

## Dates to Remember

April 15-19  
Spring Recess/No  
Classes

April 23  
VINS visits PreK

April 25  
Grade 5 to StarBase

May 2  
KES Prekindergarten  
Visits & Kindergarten  
Registration

May 3  
KES Volunteer  
Appreciation Pancake  
Breakfast & Grade 4  
Maple Syrup  
Celebration

May 7  
Spring Concert @  
6pm

May 11  
Girls On The Run 5K

May 13 - 17  
Grade 6 @ Nature's  
Classroom

May 21  
Free Parenting Class  
Children and Self-  
Esteem  
5:30 - 7 PM

May 24  
Memorial Day  
Commemoration  
@ KES @ 2PM

May 30 & 31  
Grade 5 to Boston

June 3  
KES Step Up Day  
8:30 - 9:00

Annual KES Field Day  
and Pot Luck Picnic  
Rain Date: June 6th

June 10  
KES Sixth Grade  
Graduation @ 9AM

June 11  
Last Day of Classes

July 1 -26  
Summer SOAK



### Third Annual Vermont State Math Fair First Place in the 3/4 Grade Division: Congratulations Sami Daigle & Adelle Danilchick

### Statewide Standardized Testing at KES

KES students in grades three through six will soon participate in the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) administered in Vermont and in many other states across the country. Reading, writing, and mathematics are the main areas of focus in this assessment. Grade five students also take SBAC science assessment.

It is important to maintain a balanced perspective of these assessments. The test results are another means to measure teaching and learning and provide teachers with valuable information to better understand student progress to date. The test results also allow educators to identify areas for growth in curriculum and professional development.

The testing window for SBAC administration at KES will begin the week of April 22nd and will continue through May 24th. Families of students in grades three through six should refer to an email sent 4/12/19 for a more detailed schedule of testing by grade.

### Jump Rope for Heart and Parent/Teacher Conferences

The KES gym was alive with jump roping last Monday, 4/8/19, when Mr. LaBella provided the students in prekindergarten through grade 6 an all-day challenge of jump roping activities while teachers met with parents for conferences. This event was also an opportunity for students in grades five and six to take on leadership roles within their small groups and among the entire student body. They were role model students in being respectful, responsible, cooperative, and safe. Without the stewardship of the students in grades five and six, this day-long whole-school event would not be as rewarding and successful for the younger students. Thank you to Mr. LaBella for organizing a purposeful and memorable day for the entire KES community.

Thank you to parents for participating in conferences this spring. Your partnership in education is essential to the learning success!

### Kindergarten Registration & Prekindergarten Visits

Kindergarten registration will be held at KES on Thursday, May 2nd. Children entering kindergarten must be age five on or before September 1st, 2019.

Please call KES, 422-3366 to make an appointment and bring your child's original birth certificate and up to date immunization record.

All prekindergarten registration for the 2019-20 school year is being done on line at wcsu.net under the prekindergarten tab at the top of the page. Presently enrolled students and families living in the WCUD district enjoy a priority window through April 26th. After that, registration is open to all.

Students who have enrolled on line and would like to visit the prekindergarten are invited to do so by appointment on Thursday May 2nd. If you are interested in the prekindergarten program at KES, but not registered, please call us for more information, 422-3366.

### **One School One Book Was a Success!**

KES students, teachers, staff, and administration enjoyed a whole-school book club while reading *The World According to Humphrey* by Betty G. Birney. Trivia questions during Morning Sing sparked motivation to read at home as a family.

We ended our whole-school read with a Humphrey cake at lunch on Wednesday, 4/10/19. Thank you to PEAKS for sponsoring One School One Book this spring. Also, thank you to Mrs. Getty and students in grades two and three for sharing a copy of the latest Humphrey book, *Spring According to Humphrey*, with every family as well. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

We look forward to another reading event in the fall. Happy-Happy-Happy reading!

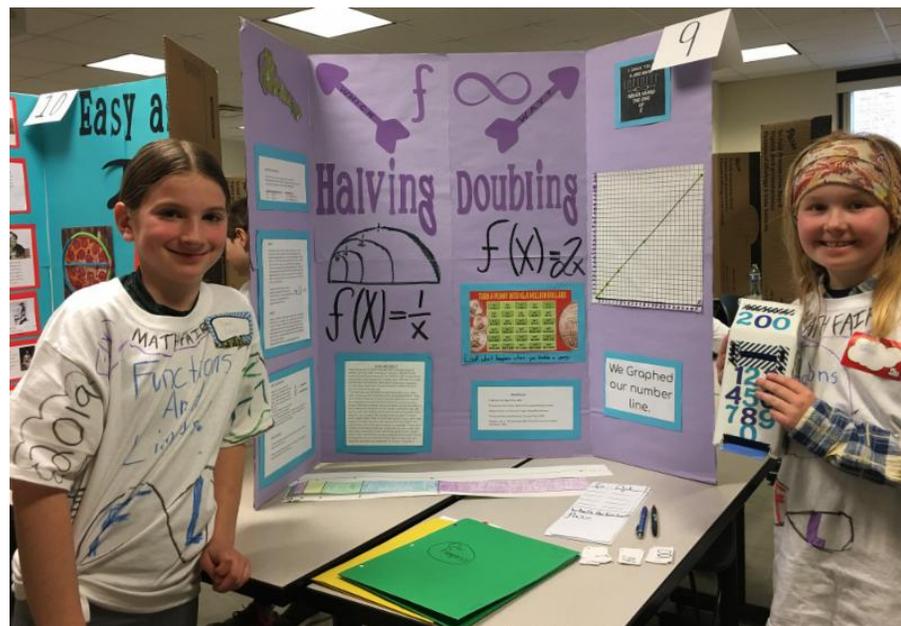
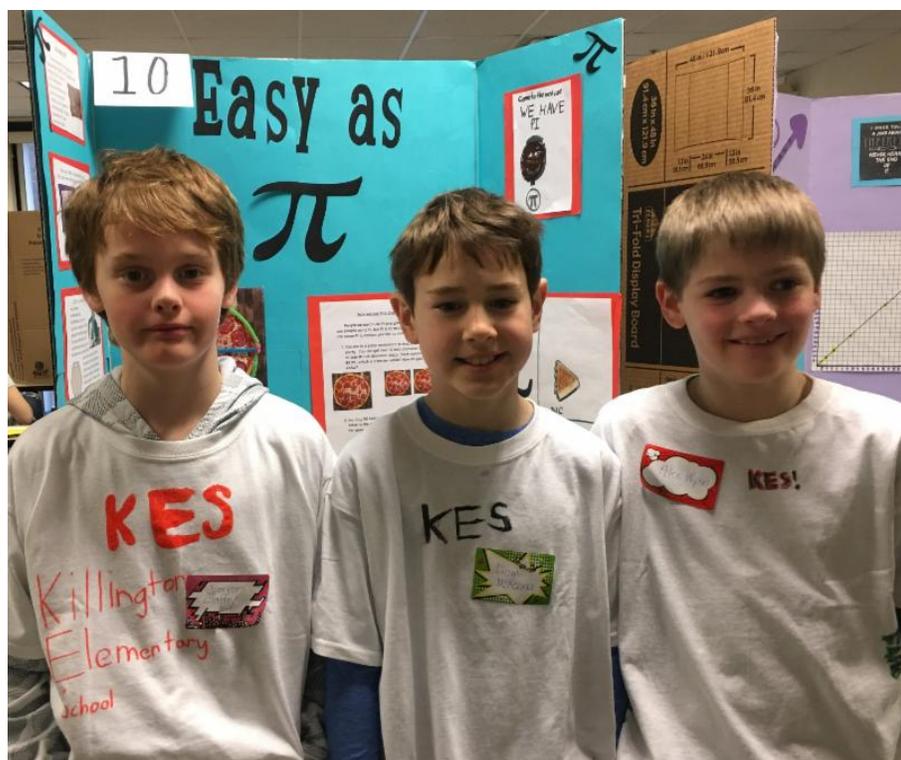
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### **Grade 4 Competes at the Third Annual Vermont State Math Fair at UVM by Ms. Kalnitsky**

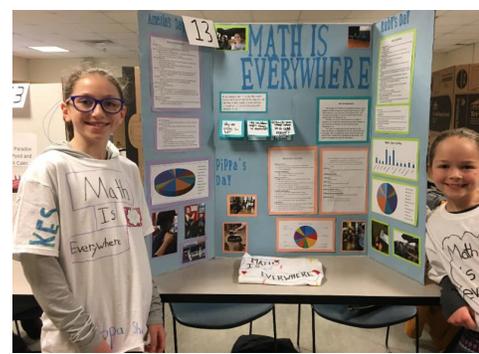
On Saturday, April 5th, Ms. Kalnitsky and thirteen fourth graders and their parents made the trip to Burlington for the 3rd annual Vermont State Math Fair. KES students and Ms. Kalnitsky joined the competition with students from all over the state in grades K-8. Five group projects were proudly displayed in Votey Hall at UVM as the students of KES spent over two hours waiting to be interviewed by judges from across the state. Our students' projects were exceptional and covered interesting topics. They answered questions and conversed easily with judges; showing off their hard work.

Students had worked for weeks researching, planning and constructing projects. Parent volunteers dedicated time and effort preparing snack, delivering pizza, assisting with projects, donating t-shirts and tape runner, and carpooling students to Burlington on the day of the fair. One day after school, the participants even enjoyed dinner together. Liam McKenna, Spencer Claffey and Alex Wynn researched the history and applications of Pi; even building a model of how some mathematicians' derived it. Tobe Smith, Leland Hall, William Bisceglia and Christian Bisceglia presented a project focusing on how arrays help with multiplication, division, counting quickly and volume problems. Pippa Shaw, Ruby Keefe and Amelia Hurd took the time to collect data about how math was in every single part of their day and then graphed the distribution of the types of math they used. Ayron Romanczak and Bryson Lawrence took their love of gaming to test theoretical probability against experimental probability and see the Law of Large Numbers in action. Lastly, Adelle Danilchik, Lillian Smith and Sami Daigle explored the functions of doubling and halving as well as limits as they approach zero and are at infinity.



It was a day of accomplishment for all students involved. The crowning achievement being that students who expressed anxiety and discomfort with their math abilities adopting the attitude of "I can do this!". At the end of the fair, all the contestants and their families gathered in the auditorium. As names were read, children bounded up to the stage to get their medals and pose for pictures. Then the 3rd/4th grade division was announced and imagine the surprise and elation when Killington elementary school students Adelle Danilchik and Sami Daigle were awarded first place and were quickly followed by a second project from KES. Alex Wynn, Liam McKenna and Spencer Claffey took second place. What a memorable moment when their medals were placed around their necks!

Thank you to the Wynn, Bisceglia, Lawrence, Daigle, Hurd, Danilchik, McKenna, and Shaw families for all their assistance at school and carpooling to Burlington. This undertaking would never have been possible without your partnership.



### Prekindergarten Visits IPie by Ms LeBrun



It's pizza time in Pre-K! We have been "playing pizzeria" in the prekindergarten room during free choice. The children are taking on the role of server, customer, chef, delivery person and cashier. They have been writing down orders, making the pizzas, and delivering them to their customers. What better way to get into this dramatic play than to visit a local pizzeria? On Tuesday, Pre-k walked down to IPie Pizzeria where they put on their chef hats and went to work in the kitchen making two large cheese pizzas to share for lunch. The children learned that the oven is a whopping 500 degrees, pizzas need 5 to 7 minutes to cook and there is a technique to spreading the sauce and cheese to yield the perfect

pizza. Thank you to the owners and staff at IPie for this scrumptious field trip and for sharing your kitchen with our chefs in training!



### Dining Hall News by Mrs. Sylvia

This months taste test in the KES dining hall was carrots. Students enjoyed trying purple, yellow, and white carrots while learning new facts about the vegetable. Did you know that one medium sized carrot or handful of baby carrots counts as one serving of your daily vegetable?

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