

Ketterlinus Elementary School
Where we learn, love, and laugh.
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News from our PTO



Time is running out to order treasured keepsakes made out of your child's artwork. These make wonderful gifts for every person on your list. The deadline to order is 11/19.

PTO is excited to announce that Raise Craze kicks off on Nov 1st. This unique fundraiser encourages kids and families to give back to our community through acts of kindness. This is our main fundraiser for the year so we would love everyone to participate. Information will be coming home soon.



Important Dates at Ketterlinus

- 11/4 PTO Meeting @7:45 a.m.
- 11/6 Early Release Wednesday-1:50 dismissal
- 11/8 KES Spirit Day-Wear your KES t-shirt
- 11/11 Veteran's Day-No School for Students and Staff
- 11/13 Early Release Wednesday-1:50 dismissal
- 11/14 Fall Family Night
- 11/15 Grandparent Breakfast
- 11/15 Interims Issued
- 11/19 SAC Meeting @7:45 a.m.
- 11/20 Early Release Wednesday-1:50 dismissal
- 11/27-11/29 Thanksgiving Holiday Break

News from the Media Center

Wow! 211 students in grades 2-5 made their AR Reading Goals for 1st quarter, & celebrated together with Game Time in the Media Center. This is a 1st quarter record for KES! Let's keep that enthusiasm going for 2nd quarter. First graders now have reading goals set. Any student who meets their 2nd quarter reading goal by Dec. 20 will shop the AR Shop & enjoy Professor DoDad's Science & Comedy Show in January!

Congrats to Clara H., our first member of the 2019/2020 AR Million Word Club! We have so many super readers at KES, we know this club will be PACKED by the end of the year!

The Book Fair is Coming!!



Wooahoo! Our first Arctic Adventure Scholastic Book Fair is coming Nov 12-15. Your students will bring home flyers & their shopping schedule, so be on the lookout. This fundraiser is always a ton of fun for students & helps promote one of our favorite things here at KES... READING! The Book Fair is always a super success because of our amazing volunteers that help our shoppers shop. Want to join in the fun??? Look for the volunteer SignupGenius! Students can pay with cash, credit/debit, a check made payable to KES PTO, or with a digital payment called eWallet. To sign up for eWallet go to: <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/ketterlinuselementaryschool>

3rd-5th graders- Want to try out for SSSYRA Battle of the Books? Make sure you've read at least 7 books by November 15! Try-out quiz will be available to you in the media center 11/18-11/20! Team will be announced on 11/22!

- 11/14 Family Night (Book Fair open 5-8!)
- 11/15 Grandparent's Breakfast (Book Fair open!)

Music at Ketterlinus

The KES Holiday Music Concert is scheduled for Tuesday, December 10th at First United Methodist Church on King Street. (The Pumpkin Church)

KES will be performing during the pre-game show before the Orlando Magic game on February 1st. The Magic is playing the Miami Heat. All students in grades 3-5 are eligible to attend. Please email Mr. G if you would like your child to be a part of this.

The KES Prep Band and Treble Makers need snacks for the students in these groups. If your child participates in either Treble Makers or Prep Band, please send a bundle of 25 snacks in to help keep these kiddos energized.

Our KES Treble Makers will be performing in the lobby of the Flagler Auditorium on Wednesday evening, December 18th for the EMMA Concert Association.

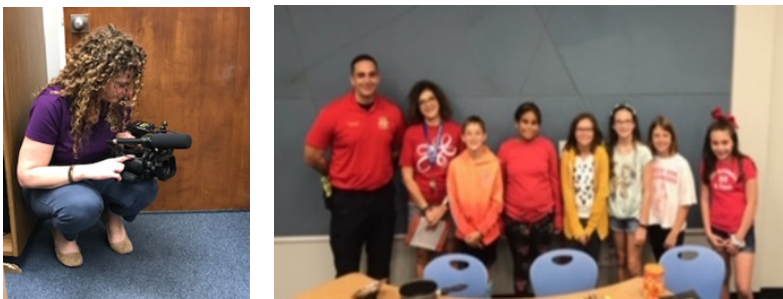
Ketterlinus Elementary School encourages persons with disabilities to participate in all of the programs and activities scheduled at KES. If you anticipate needing any type of accommodation or have questions about the physical access provided, please call the front office 24 hours prior to participation or visit.

Please remember that audio and/or video capabilities are not allowed within the school.

City Government Week at Ketterlinus



On Monday, October 21st, we had several members of different local city government agencies visit our school. They greeted our students as they arrived to school, participated in morning announcements and met with our morning news crew. Pictured below is Merin Dunn, Audiovisual, and Public Records Specialist with the City of St. Augustine, Fire Chief Carlos Aviles, St. Augustine Fire Fighter Abby Pedigo, SAPD Matt Mitchell and SAPD Sean Canning.



Kindness Week at KES

Last month the St. Johns County School District celebrated Character Counts! Week, Red Ribbon Week and Bullying Prevention Month. Here at Ketterlinus we called it KINDNESS week; focusing on being kind to others, to ourselves and to our bodies. All classrooms received Bullying Prevention presentations; 3rd, 4th and 5th grade had an assembly with Officer Brown from the SAPD and VPK – 2nd grade had classroom presentations given by Sandy McCutcheon, School Counselor. On Wednesday, October 23rd, KES celebrated UNITY Day – A day when our school and community come Together Against Bullying and United for Kindness, Acceptance and Inclusion. It was great to see KES proudly display the color orange. On Thursday, October 24, 2019, our school recognized INclusion Day. This is a day where we challenge ourselves to INclude, INspire, INfluence, INvest, INteract and INvolve others. Perhaps take a moment to talk with your child on ways to be kind and include others.



Cove Corner

November News and Notes

Thank you Cove parents and students on another great “staff look alike” pumpkin project. They were AWESOME!!

November Cove activities will include movie/popcorn day, fall themed arts and crafts, electronic days, fun Fridays and the monthly themed Cove special!

Theme: You Got Talent

When: November 29th, 3pm – 5pm

**Details to come

Cove Payments: Please make all checks/money orders payable to KES and indicate your child’s name and one phone number in the memo. If checks are more than \$500.00, please split the amount into two separate checks.

Thank you!

Janet C Bryant
Extended Day Coordinator

BINGO Challenge for Parents

We hope that you enjoy participating in the Parent BINGO challenge. BINGO cards went home with students last week. We encourage you to mark off as many squares as possible as it not only increases your chances of winning; it also helps you to become more involved in your child’s education. BINGO cards are due to the front office by Monday, November 18th to be entered into drawings for some awesome parent prizes!

Important Housekeeping Information

Early Checkout

Please remember that we do not allow early checkout after 2:15 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and after 1:15 p.m. on Wednesday. We are preparing to dismiss our students and teachers are finishing academic instruction for the day.

Label Items

Our lost and found has quite a collection of lunch boxes, thermos, and clothing. Please label all of your child’s items so that we can return them if found.

Hands Free Zone

All school zones and crossings are now hands free zones. Please finish your phone calls before entering the parking lot and crossing zone if you do not have hands free capabilities. This is for the safety of all students.

Car Tags

Please make sure that your car tag is hanging on your rearview mirror when you are driving thru Parent Pick-up. This allows the staff to identify you as someone allowed to pick-up your child and helps us to know what child you are there to pick up. If you do not have a car tag, you will need to park, and then walk in to the front office to show identification.

Remember to display your car tag when parking in the school parking lot during school hours (for school related reasons) to prevent your car from possibly being towed.

Home Access Center

Please remember to utilize the HAC for report cards, interims for students in grades 3-5, and for any disciplinary referrals. If you have any questions, please contact Cynthia LaFontaine at Cynthia.LaFontaine@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

Art we Awesome

Registration for the second session of ART We Awesome (Ketterlinus’ Art Club with Mr. Lewis) began 10/21 and will continue through 11/4 (the first class of the session).

ART We Awesome is open to all students K-5 of Ketterlinus Elementary School. We will meet on Monday between 3:15 – 4:15 p.m. This session will be 6 weeks and the cost is \$60.

This second session of ART We Awesome will teach your child to make a themed clay pencil holder.

Forms can be picked up from the front office, received from a teacher, or from me, Mr. Lewis. 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.



2019 KES Girls Basketball Team



Ketterlinus Elementary School has a girls’ basketball team!! Come out to support them when they play other elementary schools in our area. The 2019 Girls Basketball team members are:

Apryl Forrester, Lila Huckstep, Scout LaPrees, Kendall Martin, Arabella Jackson, Tonisha Pinder, Jayda Givens, Zaria Findley, Savannah Wentley, Maryann McLendon, A’mya Lewis, Rhett Power.

The schedule is:

11/4 KES vs. Osceola @ 5:30 p.m. Solomon Calhoun Center
11/13 KES vs. South Woods @5:30 p.m. Harris Center
12/2 KES vs. Hartley @ 5:30 p.m. Gamble Rogers Middle School
12/7 End of Season Tournament @ Pedro Menendez High School

Firefighters Visit Ms. Jett’s Class

Ms. Jett’s 2nd grade classroom was visited by our local firefighters, Chief Carlos Aviles, Capt. Jinx Von Bretzel, Firefighter Bob Murphy, and Firefighter Paul Hopkins, to demonstrate how they use a thermal camera to locate people who might be in burning building. The students actually were able to use them to



see how a person looks through the lens of this special camera. They learned that handprints and footprints leave a heat signature, but the camera cannot “see” through glass. Thanks to our local heroes for this special visit!

Can you help?

We are looking for volunteers to help with a morning fluency lab. The time would be from 7:55 a.m. to 8:25 a.m. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Tucker at Kathy.tucker@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

Donations Needed and Help Needed:

STEAM Labs are in need of plastic lids of all sizes and colors. Please place the lids in a Ziploc bag labeled with the word STEAM, then send in with your child. Thank you so much for helping!

The Media Center is looking for gallon size plastic milk or water jugs to use for a project. Please send in your empty jugs with your child for an upcoming project.

We are looking for some community members with construction backgrounds to build the frame for our Raise Craze community art project. We will also need to attach a piece of backer board or wonder light board to the frame. We would love to have these items donated, if possible. The size of the frame will need to be about 5ftx8ft. If you are interested, please contact Rhyan Tierney at Rhyan.Tierney@stjohns.k12.fl.us.