

KES Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

June 6

Fishing Derby @ The Foundry
@ Summit Pond Proceeds for
KES

Trek To Taste on the trails of
Woodstock, 10am-3pm begin at
Billings Farm and Museum

June 7

Cub Scout Information &
Registration 4-6pm @ Silver
Lake, Barnard

June 8

KES Step up Day

June 9

2nd Grade Puppet Show
@2:15pm

June 10

KES Kingergarten and
Grade 6 Graduation @9AM

June 11

Annual Field Day and Picnic
@Killington Recreations Center
Families las name A-H, please
bring a salad to share; I-Z, please
bring a dessert to share

June 12

WUMS/HS Step Up Day
8 - 11:30 am
KES last day of classes/full day
3rd & 4th Grade Play @1:15pm
@ KES Gym

Retirement celebration
@2:05pm @KES Dining Hall

June 14

Cinderella @ Paramount Theatre
ballet performances @ 1pm &
6pm

June 20

Open House @ Sherburne
Memorial Library Pot luck lunch
@11:30 am to honor Ann Wallen,
founder of Killington Arts Guild

June 26

3rd Annual Swim-a-Thon @
Killington Town Pool Contact
Kristin Alf,
killingtonaquaticclub@gmail.com

June 27

Sculpturefest Opening
@509 Prosper Rd., Woodstock,
from 4-7 BYO Picnic

July 6-10, July 13-17, & July 20-
24

Killington Mountain School
Camp opportunities

June 29-July 24



Maker Faire at KES

KES students outdid themselves with projects at our first ever Maker Faire! Projects ran the gamut: solar cars, flying cars, nature trail designs, bristle bot designs and races, floating and sinking Lego boats, animal creations using recyclables, and so much more.



At every turn, evidence of school-wide engineering practices were clearly displayed, and our students experienced great pride during this event. Great job, KES students!

The evening concluded with a special presentation on bubbles: Bubble Trouble, brought to KES by Jane Ramos, librarian, and the Sherburne Memorial Library. A special thank you is extended to The KEEPERS for bringing much appreciated pizza to this event as well as Outback Pizza and Britt and Casey Crompton.

Fun Event at The Foundry at Summit Pond

Thanks to Foundry at Summit Pond owners, Chris and Missy Karr, KES students had a blast at the free and fun Spring Fling event hosted at the restaurant on Sunday, May 30th. Special thanks to the KEEPERS for supporting this event, especially Simone Fieldhouse and Susan Clarke, who acted as liaisons between the KEEPERS and The Foundry's event planner. Students and parents munched on great snacks and danced the afternoon away. DJ Derek was a huge hit.

Step-Up Day @ Killington Elementary School & Woodstock Union Middle School

All students, incoming kindergarteners through grade 5, will participate in

WCSU Summer SOAK @WUHS
www.wcsu.net/summer-soak

July 27-31
Mountains and Rivers Forever
Camp @MBRNHP for ages 11-15

July 27-August 14
KES Summer Enrichment
8 am - noon

"Step-Up Day" on Monday morning, June 8th, from 8:30 -9:30 am. Step-Up Day provides students with an opportunity to hear about some of the new learning that will go in the next year and eases the transition from one grade to the next.

Sixth graders are invited to participate in "Step-Up Day" at Woodstock Union Middle School on Friday, June 12th.

Welcome Mrs. Getty and Miss Murray!

Please join us in welcoming our two new teachers for the 2015-16 school year: Mrs. Holly Getty in third grade and Miss Emma Murray in fourth grade.

Mrs. Getty earned her Bachelor degree at Colby College and her Master of Education degree at Lesley College, and she will enter her eighth year in teaching when she steps into the KES third grade classroom. Mrs. Getty believes it is vital for children to have positive, empowering, and stimulating early schooling, and she is eager to be a part of this process at KES.

Miss Murray earned her Bachelor degree through the University of Vermont's education program and taught in both Thailand and Massachusetts before settling in Vermont. Miss Murray believes in promoting a strong sense of self worth and self reliance in her students, maximizing individual student performance, and promoting a lifelong love of learning. Miss Murray is also delighted to become part of the KES community.

Students can look forward to meeting both Mrs. Getty and Miss Murray at Step-Up Day on Monday, June 8th.

Come Join the Fun at the Annual Picnic

Due to the forecast, the annual KES Field Day and Picnic will be held on Thursday, June 11th.

At approximately 10:30 am, all students, their teachers, and Greg LaBella, take the bus to Johnson Recreation Center on River Road for a fun-filled morning of field games. Parents and community members are invited to join us at noon for a potluck lunch under the pavilion before heading to the pool.

Hamburgers and hot dogs are supplied by KES; families bring salads and desserts, please! Parental supervision is required at the pool. Students without adult supervision will not be permitted to swim. A form for confirmation of a parent or designee is attached and must be completed, signed, and returned to school prior to the event. If you would like your child to wear sunscreen and/or bug repellent, please apply this prior to the start of the school day or when you see your child at the picnic.

Third and Fourth Grade News

Please come to see Project Rescue: Save the Planet, presented by the 3rd and 4th grades on Friday, June 12th at 1:30 pm. A retirement celebration will be held in the KES Dining Hall immediately following this play.

Happy Retirement, Mrs. MacLauchlan

Mrs. Patty MacLauchlan will retire from KES this year after fifteen years of service as a very much loved and very talented para educator. As one student recently said, "Mrs. MacLauchlan is from the team of awesomeness!" Mrs. MacLauchlan has a magical way with children and she has been invaluable in devising strategies for teaching students in a 1:1

environment. We will miss you, Mrs. MacLauchlan!

Loren M. Pepe, Principal

Sun Safety - per CDC advisory by Susan Clarke, School Nurse

The sun's ultraviolet (UV) rays can damage your skin in as little as 15 minutes. Follow these recommendations to help protect yourself and your family.

Shade - You can reduce your risk of skin damage and skin cancer by seeking shade under an umbrella, tree, or other shelter. Use sunscreen or wear protective clothing when you're outside-even when you're in the shade.

Clothing - When possible, long-sleeved shirts and long pants and skirts can provide protection from UV rays. Clothes made from tightly woven fabric offer the best protection. A wet T-shirt offers much less UV protection than a dry one, and darker colors may offer more protection than lighter colors. Some clothing certified under international standards comes with information on its ultraviolet protection factor. If wearing this type of clothing isn't practical, at least try to wear a T-shirt or a beach cover-up. Keep in mind that a typical T-shirt has an SPF rating lower than 15, so use other types of protection as well.

Hat- For the most protection, wear a hat with a brim all the way around that shades your face, ears, and the back of your neck. A tightly woven fabric, such as canvas, works best to protect your skin from UV rays. Avoid straw hats with holes that let sunlight through. A darker hat may offer more UV protection. If you wear a baseball cap, you should also protect your ears and the back of your neck by wearing clothing that covers those areas, using sunscreen with at least SPF 15, or by staying in the shade.

Sunglasses- Sunglasses protect your eyes from UV rays and reduce the risk of cataracts. They also protect the tender skin around your eyes from sun exposure. Sunglasses that block both UVA and UVB rays offer the best protection. Most sunglasses sold in the United States, regardless of cost, meet this standard. Wrap-around sunglasses work best because they block UV rays from sneaking in from the side.

Sunscreen - Put on broad spectrum sunscreen with at least SPF 15 before you go outside, even on slightly cloudy or cool days. Don't forget to put a thick layer on all parts of exposed skin. Get help for hard-to-reach places like your back. And remember, sunscreen works best when combined with other options to prevent UV damage. Most sun protection products work by absorbing, reflecting, or scattering sunlight. They contain chemicals that interact with the skin to protect it from UV rays. All products do not have the same ingredients; if your skin reacts badly to one product, try another one or call a doctor. Sunscreens are assigned a sun protection factor (SPF) number that rates their effectiveness in blocking UV rays. Higher numbers indicate more protection. You should use a broad spectrum sunscreen with at least SPF 15. Sunscreen wears off. Put it on again if you stay out in the sun for more than two hours and after swimming, sweating, or toweling off. Check the sunscreen's expiration date. Sunscreen without an expiration date has a shelf life of no more than three years, but its shelf life is shorter if it has been exposed to high temperatures. Some makeup and lip balms contain some of the same chemicals used in sunscreens. If they do not have at least SPF 15, don't use them by themselves.

Dining Hall News

You should have received your last bill for the 2014-15 school year snack, drink, and lunch balances either via e-mail or paper copy. The end of the school year is rapidly approaching and we appreciate efforts to make

payments as soon as possible in order to close out our school year food service account. Sixth graders will receive a final bill on June 10th. June balances will be reflected in your first bill in September.

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