

KES Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

April 21- May 26
KES Grades k-6 Baseball
Saturdays, 10-11 AM
weather permitting
@ Killington Rec. Center
Baseball Fields
KES gym until the fields
are dry

May 7 - 11
National Teacher
Appreciation Week

May 10
KES School Board Meets
@8:15 am @ KES

Free Tennis Clinic
ages 18 and under @ 3pm
@KES

May 11
Kindergarten and
Prekindergarten
Registrations by
Appointment

Grade 5 to Mock Trial

KEEPERS
Social
@ The Highline Lodge
5-8 pm
Childcare available

May 14-18
Grade 6 to Nature's
Classroom

May 17
Free Tennis Clinic
ages 18 and under @ 3pm
@Johnson Recreation
Center Courts

May 18
Grade 2 to MBRNHP

May 25
Memorial Day
Remembrance @ 1:30 pm
@ KES

May 28
No Classes/Memorial Day

May 30
Grades 3 & 4
Play Prep After School
Party (including pizza, fruit,
and dessert) 3 - 6 pm

June 2
Trek to Taste
@MBRNHP
10-3

June 3
Step Up Day @KES
8:30 - 9 am

Motown Memories



"Wait a Minute, Wait a Minute, Mr. Postman!" We can't stop singing those Motown hits. Kudos to Music and Band Director Christine Morton and all the KES faculty and staff for the outstanding spring concert production, *Motown Memories*.

Special recognition goes out to our talented choreographers, Mrs. Masillo and Mrs. Knipes; our creative set designer and back stage manager, Ms. Naugle; and all the talented children who gave it their all to raise the roof last Tuesday night.

Mrs. Morton took on an additional talent this year as the script writer! Collaborating with KES Media Specialist, Eileen Vaughn, and her real life experience with the Motor City, she wrote an interesting story accompanying the musical.



KES Field Day and Pot Luck Picnic Lunch@ Johnson Rec. Ctr.
A-I Salad please
J-Z Dessert please
(June 7 Rain Date)

June 6
Grades 3 & 4 to
Montshire Museum
8:30 - 2:30

June 9
Huck Finn Catfish Derby
@The Foundry at Summit
Pond 11-2 pm

June 12
3rd & 4th Grade Play
based on the book
Simon's Hook
2 pm

June 15
KES Grade 6 Graduation
@9 am

Last day of Classes
Full Day

July 2-27
Summer SOAK

WUHS Jazz Ensemble Visit



The KES fascination and exposure to music continues. Students and staff were treated to a lunch time performance by the WUHS Jazz Ensemble. Much appreciation for the fabulous music led by Jody Henderson, Olivia Brooks on Saxophone, Jess VanDeven on flute, Silas Bohlen on piano, and Ted Krawczyk on tuba. Thank you for one of the best lunch experiences ever!

Four Winds Volunteers Say Farewell to Annie Masillo

Four Winds Nature Institute provides hands on learning for elementary school children with volunteers attending a monthly training and teaching a lesson in individual classrooms.

The Four Winds volunteer program at KES has been ably led by Annie Masillo for many years. As Annie receives her "last child at KES" graduation flower, we say goodbye with a heavy heart for her hours of volunteerism, organization, artistic skills, and collegiality. We thank Annie and will miss her greatly. Be sure to check out the bulletin board in the KES foyer, which she creatively constructs at the start of each year outlining each month's Four Winds focus.

Thursday, May 3rd was this school year's final training session, "Flower to Fruit." A lovely brunch celebration was enjoyed by all the volunteers and the Institute's trainer, Lisa Purcell, and Annie was presented with a beautiful basket.

If an appreciation of nature and teaching is in your DNA, please contact next year's coordinator, Rebecca Claffey, trowbrir@icloud.com, to volunteer.

KES Celebrates our Volunteers

We never tire of saying it, **Thank You!** KES hosted a thank you breakfast on April 11th for the many volunteers who contribute to our efforts for excellence in education. Much appreciation to Mr. Guggenberger for flipping the best pancakes ever and to Mrs. Sylvia for cooking up all the other delicious fixings.

So much of what we do at KES is dependent on our community. We thank an extensive list of volunteers who give up their free time to coach in our

Trailblazer ski/ride program, our parent group KEEPERS who raise funds to meet expenses outside of the school budget encouraging rising stars! We couldn't do it without our grade four sugaring volunteers, the lovely ladies who work in the library each week, and the folks who chaperone and often drive on class trips.

Annual Field Day and Pot Luck Picnic

We hope to see many families at the KES annual end of the school year celebration on Monday, June 4th (rain date June 7th).

Parents are asked to join in for the potluck picnic lunch at noon at the picnic tables at the Johnson Recreation Center on River Rd. KES will supply and cook hot dogs and hamburgers. Parents A-I, please bring a salad to share; parents J-Z, please bring a dessert to share.

The children will leave school on buses at approximately 10:30 am for the field for sports and games led by Mr. LaBella. Please be sure to apply sunscreen and insect repellent in the morning before school. Be prepared to reapply when you see your child at noon.

Children will be dismissed after lunch to their parent or designee. Weather permitting, the recreation center pool will be open. Children who wish to swim must have a parent or parent designee present at poolside. Participation forms will be going home later this month. Children without a parent or parent designee will not be allowed to swim. Parent and/or designee are responsible for applying sunscreen and bug spray.

There will be no buses or After School Program at the end of the day.

Mary Guggenberger, Principal

KES After School Program (ASP)



It's hard to believe the end of the year is fast approaching. That doesn't stop the ASP from getting out and having serious amounts of fun each day. Recently, we started our very own 4H chapter. Students got to choose their own areas of exploration and decided on the bunny and dog club for K-2 grades and woodworking and visual arts in grades 3-6. Many thanks to Goodro Lumber in Killington for donating the wood! We have been fortunate to have the UVM extension send Kimberly Griffin to help us launch and supply all the materials. We have 2 meetings left on the calendar this year and welcome students to join us at any time.

KES 4H is doing a service project to give back to the community by collecting travel sized shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes to donate to Veterans at the Open Door Mission in Rutland.

Please drop donated items by May 18th in the drop box by the KES front door.

Be sure to check out our calendar in the main hallway to see what's going on. Human Hungry Hungry Hippo, slime factory, paracord keychains, making bird feeders, a nature trail scavenger hunt, baking banana bread and creating a comic book are a few of our recent activities. Upcoming fun will include bike week, soccer, fort building on the nature trail, strategy games, and making cookies .

Huck Finn Catfish Derby

The annual Huck Finn Catfish Derby will be Saturday, June 9th at the Foundry at Summit Pond from 11 am - 2 pm. It is \$5 to register and all proceeds benefit Killington Elementary School. There will be burgers and hot dogs, prizes for everyone, and trophies for the winners. Don't miss this fun opportunity to support the school.

Pantene Beautiful Lengths by Ms. LeBrun



On Friday, April 13th, several members of the KES community "made the cut" to help women who suffer from hair loss due to cancer treatments. Every two to three years, I donate my hair to Pantene Beautiful Lengths. It is an outstanding organization that creates free wigs for women with cancer. This whole idea stemmed from my cousin's wife Mandi in Wisconsin who lost her hair when she was going through chemo. I donated for the first time in 2012 and have continued to do so as my hair grows long enough. Two weeks prior to cutting day, I made the announcement to the students of KES and didn't know I was going to have as many participants as I did. Tempe in first grade was the first to bring in her hair. Samantha and Allison Daigle were next. On cutting day, Erica Hurd from Mountain Cuts donated her time to make this "hair drive" possible. Bree Sarandrea and her mom Beth, Aulani Rodriguez, Cathy Foutch and myself had our hair cut live in front of the school. It was amazing to feel the excitement in the room and to give to such a great cause. Erica was able to also donate two boxes of pony tails that clients have recently donated.

Tennis Anyone?

Killington Parks and Recreation is offering numerous tennis opportunities beginning with a free clinic for years 18 and under on May 10th and 17th. Later in May and June there will be professional Minitennis, 10 and under; Teen Tennis, ages 11-17; and Adult Tennis, 18 +. Details can be acquired at recdirector@killingtontown.com

Trek to Taste

Saturday, June 2, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.: Trek to Taste The 10th annual celebration of trails, local food, and healthy living will be hosted at Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Park and Billings Park. Guided walks start at 10:30 and noon, or grab a map and venture out on your own. Choose from several hike options and along the way sample free, delicious foods from local producers. Enjoy family games, arts and crafts, demonstrations, and ice cream social, music and more. This free event is co-sponsored by dozens of community organizations. www.trektotaste.info

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