



Wear your Words!

On the first Friday of every month, the KES staff will wear “their words”. We will be wearing t-shirts with words of encouragement, inspiration, and positivity. What a great way to inspire each other!! What will your child’s words be? Ms. Carden poses with her “Put on your Positive Pants” shirt that she work last month. The next Wear Your Words T-shirt Day will be **Friday, November 3rd**.



Join us on

Thursday, November 9th @ 6:00 p.m.

for the first class in our Parenting Enrichment Series Amanda Bergamasco and Kim Dixon, from the St. Johns County School District, will be presenting “AVID in our Schools”.

This class will include information all about AVID; how our students utilize a growth mindset to create and achieve their goals, how we incorporate WICOR into our learning, and why the road to COLLEGE starts in kindergarten. ALL parents are encouraged to attend, especially parents that are new to Ketterlinus. Invitations were sent home on October 20th. Please **RSVP by November 3rd**.

Celebrating City Government Week

The City of St. Augustine participated in a statewide celebration of City Government Week that is sponsored by the Florida League of Cities, from October 23-29, 2017. Fire Chief Carlos Aviles and Officer Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance and met students before school. Students proudly wore badges and stickers that were given to them. Thank you, Chief Aviles and Community Affairs Officer Delarn “Dee” Brown, for visiting our school.



Show Our Community Your Support

On **November 4th, at 9:00 a.m.** there will be a walk to bring awareness to ALS, a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord. A former teacher in our school district lost her battle with ALS in 2014. The walk will begin in the Ripley’s parking lot, then travel down the Bayfront, circles the Plaza, then returns to Ripley’s via St. George Street. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. There is free BBQ and ice cream to all event volunteers and walkers. If you cannot walk, but want to show your support, please join other volunteers along the route to cheer on the walkers. They are looking for cheerleaders, singers, and musicians to add entertainment along the route.

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Principal’s Corner

Dear KES Family & Friends –

Fall is in the air! This is my favorite season. Our community has many events planned during this time of year. We hope you can participate with your child in as many of them as you can. We are very blessed to live in this wonderful city!

Our PTO has been very busy in planning a series of events that will support our STEAM initiative at Ketterlinus. STEAM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics. PTO has a goal of raising \$12,000 towards this initiative. The events range from our Xaxby’s Spirit Night (Nov. 7th), Book Fair, Collaborative District event (Nov. 11th), to Family STEAM Night (Nov. 16th). We hope that you can join us as we join together to increase our resources towards STEAM.

As mentioned, we are entering a busy time of the year in our community. To assist us, please utilize your CAR TAG when you come to the school during the day. Please keep your CAR TAG on your dashboard or rear view mirror so that we know you are parking for school or district business. Our parking lot is starting to become busier as visitors utilize our parking lot for sightseeing. This seems to increase with the Nights of Lights during the late afternoon. We love our visitors but we must ensure that we can provide parking for our school and district staff. Please note your CAR TAG is only for school business, Monday – Friday.

Congratulations to our wonderful staff and volunteers of the year. They represent us very well.

- Kora Stoll – Teacher of the Year
- McKinley Carden – Rookie Teacher of the Year
- Tristan Williams-Ash – Youth Volunteer of the Year
- Christie Carrera – Adult Volunteer of the Year
- Barbara Mainville – Senior Volunteer of the Year

Attendance is crucial for your child’s learning. We will be making up two of the five days missed due to the hurricane. On top of that, many people are not aware that recent legislation requires us to have physical education class every day for 30 minutes and recess for 20 minutes. Although we have always had recess daily, this does commit us to 50 minutes of physical activity and hold us accountable for the same state standards with less instructional time.

Three things that are very important to ensure we maximize our instructional time and ensure the state accountability of recess/physical education:

- *Ensure your child comes to school every day and on time.
- *Make sure your child is wearing sneakers and socks every day.
- *Schedule doctor’s appointment and vacations around your child’s school schedule.

I appreciate your support and time in helping us at KES. Our community is one of the very best.

Kathy Tucker

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Principal

Important Dates at Ketterlinus

- 11/3 *Character Counts Celebration! @ 8:45 a.m.*
- 11/3 *Wear Your Words T-shirt Day*
- 11/7 *Xaxby’s Spirit Night 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.*
- 11/9 *AVID Parent Night from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.*
- 11/11 *Adult Only Event at Collaborative District for STEAM fundraiser*
- 11/13 *Book Fair Opens*
- 11/13 *PTO Meeting @ 7:45 a.m.*
- 11/16 *Family STEAM night/Interims Issued*
- 11/17 *Grandparent Breakfast 7:30 a.m. RSVP and School Access Required*
- 11/22/23/24 *Thanksgiving Break*
- 11/28 *SAC Meeting @ 7:45 a.m.*
- 11/30 *Picture Retakes*

Something to Think About

Please read with your child

Have you ever heard former President John F. Kennedy's famous words? "Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for our country?"

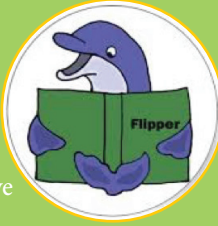
Here is the question of the day: Are you giving to the world, the country, your school, and community? On the other hand, do you have a case of the "Gimmes"? It is important to balance receiving with giving. This is the season to reach out to others. Perhaps participate in a Food Drive, help an elderly neighbor, and reach out to grandparents with a sweet letter or picture. Listen to the words of this proverb: Who asks at once for much, returns home with an empty bag?"

Will your bag be empty or will it be full?

Literacy Learning for Kids

I hope that you are settling into your reading routines at home. As we move into the second quarter of the school year, keep the positive momentum going. Stay involved. Make reading a part of your daily life, and kids will learn to love it. They will look forward to spending time with you. If you have not already had an intake conference with your child's teacher, contact the teacher to set it up. Our teachers will share your child's beginning of the year data with you. You will get information such as results of:

- the first iReady Reading and Math diagnostic assessments
- DRA (Diagnostic Reading Assessment)
- STAR Reading and/or STAR Math
- Class grades
- How your child is progressing on first quarter standards
- Information about your child's work habits, social and emotional well-being at school



Art at Ketterlinus

The second session of the Ketterlinus Art Club, ART We Awesome, is open to second and third grade students of Ketterlinus Elementary School. Registration begins on October 30 and will continue through November 13. The first class of session two will begin Monday, November 13. We will meet on Mondays between 3:15 – 4:15 p.m. This session will be 6 weeks and the cost is \$60. Payments will be used for supplies. Any remaining funds will be donated to the Art program.

Make checks payable to: KES Art Club.

Students must be in good academic standing with good attendance. Students will need to provide their own transportation or be able to attend the Cove or Rec Department.

The ART CLUB will teach your child how to sew a cute monster!

I look forward to working with your child this year! If I can be of any help, please do not hesitate to call me at school at (904) 547-8540 or email me at curtis.lewis@stjohns.k12.fl.us.



PTO HAPPENINGS

STEAM Initiative:

Our goal is to raise \$12,000 (\$2,000 per grade level) for KES STEAM programs. Kick off ADULTS ONLY event is on Saturday November 11th at the Collaborative District. Tickets are limited and will be sold the first part of November. STEAM Family Night will be on Thursday, November 16th, from 5-8:00pm (in coordination with the book fair). Sponsorships and silent auction items are requested. Stay tuned for details and opportunities to volunteer.

Square One Art:

Order forms were sent home on October 23rd. All orders are due back by Tuesday, November 7th. Anything ordered will arrive at school before winter break. These make great gifts for family and friends, not to mention keepsakes where memories never end!

Dates to Remember:

- 11/7 Zaxbys spirit night 5-8:00pm
- 11/11 ADULTS ONLY STEAM Fundraiser at Collaborative District
- 11/13 PTO Meeting 7:45am
- 11/16 STEAM Fall Family Night
- 12/4 PTO Meeting 7:45am

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Questions, complaints or requests for additional information regarding discrimination or harassment may be sent to: Human Resources, 40 Orange Street, St. Augustine, FL 32084. Phone number: 904-547-7601.

2017-2018 Instructional Materials Adoption-Science

The St. Johns County School District curriculum department representatives and adoption committee members are currently conducting the review process for the 2017-2018 Instructional Materials Adoption for Science. The materials listed in the chart below are available for review by our teachers and the public. The core resources that have been submitted for evaluation have come from the state adoption consideration lists. AP materials that will be reviewed are from College Board recommended materials.

Some print materials may be available for review. If you would like access to the available printed materials or require assistance reviewing the online resources, please call the Instructional Resources and Media Services office at 904.547.3947. Materials are available for review from 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM when district offices are open.

News from Media Center

Scholastic Book Fair:

Students are getting excited... the *Scholastic Book Fair* is coming, **November 13-17!** Thanks to all who volunteered to help run the fair. Student flyers will be coming home - be sure to check when your student's shopping day is & feel free to join them if you can!

***Please keep in mind that approved School Access is required for adults to be able to enter the school.*

The Book Fair will be open during our Family Night on Thursday, November 16, ALL day until 8:00 pm. The Book Fair will also be open during our special Grandparent's Breakfast on Friday, November 17, from 7:30-9:00. Encourage your student's grandparents to come join in the fun! RSVP forms for that event are due **no later than November 10th.**

Congratulations to Ana Capeci & Kaden Babbitt for reading ALL 15 of the 3rd-5th grade 2017-2018 SSYRA books! Brag Tags for each book can be collected from the Media Center every Wednesday.



For K-Kids:

This month, our K-Kids community service group will be organizing our annual food drive. Please send in your food donations any time the week of November 13-17! K-Kids will create bags of meals for families in need right here in our school district. Items should be canned, boxed, or in plastic packaging - please do not send glass items! Thanks for supporting our community & our K-Kids!

Pre-K & Kindergarten- Vegetables

1st- Fruits & Desserts

2nd- Boxed Potatoes & Canned Gravy

3rd- Soups & Stuffing

4th- Pasta & Sauce

5th- Drinks (coffee, tea, juice/juice boxes)

**items can be brought during the Family Night on 11/16 as well!*