

KES Newsletter

Happy Holidays!

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Dates to Remember

December 24-January 1
Holiday Recess/No Classes

January 2
Classes Resume

January 9
PEAKS (Parents and
Educators Aligned for
Killington Students)
8:15 AM meeting @ KES
(formerly KEEPERS)

January 10
Trailblazers' Ski/Ride
Program Begins

January 14
End of Second Marking
Period

January 21
MLK Day/No Classes

February 18-22
Winter Recess/No Classes

March 4
In Service/No Classes

March 5
Town Meeting/Voting
Day/No Classes

April 1
End of Third Marking
Period

April 15-19
Spring Recess/No Classes

May 7
Spring Concert @ 6pm

Bring on the Snow



As I reminisce about last week's concert, I miss the sounds of holiday songs being practiced throughout the school and identify with the message of our program, "Bring On The Snow." Thank you to the students of KES for the sincere hard work to bring us an evening of singing, dancing, acting, and joy for the winter season. Thank you to Mrs. Christine Morton and all of the faculty and staff at KES for presenting this opportunity for our students and their families. Your vision and dedication to the arts does not go unnoticed and is extremely appreciated by all. Also, thank you to Robin Alberti of [creativeimagesbyrobin](http://creativeimagesbyrobin.com) for the captivating photography. Robin provided us with the concert photos for this newsletter. Please visit her website to view even more pictures of KES

children.





WCUD Meeting

On the evening of December 10, 2018, the merged WCMUUSD Board, which represents seven towns, met at Killington Elementary School for their regular monthly meeting. Thank you to all who came out to learn about and give input on the important issues that the board is discussing. Your presence and voice are greatly appreciated.

The board meets monthly at a different school location. For updated information visit the KES website, kesvt.org, under the school board tab.

Ted Arbo's Toys For Kids Fundraiser

Once again, the greater Killington community came out to support Ted Arbo's Toys for Kids event on December 8th at The Foundry at Summit Pond. Each year, KES has been one of the many recipients of this very generous charitable event. I am extremely grateful to all who support Ted Arbo and his campaign to support families in need, especially during the holiday season. Please join me in thanking him for his giving spirit and extremely generous heart. He has made a happy holiday for many children and families this season.

Greater Killington Women's Club (GKWC)

Janina Curtis, President of the GKWC, presented the KES parent group, Parents and Educators Aligned for Killington Students (PEAKS), with a check for \$550 on Thursday, December 13th. GKWC donated the proceeds of their Boutique Evening, Nibbles, Bobbles, and Bits on November 9th at The Summit Lodge. This donation was earmarked for a much needed portable microphone and speaker at KES. Thank you, Janina and GKWC, for your generous support to our school and the children in the greater Killington area. The efforts of GKWC not only benefit KES students but also support the Pat Zack Community Service Award to a graduating high school senior demonstrating exemplary volunteerism. For more information on the GKWC's mission and membership, visit their website at swcvt.com.

Mary Guggenberger, Principal

Third Grade Store by Mrs. Getty



The third grade class had a very successful Holiday Store on December 19th and 20th. We would like to thank the entire KES community for the donations we received. Our PreK through 6th Grade customers were particularly excited about the stuffed animals, jewelry, toys, and games for sale. The third graders had the opportunity to practice working in retail, including sorting merchandise, adding money, calculating coins received and change due, writing receipts, and gift wrapping purchases. We would like to thank the families of Annasophia Cueva, Leo Gallazzini, Jayson Legayada, Samuel Molalley, Elliot Namkung, Nevaeh Norton, and Thomas Talens for assisting our class with this endeavor. We sold over 500 items, which were generously donated to the store by the greater KES community. While each gift was priced by a third grader at under \$1, we raised \$200 in profits over the course of our two day sale. After much discussion and democratic voting the third grade class decided to donate the proceeds equally to these charities: Semper Fi, Adopt a Narwhal, Children's Hospital at Dartmouth, and the California Wildfire Relief Fund. Thank you for doing your holiday shopping with us!

KES Trailblazers' Ski/Ride at Killington Resort

Thank you to all the volunteers who made it to the mandatory safety training sessions held the last two Thursdays. Rumor has it that a very good time was had by all and many new families connected.

Our program begins on January 10th. Please check your e-mail frequently as we near that date for volunteer updates and new information. Happy Holidays!

Youth Basketball Sign-ups are Open!

Learn the basics of basketball with drills, scrimmages, and games.

Dates: Tuesday and Thursday, January 3rd to February 28th

Time: 5:00-6:00 pm

Location: Killington Elementary School Gym

Grades: 3rd through 6th

Cost: \$30.00

To sign up go to killingtonrec.com or you can come to the Killington Town Office and sign up with Cathy Foutch, Recreation Director. If you have any questions please call or email recdirector@killingtontown.com or 802-422-3932.

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