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News from the Nest

The KES Newsletter

Our Goal is to Maximize Student Achievement

FEBRUARY 15, 2018

A Few Points from the Principal

- I would like to extend a huge thank you to our PTA members who purchased, sliced, organized and distributed fruits and vegetables to every student at KES on Valentine's Day!
- A huge thank you goes out to Mrs. G for planning the fun exercises for all students on Heart Healthy Day. Thank you to the specials teachers (Mrs. Juday, Mr. Soeder and Ms. Hart for helping with the stations).
- Congratulations to the KES January Wellness Challenge winner Izzie Copeland.
- The Kirtland Kiwanis do an amazing job of supporting our school and community. They are hosting their annual reverse raffle on February 24th. See p. 10 for more details.
- Registration for baseball and softball signups have started for Kirtland: <u>http://</u> www.htosports.com/teams/default.asp?u=KBL&s=baseball&p=registration
- We have currently had 5 calamity days. On the 9th calamity day, students will be expected to complete blizzard bags. A link to the assignment will be posted on the district webpage by 10:00 am that day.
 - Kindergarten registration for the 2018-2019 school year will take place on Friday, May 18, 2018. You must call the office to set up an appointment at 440-256-3344. Your child must be 5 years old by September 30, 2018. All required enrollment documents are on the Kirtland Schools website under the Parents tab. If you need a paper copy, please stop in the Kirtland Elementary office. Parent(s) and child will both attend registration.

Change with Dismissal Please call the office before 2:00pm with any changes on how your child is going home after school.

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Important Times

Tardy Bell 8:40am

Dismissal 3:20 pm Preschool 8:45-11:15 am

Lunches will remain \$3.00

Please call our absence line (available 24-hours) at **440-256-3344 ext. 2000** by

Milk can be purchased

8:30 am to inform the

school of your child's

absence. Request homework by 10 am to

allow time to gather

day pick up.

separately for \$.50

12:15-2:45 pm

Arrival 8:25am School Starts 8:30am

Lunch

Absent



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Friday, February 16 Saturday, February 17 Monday, February 19th Thursday, February 22nd Monday, February 26th Wednesday, February 28th Thursday, March 1 Monday, March 5 Wednesday, March 7 Sunday, March 11 Monday, March 12 Tuesday, March 13 Monday, March 19 Thursday, March 22 Wednesday, March 28 Thursday, March 29

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Friday, March 30 Monday, April 9

Important Dates:

-NO SCHOOL- end of 2nd Trimester -Mattress Sale in KES Gym -NO SCHOOL-Presidents' Day -5th Grade Band Concert 7 PM in KES Gym -Board of Education meeting at 7:00 pm in KHS cafeteria -Community Levy Presentation 7:00-8:00pm -Skating Party at United Skates -One Book, One School kickoff (more details will be coming) -Grade 3 Spelling Bee in Hornet Hall at 2:00 pm -Daylight Saving Time starts -Student Council meeting after school -PTA Meeting at 7:00pm in Hornet Hall -Kirtland Board of Education Meeting at 7:00pm at KHS -Spring Pictures -Grade 2 Spelling Bee at 2:00 pm in Hornet Hall -Grade 3 Living Wax Museum at 9:00am on first floor -Grade 4 to Great Lakes Science Center -NO SCHOOL- Spring Break starts -Classes resume

Heart Healthy Day













Tips for Reading Success

Beginning Edition

Kirtland Elementary School Mr. Chad Vanarnhem, Principal



Read-aloud favorites

Biblioburro: A True Story from

Colombia (Jeanette Winter) What if the library came to your neighbor-

hood on the back of a donkey? This is the

true story of a Colombian schoolteacher's traveling library that brought books to children in remote villages. (Also available in Spanish.)

Dragons Love Tacos (Adam Rubin) When a little boy discovers that dragons like to eat tacos, he decides to host



a taco party for them. But if a firebreathing dragon accidentally gets a bite of spicy salsa, look out! A silly story about a dragon

party that turns into a disaster.

Just a Second (Steve Jenkins) In just a single second, a bumblebee flaps its wings 100 times and the earth travels 18¹/₂ miles. This nonfiction book will help your child think about time in fascinating ways. She'll also discover different methods of measuring time.

Bedtime Is Canceled (Cece Meng) Maggie and her brother write their parents an official-looking note: "Bedtime is canceled." Somehow, the note blows out the window, lands in a newspaper office, and ends up in a headline. Soon, +2222 bedtime really is canceled, and exhausted children quickly discover the importance of sleep.

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Time for a story

Want to spend time with your youngster, build her reading skills, and help her learn to love books? You can do all three when you read aloud. Here are suggestions.

Read regularly

Try to read to your child every day. You might aim for 10-15 minutes of bedtime reading for a peaceful end to the day. Bring along a book, and read to her

during a sibling's sports practice. Or curl up together with a book when you get home from work.

Take turns choosing books

Your youngster may want to hear old favorites again and again. Use your turn for new titles and variety, such as nonfiction or poetry.

Let her participate

Ask your child to turn the pages while you read. Also, she can finish sentences that rhyme or fill in words she knows. Go slowly so she has time to understand

Writing that makes sense

As your child first learns to write, his stories may not always make sense to others. Help his writing flow logically with these two ideas.

 Even if your youngster isn't writing sentences yet, he can tell you stories. As he describes the new class pet or something funny that happened at lunch, you can jot down his tale.

He'll practice relating events in a logical order, and that can help when he puts his thoughts and ideas down on paper himself.

Let your child read his stories to you. Ask questions to encourage him to add. information ("What did you do with your friends at recess?") or to clear up a confusing part ("Who said, 'Let's go home'—you or your brother?").♥



the story and look at the illustrations. She'll enjoy read-aloud time more if she plays an active role.

Be playful

You can use different voices for different characters (a high, squeaky voice for a mouse or a deep, booming voice for a horse). Or substitute your youngster's name for the main character's name, and use family members' names for other characters.

Note: You don't have to be an expert reader-your child will love it when you read aloud because it's you.



Reading Connection Beginning Edition

Read between the lines

Learning to infer, or "read between the lines," is one key to good reading comprehension. Consider these tips for helping your youngster make inferences.

Describe the setting. Pick a book, and read a few sentences to your child (without him looking). Leave out words that name the setting. *Example:* "Sand stretched in all directions...cacti

dotted the landscape." Can he infer where the story is set? If he isn't sure, give him a hint. ("Where do you see lots of sand and cacti?")

Fun Words wordplay

" Use these activities to build your childs *phonemic* awareness—her ability to hear sounds in words:

• Choose a threeletter word, such as *cap*. Have your youngster substitute different beginning sounds from the alphabet to make new



words (lap, map, nap, rap, sap, tap, zap). How many can she think of?

 Pick a long word, and tell her to clap once as she says each syllable. For mozzarella, she would clap four times: moz-za-rel-la.

 Ask your child to say a word without the first sound. Example: "Can you say sit without the s?" (Answer: It)

● Think of a word, and give your youngster a "sound" clue to figure it out. For instance, "I'm thinking of a word for something that you chew but don't swallow. The word has an *uh* sound in the middle." (Answer: Gum)♥

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Look for lessons. Fables are great for reading between the lines. Read one by Aesop, and help your youngster figure out the lesson. For instance, *The Tortoise and the Hare* teaches that even if you're slow, you can win if you just keep going. Have your child point out parts that he used to make his inference. ("The tortoise never stopped, and he took one good step after another.")

Use prompts. Questions that start with "Why do you think...?" or "How do you know...?" can encourage your youngster to infer. You might ask why he thinks a character behaved the way he did or how he knows it's going to snow. Together, look for clues in the book that may help him

answer the questions.♥

Vocabulary boosters

A large vocabulary can turn your child into a better reader and writer. Try these everyday ways to help her learn new words.

Keep your ears open

When you and your youngster go places, point out words that people use. Maybe a waiter describes an *entree* or the dentist talks about *molars*. Encourage

your child to figure out what the words mean by the way they're used.

Go beyond nouns

Help your youngster add adjectives and verbs to her vocabulary. Sports and games offer opportunities to use action words. Let your child hear you comment on the softball that soars or the runner who sprints. When she sends thank-you notes or greeting cards, suggest descriptive words (a *polka-dotted* shirt, a *fantastic* birthday).♥

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Parent Parent

Build, read, and write!

My son James loves to play with

blocks. At our parent-teacher conference last month, his teacher suggested that we use blocks to fit in extra reading and writing practice.

We found books about things he could build, such as castles, skyscrapers, and monuments, and I put them with his blocks for inspiration. At first, I thought he'd just look at the pictures, but he has started pointing out facts that he reads, like how moats kept enemies away from castles. I also encouraged James to write signs to go with his buildings. When he made an air-

> port, for example, he wrote "Tickets," "Bags," and "Taxi" on slips of paper and taped them to the blocks. I've noticed that James's buildings are more creative—and I'm happy that he's reading and writing while he plays.♥



Kirtland Baseball & Girls Fast pitch Registration Now Open!! <u>www.kirtlandbaseball.com</u>

All registrations will be done on-line. There will not be any walk-in registration opportunities.

Ages 4-18

Fees for this season are: First Child \$90 Second Child \$85 Third Child \$80 Fourth Child \$75

Players will be drafted to the team on which they will play.

Late registrations will be assigned to a team if there is a spot available.

REGISTER BY MARCH 16th, 2018 TO AVOID LATE FEE OF \$20.00 PER REGISTRATION





News for the Kirtland Public Library

Read Until Ice Cream: Winter Reading Program

Come to the library to pick up your reading log. Each time you read for 20 minutes, color in a sprinkle on one of the scoops of ice cream. Each time you have completed an entire scoop of ice cream, ask for a paper scoop of ice cream to place on our bulletin board. Don't forget to sign up for our End of Winter Reading Party, which will be at 11:00 on Saturday, February 17!

CHILD FIND

The Kirtland Local School District is in the process of locating, evaluating, and identifying children with disabilities, from birth to age 21, residing in the District, including children with disabilities who are homeless children or are wards of the state and children with disabilities attending nonpublic schools within the boundaries of the District, who may be entitled to a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE), including special education and related aids and services, pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504).

Children eligible for FAPE under the IDEA are those with disabilities such as Autism, Multiple Disabilities, Deaf-Blindness, Deafness, Hearing Impairment, Visual Impairment, Speech or Language Impairment, Orthopedic Impairment, Emotional Disturbance, Traumatic Brain Injury, Specific Learning Disability, Cognitive Disability, or Other Health Impairment and who, because of such disabilities, need special education and related aids and services.

Children eligible for FAPE under Section 504 include children who have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

If you know of a child who may have a disability or a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity, or if you would simply like additional information, please contact Becky Malinas, Director of Pupil Services, at 440-256-3311 ext. 1008.

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4TH ANNUAL KIRTLAND KIWANIS FOUNDATION COMMUNITY REVERSE RAFFLE

February 24, 2018 6pm – Midnight

The Banquet Center at St. Noel

35200 Chardon Road., Willoughby Hills

FOR TICKETS, PLEASE CONTACT:

Kevin Eilerman	Joe Smolic	Tom Meyer
440-478-3788	440-487-8984	216-272-1152
Stan Krulc	Rick Fox	Karl Hauber
440-477-0738	216-952-6496	440-488-4659
Kevin Potter	Stan Nerderman	Jay Bagdasarian
440-429-0293	216-225-2995	440-840-4117
Tom Dice	Jim Pawlowski	David Fulton
440-256-8409	440-796-0577	440-840-0663
	Kirtland Barbershop	
	440-256-8669	

\$3,000 MAIN BOARD PRIZE

To provide scholarships for Kirtland area students

\$2000 SPECIAL RAFFLE BOARD PRIZE

To benefit the Kirtland Area Service Council

\$3 AND \$5 SIDEBOARDS CHINESE AUCTION LAST CHANCE RAFFLE & MORE!!!

WAYS TO PARTICIPATE: \$20 - 1 KASC Side Board, \$2000 prize

\$30 – 1 Dinner Only (No Main Board) \$40 – 1 Main Board Only (No Dinner), \$3000 prize

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT! SEE YOU ON FEBRUARY 24TH!

Kirtland Elementary Family Night!!

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Kirtland Elementary Family Night!!

Thursday, May 10, 2018: Only \$122!!

Mark your calendar to take a break!! Support your school while having fun! Get away without going too far from home to America's LARGEST indoor waterpark and enjoy a special rate for families and friends! Rooms are ONLY \$122 and feature 2 Queen beds and INCLUDE waterpark passes! A portion from EACH room booked will benefit Kirtland Elementary. BOOK EARLY to avoid being shut out. For reservations call: 1-877-525-2427.



Ask for the Kirtland Elementary Group Rate. Standard Rooms sleep 4-6, includes admission for 4 to the Waterpark! Up to 2 guests may be added for \$25 each. Rates prior to 13.75% tax.

KES Spring Testing Schedule

(All tests begin promptly at 8:45 am and will conclude around 10:30 am)

GRADE 3

April 20th: ELA Part I, Mrs. Grandini's and Mrs. Swick's reading classes April 23rd: ELA Part I, Mrs. Greer's class; ELA Part II, Mrs. Swick's class April 24th: ELA Part II, Mrs. Greer's and Mrs. Grandini's reading classes May 4th: Math Part I, Mrs. Grandini's and Mrs. Swick's math classes May 7th: Math Part I, Mrs. Greer's class; Math Part II, Mrs. Swick's class May 8th: Math Part II, Mrs. Greer's and Mrs. Grandini's math classes

GRADE 4

April 12th: ELA Part I, Mrs. Molchen's and Mrs. Ribelli's reading classes April 13th: ELA Part I, Mrs. Donovan's and Mrs. Ribelli's reading classes April 17th: ELA Part II, Mrs. Molchen's and Mrs. Ribelli's reading classes April 18th: ELA Part II, Mrs. Donovan's and Mrs. Ribelli's reading classes April 30th: Math Part I, Mrs. Molchen's and Mrs. Karikas' math classes May 1st: Math Part I, Mrs. Molchen's and Mrs. Karikas' math classes May 2nd: Math Part II, Mrs. Molchen's and Mrs. Karikas' math classes May 3rd: Math Part II, Mrs. Molchen's and Mrs. Karikas' math classes

GRADE 5

April 16th: ELA Part I, ALL FIFTH GRADERS April 19th: ELA Part II, ALL FIFTH GRADERS April 25th: Math Part I, ALL FIFTH GRADERS April 27th: Math Part II, ALL FIFTH GRADERS May 1st: Science Part I, Mrs. Held's science classes May 2nd: Science Part I, Mrs. Reilly's science classes May 3rd: Science Part II, Mrs. Reilly's science classes May 4th: Science Part II, Mrs. Reilly's science classes