

KES Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

February 7
Talent Show Auditions @
noon

February 9
KES School Board of
Directors' meeting @8:15
@KES

Community Forum with
Superintendent Candidate
5:45-6:30 pm @ WUMSHS
Rhoda Teagle Library

KES Winter Social
Fundraiser @6 pm @ The
Foundry @ Summit Pond

February 10
Community Forum with
Superintendent Candidate
5:45-6:30 pm @ WUMSHS
Rhoda Teagle Library

February 15
Talent Show Rehearsal

February 17
Talent Show

February 20-24
Winter Recess

February 27
Act 46 Informational
Meeting @ Town Office
@ 7pm

March 6
In-service/No Classes

Killington Elementary
School Informational
Meeting and Budget Vote
@4:30 @ KES

March 8
Grade 4 NAEP Testing

March 14
WCSU District Band
Showcase

March 15
WCSU Band Showcase
Snow Date

March 16
Trailblazers' Ski/Ride ends

April 17-21
Spring Recess

May 2
Spring Concert



Kind Hearts at KES

"Kindness is like snow-It beautifies everything it covers." Kahlil Gibran

Thank you to Nancy Hagge, Schulyer's grandmother, for helping us recognize February as Friendship Month and delivering another dozen hearts to help us remember to be kind to the people we work and play with everyday. These beautiful hearts splash color all over the barren tree that we pass when coming to school. It is our goal during this month to strive to be extra kind to everyone so that we may instill these habits as natural, lifelong behaviors.

Students will have opportunities to recognize each other for their kindness by placing a red heart on the wall when someone has been kind to them. Let's see if we can cover the cafeteria black board in red hearts to show our friends just how much they mean to us!

Meet the Candidates for WCSU Superintendent

The Windsor Central Supervisory Union (WCSU) Superintendent Search Committee is excited to present the two finalists for the position beginning July 1st. The Search Committee has scheduled a community forum for each candidate.

On Thursday, February 9th, candidate Mary Beth Banios, following up a day of visiting the various schools in the district, will be at the Rhoda Teagle Library at the Woodstock Union Middle School High School campus.

The schedule is as follows:

2:30 - 3:30 pm meet with principals and administrative team

3:30 - 4:30 pm meet with district teachers

5:45-6:30 pm public community forum

On Friday, February 10th, candidate Jahmal Mosley will follow the same schedule.

KEEPERS Update

The Killington Elementary Educators and Parents Encouraging Rising Stars (KEEPERS) is hosting a Winter Social Fundraiser on Thursday, February 9th, from 6 - 8 pm, at The Foundry at Summit Pond.

Tickets are \$20 per person and can be purchased in advance or at the door. Included in the cost of a ticket are hors d'oeuvres prepared by Chef Tony, live music by Joey Leone, and five chances to win the 50/50 raffle! Come mingle at this adult-only event!

Childcare is available through Killington Parks and Recreation Department for \$5/child, from 5:30-8:30, at Killington Elementary School. Please register for babysitting at www.killingtonrec.com. Contact Rebecca Claffey at 917-902- 1607 for more information and to purchase tickets.

KES Annual Talent Show

Auditions for the KES Talent Show will be held next week on Tuesday, February 7th, at recess time, noon. A permission slip signed by a parent is necessary for children to participate. Those forms have already gone home. Performers should plan to audition a well-rehearsed 1-2 minute act with all necessary props. Teachers will provide feedback at the auditions.

Mary Guggenberger, Principal

Important Health Update by Susan Clarke, School Nurse

A healthy child is able to participate in all school activities. Children not feeling well are more vulnerable to infection and may expose healthy children to illness. It is in the best interest of your child and their classmates to keep them home if they are ill. Illness is defined as:

A temperature elevation above 99.9 degrees. A child's temperature must be below 99.9 degrees for 24 hours without the use of acetaminophen (Tylenol) or ibuprofen (Motrin/Advil) before returning to school. If sent home from school with a fever, plan to keep your child home for the entire next day.

Vomiting: If your child has thrown up since returning home from school, over a weekend or break, or sent home with vomiting, please plan to keep him home for at least 24 hours. Children are to be vomit free for 24 hours before returning to school.

Diarrhea: Same as vomiting, Children must be diarrhea free for 24 hours before returning to school.

Skin rash of unknown cause. These rashes should be seen by a physician to rule out infectious disease. Hives as a result of allergy, eczema and psoriasis are noninfectious.

Draining/crusty, red eye/s. Please call your physician for treatment recommendation.

Children may ask to come to school even if they are ill. Although your child may be disappointed (field trip, special event, birthday), please keep them home.

Sixth Grade is in Need of Materials! by Mrs. Simonds, Grade 6 Teacher

Sixth grade is collecting materials to make Rube Goldberg-inspired Leprechaun traps for Big Friend Little Friend! We are looking for the following materials: Shoe boxes, cereal boxes, large jars or cans, PVC pipes, golf balls, marbles, little toy cars, and dominoes. If you can donate any of these materials, please drop them off in 6th grade. Thank you!

Four Winds by Elle Molalley, Grade 4

In Four Winds we studied air and air pressure. We did several science experiments that involved air and water. Even though we can't see, smell,

feel, or taste ai, it is still a heavy mass. We can't live without air! Air is a mixture of chemical gases. Let me tell you all about the experiments.

Our class was split into two separate groups. The first experiment we did involved newspaper, a wooden stick, and our own hands. We had to see who could flip the newspaper over by smacking the ruler and creating air movement. Only Olivia and Kingston could flip the newspaper. The second experiment we did used air pressure, a cup and a paper towel. We had a cup and a container full of water. We stuffed a paper towel into the cup and we flipped the cup over into the water that was in a bucket. The air was pushing up on the cup and paper towel so the paper towel didn't get wet. After that experiment, we switched and went over to the next table and started our final experiment. We started by pumping air into the milk jug. We pumped air into the milk jug until the cap flew off! Air pressure building up in the jug made it fly off. The final experiment we did was to make a parachute that was supposed to be as light as possible but it would catch the air and cause friction. It was supposed to carry an egg safely. Mine worked! My favorite experiment was the parachute. I also liked the air pressure in a cup. I wish we did the egg experiment again.

I can't wait until the next Four Winds. We are very lucky to have parents who come in to teach us these lessons.



Geo Bee News by Mrs. Simonds, Grade 6 Teacher

Congratulations KES Geo Bee Winner, Logan Sudol!

"Amsterdam's Van Gogh Museum, which contains many paintings by the famous artist, is in what country?"

"Which country does not have significant proven petroleum deposits-Iran, Iraq, or Israel?"

Sixth grade students answered these questions and many more during the annual KES Geo Bee. After several rounds of difficult geography questions, Logan Sudol emerged as the KES Geo Bee winner! Logan will move on to the State Geo Bee, hosted by Middlebury College, in March. Congratulations to all who participated, and good luck, Logan!

Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS) by Mrs. Knipes, Grade 1 Teacher

KES students earned another celebration recently by reaching our goal of 15,000 stickers. Stickers are earned when students show positive

behaviors and follow the school rules of being respectful, responsible and safe.

On Wednesday, January 25th, our celebration was held in the gym and our guest was Tegan Waite, a local dance teacher and choreographer for the Rutland Youth Theater. Students exercised and danced to three routines. The first one was a warm-up, the second one was a Zumba style routine and the last one had an African theme. The students were engaged and had a lot fun with Tegan. It was a great way to start the school day!



Student Council Math-A-Thon News by Mrs. Simonds, Student Council Advisor

The Student Council is planning this year's Math-A-Thon, a fundraiser to benefit the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. During the Math-A-Thon, students complete math problems in their "Fun Books," and raise money for the hospital. Killington Elementary students have participated in this event for the past 24 years, and have raised over \$58,000 for this worthy cause. The Student Council will host an assembly next Wednesday, February 8th, where they will distribute all materials and instructions.

February vacation week, 2/20 - 2/24, is a great time to work on the problems and an opportunity to collect sponsors for those who choose to collect money. The math work and any money collected will be due Tuesday, February 28th.

Please look in your child's backpack next week for additional information.

All students are expected to complete the Fun Books math problems, whether they choose to fund raise or not.

Puppets in Education

We have rescheduled the performance of the Puppets in Education presentations at KES due to the "snow day." March 13th is the new date for the Kids on the Block puppet troupe to perform. Parents are invited to attend! The schedule for these presentations is: grades 3-4, 8:30-9:30 (Bullying and Learning Differences); grades K-2, 9:40-10:40, (Bullying and Feelings) & grades 5-6 10:45-12:00 (Bully Prevention Workshop).

A Parent Notification letter was sent home recently with details. Please contact Mary Dolan or Mary Guggenberbger with any questions.

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