up your child's medication since medications may not go home with the student. Any medication left in the clinic after May 24th 2017 will be discarded according to policy.

As you know, medication orders must be completed every school year whether your child remains in the same school or goes to another. If your child has a physical examination during the summer months, this is a good time to get the medication forms completed.

For your convenience, the clinic will be open beginning **August 7th, 2017** to accept your child's medication and completed medication forms. If you have any questions, please contact the school clinic at **547-8552**. Have a safe and healthy summer!

T. Slaughter, LPN
School Nurse

FOOD THAT IS IN WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT!

Any Student who is 18 years of age or younger may receive free, nutritious meals at KETTERLINUS GYM or SOLOMON CALHOUN CENTER June 5th-July 21st. Please call 904-547-8932 to inquire about the serving times or any additional locations.



Lunch Accounts

If your child's lunch account has a balance due, please send in full payment. All accounts are now due. All credit and balances owed will be rolled to the next school year. If you have any questions, please contact **John Harpst at (904) 547-8551**.

Making Vacation Plans?

When making your vacation plans, please keep in mind that the first day of school for students will be **August 10th, 2017**. We will not be able to approve absences that are due to vacations. Please make every effort to have your children present the first day of school so that they can be a part of the first day of school excitement and introductions.

News from the Media Center

Our Summer Reading Challenge will be sent home in report cards for students in grades K-4! For those that complete the whole challenge, we'll celebrate in August with a BINGO party! AR quizzes can be taken at any public library from 5/25/2017-6/30-2017, M-F, 8:00-3:00. If your student has any trouble logging on, or needs to quiz after 6/30/2017, they must wait until the school year begins to take the quiz.



Congrats to our SSYRA Battle of the Books team: Sofia Carrera, Ana Capeci, Lilla Dexheimer, Mia Snyder, Amelie Thompson, Alyssa Troino, Olivia Widerstedt for their dedication & teamwork!

It's been a pleasure working with your children this year. I can't wait for more reading fun to begin in August!

Erin Snyder, Media Specialist