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Character Counts! ATTICE HERIONUS

Fifth Grade Graduation

Our Fifth Graders will be graduating on Friday, May 24th at 9:00 a.m. in the KES gymnasium. ALL adults attending graduation must have approved School Access and RSVP for the event. Invitations and RSVP forms will be sent home this month. If you have family members that are planning on attending, please have them submit a School Access form NOW. The link to the form can be found on our school website. This is not meant to be an inconvenience but to continue to provide the safest school environment for our students. Thank you so much for your understanding.

Look what you have done for KES!!

With your support, our P.T.O. raised just under \$15,000 from Raise Craze!! Twenty-Five convertible notebook computers (\$8,000.00) were purchased for our students and \$14,000 will be going directly back in to the classrooms and resources for STEAM!! Water filter systems were also purchased for the water fountains throughout the school. These Bottle Filling Station delivers a clean quick water bottle fill and enhances sustainability by minimizing our dependency on disposable plastic bottles.

Every month, P.T.O. shows the KES staff how appreciated they are with tokens of appreciation. Muffins, notepads, sharpies, candy and many other treats are left for staff to find. They were surprised with breakfast from Metro Diner when they returned from Spring Break! What a great way to begin the day!

We want you to know that your attendance at PTO events and meetings help to make all of this possible. This is a team effort and we are so grateful that you are part of our team. We always welcome new members (there is no fee) and invite you to attend any of our monthly meetings.

Our Community Target Store Supports KES

Six members of our local Target store were guest readers for our VPK, Kindergarten, and First Grade students. Our students loved hearing a Dr. Seuss book read and enjoyed a visit from Bulls Eye, the Target dog. Thank you, Target, for encouraging our students to love reading.





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Important Dates at Ketterlinus

- 4/8 I-Ready Testing Begins
- **4/8** PTO Meeting @ 7:45 a.m.
- 4/9 Glow Party-Invitation Required
- 4/11 Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night
- 4/12Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast 8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.
- 4/19 No School for Staff/Students
- 4/23SAC Meeting @ 7:45 a.m.4/26ALL Library Books are Due

We Appreciate Our Volunteers

We appreciate our volunteers and want to show our gratitude! Please join us for a Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast in your honor on Friday, April 12th from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the Media Center. Our staff will be making their favorite recipes for you to enjoy. If you are able to join us, please RSVP to Michelle.Moore@stjohns.k12.fl.us..

Donuts with Dad

What a fun morning we had during our Donut with Dad event. Rain couldn't stop over 170 dads from enjoying this morning with their child. Thank you for joining us! "Thank you" goes to Mr. Lewis for painting the amazing sign for you to write your March Madness champion selection.



Student Safety

We have noticed an increase in students being dropped off down the street, around the corner, on side streets, and at other places other than the parent drop-off line. All parents must drive through the parent drop-off line to drop their child off during the time of 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m. This is for the safety of your child. Please remember that if you arrive in the parent drop-off line after 8:20 a.m., you must park and walk your child in to the front office. Thank you for helping us to keep your child safe and for assisting us in being good neighbors.

A Classroom Makeover

Thanks to Britne White and Crayola's Thank a Teacher contest, Mrs. Golz won a 10,000 classroom makeover. She purchased whiteboard tables and flexible seating stools in order to engage students in learning and create a welcoming, fun environment.





Cherish these school memories for a lifetime!

There is still time to order a school yearbook! The cost is \$30.

To order online, simply go to <u>www.leonards.com/yearbook</u> and Enter the code: *C449895*

To pay by cash, check, or money order, complete the order form envelope and return to your school. Make checks or money orders payable to: *Leonard's*

News from Nurse Tabitha

Parents... If your child has medication in the clinic you will soon be getting a letter from your nurse with next year's paperwork and the medication pick up instructions. Please remember to pick up your child's medication from the clinic on the last day of school. We will be in our clinics on Tuesday, May 28th until 11:00 am. At this time, all medication will be disposed of according to school district policy. If you have any questions, please contact Nurse Tabitha at (904)547-8552.

We have Baby Chickens!

Second grade was so excited to study the life cycle of plants and animals. We had the privilege of witnessing the live hatching of another seven stupendous chicks this year! We collaborated and came up with some very clever names. Please welcome Pikachu, Wyatt, Fluffy, Peanut, Nugget, Watzo, and Rocco. They will live happily ever after with Nurse Tabitha's family that cares for chickens.



Everyone can be Involved at KES!

Ketterlinus Elementary School encourages persons with disabilities to participate in all of the programs and activities scheduled at KES. If you anticipate needing any type of accommodation or have questions about the physical access provided, please call the front office in advance of your participation or visit.

News From the Media Center

AR Million Word Club- congratulations to new members, Sumkit Patel & Max Calvert! At the end of last school year, we had 37 students in our Million Word Club. Right now, we have 15- can we beat last year's record? Encourage your student to read and take AR quizzes!

A big "High Five" to our students in grades 3-5 who have read all 15 SSYRA books, tried out, and made the Battle of the Books team- Olivia Widerstedt, Hobbs Breidenstein, Scarlett Slaughter, Finn Dumas, Mabel Misterly, Connor Hinds, and Kaila Freeman! On April 30, the KES Battle Team will compete in a battle of the minds against other SJCSD schools!

Your voice counts! Grade 3-5 students who read 3 or more SSYRA books have the opportunity to vote for their favorite. Student's votes throughout Florida determine which book receives this year's award. St. Johns County Supervisor of Elections set up voting booths here at KES on April 3, 12:00-1:45 in the media center.

230 students in grades 1-5 made their 3rd quarter AR goals & enjoyed Game Time in the media center! Shout out to Olivia Widerstedt, Dylan Sanchez, and Adeline Jackson for reading the most words in 3rd quarter.

To celebrate student's 4th quarter AR reading success, goals need to be met (or surpassed) by May 3- students earn a movie in the media center!



A New Face in the Cove

Please join us in welcoming Ms. Donna Donohue to the Cove. Ms. Donna is our new K and 1st grade teacher. We are so thrilled to have Ms. Donna as part of our Cove family!!

Save the dates!!

April 18th Spring egg hunt April 26th Ice Cream party

We are asking for plastic eggs (some candy filled, some not), ice cream toppings, bowls and spoons.

Thanks you all for your support of the Cove!! We are looking forward to ending this year with a BANG!



