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Registration for 2021/2022 School Year

Returning Students Registration

On April 12th, an email from the district office was sent out titled **Return Student Verification** to confirm your child's registration for the 2021-2022 school year. If you haven't already done so, **please complete this form promptly** as this will help us better prepare for the upcoming year. In addition, can you help us by spreading the word to new neighbors, and family members to register early?

New Student Registration



3rd Quarter AR Goal Challenge



Our Dolphins rocked it! We had 231 students reach their AR Goal. The KES teachers and staff are so proud of you! Keep up the fantastic reading so you can meet your next AR goal for 4th quarter! A special thank you to Jessica Roberts-Misterly for making our AR display!

WordMaster Challenge



Congratulations to Olivia Christman, who earned a perfect score in the second of three meets in this year's WordMasters Challenge™. Nationally, only 37 fourth graders achieved this result. Way to go Olivia! We also want to congratulate Natalia Zamora and Luke Richardson, who achieved outstanding results in this challenge! Our KES students were coached in preparation for the WordMasters Challenge™ by Ms. Killin and Ms. Owens. A big thank you to these wonderful teachers! The WordMasters Challenge™ is an exercise in critical thinking that first encourages students to become familiar with a set of interesting new words (considerably harder than grade level), and then challenges them to use those words to complete analogies expressing various kinds of logical relationships.

Further information is available at the company's website: http://www.wordmasterschallenge.com.



Don't forget to order your yearbook!

Yearbooks are filled with school memories that are cherished for years to come.

Order and payment can be made directly on the Leonard's website at https://
commpe.pictavo.com/. Use code 93371 to find Ketterlinus and follow the steps
to complete your order.

If you prefer to pay by cash or check, go to Ketterlinus website https://www-kes. stjohns.k12.fl.us/. After placing your order, please send in cash (exact amount), or a check in the amount of the order, made payable to KES PTO.

COVE CORNER

Wow! Can you believe this school year is nearly over? How time flies! We are getting ready for next year by beginning to accept registration for the 2021-22 school year.

Please make sure to take advantage of our Cove incentives listed below:

- Registration fees paid on or before June 30th are \$35.
- Registration fees increase to \$70 after June 30th.
- Registration fee will be waived if the 1st month payment for 2021-22 school is received by 6/10/21 (the last day of school).

Please help us give a warm welcome to Ms. Sieda Seymour to the Cove family! In addition, be on the lookout for summer camp 2021 at Ketterlinus Elementary School. More information coming soon by email. Please contact Janet Bryant at 904 547-8971 if you have any questions.



Read Across America Day, also known as Dr. Seuss Day, was celebrated here at KES in many fun ways! Mrs. Puzio's class celebrated with a wonderful Cat in the Hat display in the hallway, pictured above. This day is a yearly observance in the USA inaugurated by the NEA (National Education Association), held on the school

day that is nearest to March 2, Dr. Seuss' birthday.

PTO News

Thank you for your support on Family Spirit Night! This is always a fun time to come together as a school community and create lasting memories and friendships!









Important Dates at Ketterlinus

5/6-5/13	Bag It Up for Goodwill (details to foll
5/12	Interims Issued
5/12	Early Release - 1:45 p.m.
5/14	Spirit Day - Wear your KES T-shirt
5/18	SAC Meeting - 8:15 a.m.
5/19	Early Release - 1:45 p.m.
5/21	Spirit Day - Wear your KES T-shirt
5/26	Early Release - 1:45 p.m.
5/27	4th Quarter AR Goal Due
5/28	Spirit Day - Wear your KES T-shirt
5/31	Memorial Day - No School
6/2	Wear Your Words T-shirt Day
6/2	Early Release - 1:45 p.m.
6/4	Spirit Day - Wear your KES T-shirt
6/8	SAC Meeting - 8:15 a.m.
6/9	Early Release - 1:45 p.m.
6/10	Last Day of School
6/10	Report Cards Issued



Mark Your Calendars-The 2021/2022 School Year Starts August 16th

20/21 Outstanding Volunteer of the Year







Rick Lombardo Grant Wilkerson

We want to recognize and congratulate KES Outstanding Volunteers of the Year. Thank you for all the time, energy, and dedicated service you have poured into Ketterlinus over the years! We could not have done it without you!

This year has looked so different with the pandemic, and we know that we have many willing parents who want to volunteer. We look forward to that day when we can return to "normal" volunteering!

Important Message

***REMINDER: Review the Health Questionnaire (see below) daily with your student. Students MUST stay home from school when they are ill, awaiting COVID-19 test results, or if anyone in the household is COVID-19 positive. Thank you for partnering with us to help protect the safety of all students and staff.

***PARENTS: To report a positive case of COVID-19, please first call the Department of Health at (904) 506-6081 for guidance on next steps. To report a positive COVID-19 test result to your student's school after hours, please call the school's main number and leave a message.

Student Health Screening Entry Form

Please assess your child daily for the following symptoms and answer the contact questions.

- Fever of 100.4 or higher
- Uncontrolled cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Sore throat
- Loss of sense of smell or taste
- Muscle aches
- · Vomiting or diarrhea
- Is your child currently awaiting COVID-19 test results? If yes, please keep your child home and notify the school nurse when test results received. Further instructions will be discussed at that time.
- Does your child live in the same household with someone positive for COVID-19? If yes, your child must quarantine for 10 days from the last date of contact with the positive individual. The quarantine period may be shortened to as few as 7 days if a negative PCR test result is obtained on day 6 or later from exposure to the positive case. The Dept. of Health will assist in clearing your child to return to school once they have received the negative test result.

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Media News



Hello Ketterlinus Parents and Students! Wowee! I am so proud of your AR achievements, and you should be too. I knew we could make our school-wide initiative of we could make our series.

231 students reaching their goal. Now that you are revved up about reading, don't stop! I've talked to Mrs. Tucker, and this quarter's surprise reward is AWESOME! I won't tell

you what it is, but trust me, you are going to want to make that goal. Don't forget that you only have 7 weeks to complete your goal this time, so put those time management skills to work. Remember that books your adult reads to you and with you are still books you can test on.

The Wild West Book Fair was so fun! We had a YEE-HAW good time and we rustled up enough cash to buy some great resources for the Media Center. Thank

The Media Center will be closing this month for inventory, and at that time we will be calling in all resources. Please help your children locate materials or pay for lost or damaged ones. This is a great time to visit the amazing public libraries we have in our area to help make sure your student reaches their AR goal.



As a gentle reminder, please send your child to school daily with a freshly washed mask and an extra one in their backpack.

Don't go down this slide!

The "Summer Slide" in reading is the tendency for students to lose some of the reading gains they made during the school year. Why? Students who do not read over the summer break from school not only slow their reading growth, but research also shows these students regress in their abilities. Students who read over the summer break continue to grow in their reading skills! Help prevent your child from going down that "Summer Slide in Reading" by continuing the daily reading routines you created during the school year.

Tips for Summer Reading

- 1. Read together with your child every day. Make it fun by reading outside, on the front porch, patio, at the beach, or park. Take turns listening to your child read and reading to your child. Ask questions. Talk about what you are reading. For younger children, point out the relationship between words and sounds.
- 2. Set a good example! Parents must be willing to model the behavior we want to see in our children. Keep a variety of reading material around the house. Turn off all electronic devices and have each person read his or her book, including mom and dad.
- 3. Read the same book your child is reading and discuss it. This is the way to develop habits of interacting with the text and build capacity for thought and insight.
- 4. Let kids choose what they want to read and encourage reading in all genres. It will open their minds to new reading experiences and motivate kids to want to read.
- 5. Listen to audio books. Listen to them in the car or turn off the TV and have the family listen to them together.
- 6. Take your child to the library regularly. Weekly visits to the St. Johns County Public Library provide fun reading opportunities.

Remember at Ketterlinus Elementary School we believe, Readers are Leaders!



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FSA - May Testing Dates

3rd grade Math: Session 1, May 10th and Session 2, May 11th 4th grade Reading: Session 1, May 3rd and Session 2, May 4th 4th grade Math: Session 1, May 12th and Session 2, May 13th 5th grade Reading: Session 1, May 6th and Session 2, May 7th 5th grade Math: Session 1, May 10th and Session 2, May 11th 5th grade Science: Session 1, May 17th and Session 2, May 18th

Attendance & Arrival Reminders



Regular school attendance is a necessary part of a student's education.

Please continue to be mindful of absences and tardiness as we enter the 4th quarter. Absence notices may be written for a child who is ill or going to a scheduled doctor appointment. These notices must be provided within 48 hours of returning to school. If a student provides a note that does not meet the criteria for an excused absence, it will be unexcused. After fifteen days of unexcused absences, a student

must present a doctor's note for all subsequent absences.

Tardiness is disruptive to the learning environment. It creates a loss of instructional time for the student who is late, the teacher who is teaching, and the rest of their classmates. A student is marked tardy if he/she is not sitting in their classroom seat at 8:25 a.m. Students arriving after 8:25 a.m. must have a parent sign them in at the front desk. Excessive tardiness will be addressed by our Assistant Principal.

For detailed attendance information. please visit the SJCSD website.

Field Day

What a fantastic, fun, and energetic day! Our KES Dolphins were so excited to be outside and participating in Tug of War, Water Balloon Toss, Samurai Belly Bumper and Scooter Zig Zag Relay, just to name a few. We want to thank Coach Allen and the Resource Team, Cedric Wolfe, Barry Pennington, Susan Eatman and Nurse Lindsay. We also want to thank all our amazing volunteers that helped make this Field Day such a great success!











