Character Counts!

AT KETTERLINUS



Don't Miss Out on the Memories

Pre-Order Your 2017/2018 Yearbook!! Order forms for our 2017/2018 Ketterlinus full-color yearbooks have been sent home with your child. The cost for each yearbook is \$25.00 until March 1st. After that date, the price will increase to \$30.00 per book. The KES yearbook will be jammed packed with fun photos of special times that were created this school year!! Please note: At this time, all payments must be made payable to "Leonard's" NOT to Ketterlinus. Checks can be sent in with your child, but please remember to make it payable to "Leonard's". Only a small number of yearbooks have been ordered so place your order early! If ordering online, go to www.leonards.com/yearbooks, then enter the access code: C421026.

100 Days of School

Yes...we have been in school for 100 days!! Our kindergarteners had fun dressing up as if they were 100 years old. Powder in their hair, bow ties on their shirts, pocket watches dangling from their waists were just a few of the things that brought many smiles to those who had the chance to meet these centennial kindergarteners.





Got "junk"? We will take it! K-Kids are running the Goodwill Drive again this year and will be collecting items on **Friday, April 20th.** We wanted to give you a heads up in case you do any spring-cleaning and can save your gently used clothing and household items for KES. We will remind you when the date is closer!

First Grade Traveling Abroad

from Sara Gaudino

I am in the beginning stages of rolling out google expeditions into my classroom! If you have not checked it out yet, you should! Technology is AMAZING! This app will allow me to take my students to all corners of the world. Last night I went to Mt. Everest while sitting in my living room! I can plan field trips to hit almost every standard that we have AND the program includes children from ages 7-18 so anyone at school can use them! I promise to share with other teachers who are interested! I need your help though! I am looking for smart devices that are at least 6 inches either that are wiped clean and back to factory settings or that can easily be reset. I do not mind doing it here! If you have any iPhone or Android devices that are taking up space in your junk drawers at home, I would LOVE to take them off of your hands! You can email me at sara.gaudino@stjohns.k12.fl.us. Thank you so much!

Check out the link to learn more: https://edu.google.com/expeditions/#header

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Principal's Corner

Dear KES Family and Friends -

Brrrrrr! I think I am ready for some warmer weather. Our students have done a great job in keeping up with their jackets, mittens and hats. A huge thank you for writing your child's name in their jackets. This has been a huge help and has kept our lost and found down to a minimum.

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, this is the time of the year where we are deep in teaching and learning. I appreciate the support parents have given us in ensuring their child is at school daily and on time. However, the flu bug has been running through the school and we understand if your child is home sick. Please take precautions with hand washing and do not send your child to school when they are sick.

State testing for students in 3rd, 4th and 5th grades is right around the corner. It is very important that you look at the Florida's Department of Education's website on Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). It provides practice tests for both parents and students. Many of the parents are surprised at the rigor of these tests. These tests are on-line at http://fsassessments.org . In addition, take a look at the website provided for additional practice tests that are "FSA-like" questions. If you have concerns or questions, I strongly encourage you to talk to your child's teacher. Our teachers have been preparing our students for this rigorous test. We appreciate your support.

On February 3rd, the Collaborative District is hosting a STEAM Night for parents. Tickets are available through Jenny Ranick by emailing her at jranick4@yahoo.com. Urban Asado will be grilling food for the event. This is going to be a fun and delicious event that benefits our school's STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) initiative

I am looking forward to seeing our TOTS – Teams of Tomorrow, perform at Flagler College on **Saturday, February 10th.** The public is encouraged to attend and stay for the Flagler basketball game afterwards. Did you know that St. Johns residents get free admission????

Morning with Mom is back! This popular event requires approved School Access. RSVP forms went home in January with a *deadline of February 7th*. We cannot accept RSVPs after the 7th.

Also, the Scholastic Book Fair is returning to Ketterlinus from $\bf February~26th~to~March~2nd.$

Exciting stuff is happening at Ketterlinus!

Sincerely,

Kathy Tucker; Principal

School-wide Service Project



First Grade is spearheading a KES community service project in February to benefit Ayla's Acres Pet Sanctuary. As a school, we would like to collect cat and dog food throughout the month of February. We will be collecting canned and bagged food. We feel that this project corresponds well with February's pillar of character, caring. Please help KES make a difference!

Important Dates at Ketterlinus

Character Counts Celebration	2/2
Wear Your Words T-shirt Day	2/2
Character Counts Palencia 6K/3K	2/3
STEAM Night for Adults at Urban Asado- Ticket required	2/3
Tijuana Flats Spirit Night	2/7
Interims Issued	2/9
AVID College T-shirt Day	2/9
TOT performs at Flagler College 1:30/4:30 p.m.	2/10
PTO Meeting at 7:45 a.m.	2/12
Morning with Mom 7:30 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. RSVP required	2/14
President's Day-NO SCHOOL	2/19
SAC Meeting at 7:45 a.m.	2/20
Scholastic Book Fair begins	2/26

FACILITATED IEP TRAINING FOR PARENTS

ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION WELCOMES

Florida Diagnostic Learning Resources Services (FDLRS)
And

North East Florida Educational Consortium (NEFEC)

<u>Topic:</u> Facilitated IEP Training for Parents

<u>Date/Time:</u> 1/16/18 from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

<u>Location:</u> Fullerwood Training Center –

10 Hildreth, St. Augustine, FL 32084

GOAL:

In an effort to provide parents of ESE students with training to increase their ability to actively participate and collaborate with a comprehensive school team, a facilitated IEP training for parents will be provided.

Literacy Week at Ketterlinus

We had a week filled with crazy socks, inspirational t-shirts, silly hats, and super hero costumes as we celebrated literacy at Ketterlinus Elementary School. It has been so fun watching our students get excited about literacy. Thank you for instilling a love of reading in your children.





Volunteers Needed

We are in need of proctors for FSA Writing on March 6th. Will you please help? Please click the following link to sign up. More testing dates will be announced soon. Thank you for helping us!

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c49afaf2b0-fsawriting.

Our Scholastic Book Fair is returning in February!! We will need many hands to make this a fun shopping experience for our students. If you are interested in helping, please email Michelle Moore at michelle.

moore@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

On May 11th, our students will be decorating Mother's Day Cakes. We will be in need of few extra hands to help our little decorators. If you are interested, please email Michelle Moore at michelle.moore@stjohns. k12.fl.us. Information on how to purchase these cakes for your child will go home soon.

Housekeeping

Early Checkout

We will not be able to allow checkout after 2:15 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. On Wednesday, checkout is not allowed after 1:15 p.m. We understand that there are emergencies that might arise and will make decisions based on each case; however, unless it is pre-arranged, early checkout after the above times is not allowed. This is not to inconvenience you, but to allow our front office staff to prepare for the dismissal of approximately 500 students.

Label items

Please remember to label your child's belongings. We have quite the collection of nice jackets, fancy lunch boxes, and other treasures in our Lost and Found. Due to sanitary reasons, these items must be removed from the school property at the end of each week. Please remind your child to check Lost and Found if they are missing anything.

Sign In/Sign Out

All adults entering the building must have APPROVED School Access. Each time you enter the school, please sign in as a Volunteer. Even if you are here to have lunch and not to volunteer, please sign in under the Volunteer tab. Please remember to sign out when you leave, then discard your yellow badge before leaving the building. Thank you for helping to keep our school grounds safe for our students.

Breakfast/Lunch Accounts

Please ensure that your student meal accounts are paid in full. Your support in keeping the meal accounts current is appreciated.

News from The Cove

The Cove will be offering . . .

Parent's Night Out on February 16th Single Day Camp on March 16th Spring Day Camp March 26th - 30th

We will celebrate all the holidays within that week of spring break. There will be fun activities such as crafts, games, organized sports, field trips, and more. More information coming soon. These offerings are contingent on enrollment. Email Janet Bryant, After-School Coordinator, for additional information about the available camps. Janet.bryant@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

CPR **W** TRAINING

Could you save a loved one's life?
On February 26th
From 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Lieutenant Patrick Naughton of the SJCFD will teach you how YOU Can save a life with lifesaving CPR and basic First Aid

Cost is \$40.00 for a two-year certification

Please RSVP by sending in the below form with a check made payable to Patrick Naughton by February 21st.

Please attach your check to the RSVP form or put in a sealed envelope

FREE Childcare provided for school-aged children.

CPR class will be held in the Music Room at KES.

RSVP for CPR Certification	
Name:,	
Email:	
Childcare: yes No, Ages of school-aged children,,	