

Kenmore Elementary Paw Prints

OCTOBER 2019

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy October Kenmore Families,

We have had a great start to our school year and our looking forward to another year of learning, growth and fun with your kiddos! Staff are focused on developing relationships with your students and creating a strong culture of learning in classrooms and hallways. We want to nurture a sense of belonging for each student and encourage students to take risks and achieve high expectations. Many are doing this by talking informally with students, greeting them at the door, eating with them at lunch, holding class meetings, reading aloud numerous picture books and chapter books that make connections and teach into character, sharing stories and inviting input from students. Some teachers have also had a chance to meet with you and get to know you better and some have begun to explore Seesaw a bit more as the month has gone on.

We continue to work on ways to engage families in school and with their students' experiences. We want our school to look, feel and be welcoming to you and your child. One way you can help us do so, is by sharing a picture of your student and your family with us. Send in a picture with your student's name(s) on the back or upload a family photo here: <https://form.jotform.com/92327254680156> We will post Kenmore Family Pictures in the foyer.

We would also love to get your input on our two Strategic Goals for the year, which we shared at our curriculum nights. We would love your input by this Friday, Oct. 4th at midnight. We will use this input in collaboration with our leadership team, teachers, PTA and other interested parties to inform how we partner with you all to support the academic, social-emotional and cultural growth and development of our Kenmore Cubs. Please take 5 minutes to respond to the following link: <https://forms.gle/8DBhMZg2JmaEYhwR9>

Thank you for your care and supports for our kids!
Mrs. Riley :)

IMPORTANT DATES

Oct 1 Annual Title I Meeting, library, 8:15am
Oct 1 Cross Country Meet @ Kenmore El, 4:45pm
Oct 2 Early Release Wednesday, 2:05pm
Oct 3 Individual Picture Day
Oct 4 Recognition Assembly, gym, 2:55pm
Oct 8 Vision & Hearing Screening
Oct 8 Cross Country Meet @ Frank Love, 4:45pm
Oct 8 PTA General Meeting, library, 7:00pm
Oct 9 Early Release Wednesday, 2:05pm
Oct 10 Popcorn Thursday
Oct 11 Ms. Goodmon & Mrs. Matto's classes – field trip to Botanical Gardens, 9:40am
Oct 14-20 PTA Fall Box Tops Drive
Oct 14 Ms. Burris & Ms. Quinn's classes – field trip to Botanical Gardens, 9:40am
Oct 15 Cross Country Meet @ Shelton View, 4:45pm
Oct 16 Early Release Wednesday, 2:05pm
Oct 22 Cross Country Finals Meet @ KMS, 5:00pm
Oct 23 Early Release Wednesday, 2:05pm
Oct 30 Early Release Wednesday, 2:05pm

SCHOOL OFFICE REMINERS

Daily School Schedule

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 9:05am – 3:35pm

Early Release Wednesday: 9:05am – 2:05pm

No student drop off before 8:45am

There is no supervision on campus until 8:45am.

After 8:45am student may be dropped off for breakfast or morning recess.

Attendance

Washington State Law requires parents/guardians to inform the school of student absences. Please report your child's absence/tardy including the reason before 10:00am by leaving a message on the school attendance phone line at 425-408-4810. Student absences need to be reported in writing, by phone, or in person to the school office. In addition, absences not excused within two days of the absence are considered unexcused absences.

Change in After School Plans

Without a note, your child will not be able to make a change from his/her daily routine. If you forgot to send a note, please call the office as early in the day as possible. Calling late in the day is disruptive to the classroom since it requires the office to interrupt during learning time.

Early Student Pick Up

Your child's participation in the entire school day is important to their growth and success. Please do not pick your child up early unless absolutely necessary. Please do your best to schedule routine medical and dental appointments before or after school. In the event that you do need to pick your child up early, please notify the teacher in writing ahead of time. When picking up the child, please come to the main office to sign your child out and have them

called to come to the office to meet you. Only adults on your child's emergency contact list may pick up your child in your absence. Be sure to bring photo ID with you to the office.

Dismissal

The school day ends at 3:35pm, and 2:05pm on Early Release Wednesdays. Please arrive on time to pick your child up at the end of the day. Students who have not be picked up by 3:50pm will be brought into the office for office staff to call parents and then emergency contacts to ensure someone is coming for pick up.

KENMORE'S SAFETY PATROL

Our 5th grade Safety Patrollers are out patrolling before and after school! Please remind your student to show respect for their guidance and instruction as they keep students safe around the school. Thank you to those patrollers who having been doing an awesome job of arriving at their scheduled time and showing the qualities of leadership that make them outstanding students! We still have some patrol spots to fill in the morning, so if your student can help out, please email Mrs. Sandusky (jsandusky@nsd.org).

KENMORE'S SCHOOL COUNSELORS

Hello! Our names are Samantha Nunes and Adam Taylor and we are the school counselors at Kenmore Elementary! We would like to take this time to explain our positions.

Our job is to ensure that all students are receiving social and emotional support so that they can focus on academics. We achieve this by delivering different types of services. We will be collaborating with you and the staff on maximizing the support for your student.

As the year progresses, we will go into the classrooms and deliver Social Emotional Learning (SEL) lessons. These can range from managing feelings to conflict resolution to bully prevention.

For the month of September, both counselors have gone into the classrooms and taught lessons that are about identifying small/big problems (Asking: Is a problem dangerous? Scary? Could someone get hurt?), reporting big problems to adults and how to solve small problems (using Kelso's Choices).

We may also provide small support groups for topics such as friendship, grief, anxiety or divorce. Lastly, we will be providing individual support to students who need additional adult support.

It is important to note that we are unable to provide 'therapy.' Therapy requires a licensed professional that is able to help create a deep mental health change in a client. We provide social and emotional support to the students. We are great listeners and can provide some advice/tips to help students get through their respective problems.

For the year of 2019-2020, Samantha and Adam will be working at Kenmore Elementary for part of the week. Samantha will be at Kenmore every Tuesday and Thursday. Adam will be at Kenmore on every Monday & Tuesday and every other Wednesday.

Samantha and Adam are dividing their caseload at Kenmore. Samantha will be focusing her work with grades Kindergarten through 2nd grade. Adam will be focusing his work on grades 3-5. Adam will also be working with Ms. Quinn's 2nd/3rd grade split class. Both school counselors will still be assisting all grades if the other counselor is not present at the school.

We both are excited to be at Kenmore Elementary. Please know that we are additional resources that you and your family can utilize if the need arises. We are more than happy to assist wherever we can. If you would like to connect with one of us, you can come in during our days at Kenmore, call Samantha at 425.408.4816 or Adam at 425.408.4826. We look forward to all of the connections that we will be making this year! Thank you!

Samantha Nunes

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STUDENT INDIVIDUAL PICTURE DAY - OCTOBER 3RD

Dorian will be here on **October 3rd** to take your child's picture. Order forms were sent home in September. Everyone will be photographed for school records, so be sure to dress nicely and practice your smile! **Please bring your pre-pay envelope and money on picture day.** Extra order forms are also available in the office

VISION AND HEARING SCREENING - OCTOBER 8TH

As in past years, we rely on the assistance of parent volunteers to work with our screening team. There are a variety of important jobs that parents do, including assisting the team with the screenings, record keeping and "crowd control".

Please consider this opportunity to work with us.

If you are interested - call our nurse, Trish Giuffrida at 425-408-4806 for more information.

VETERAN'S DAY ASSEMBLY PLANNING

The Veteran's Day assembly will take place November 8 at 2pm, in the gym and the planning has already begun! Please submit pictures of relatives who are currently in the Armed Forces or who have served in the military in the past. Electronic photos are preferred and can be emailed to our Technology Specialist, Mr. Singh (hsingh@nsd.org). Hard copy photographs will be scanned. **We are creating a new slideshow and don't have old photos from previous years.**

To submit a photo, please note the following procedure:

- Attach a note with the photo identifying the person (name, branch of Armed Forces, relationship to student).
- Include student's name and teacher.
- Photos can also be given to Mr. Singh, Mrs. Sandusky, or turned in at the office. Hardcopies will be returned.

This year we will again be displaying a Wall of Honor, of family and friends we know who have served in the Armed Forces. We are inviting our students to ask about any Veteran in their family or community, and complete a "star" with the information so that each Veteran in our community can be honored. IF YOU COMPLETED A STAR FOR A VETERAN LAST YEAR, YOU DO NOT NEED TO COMPLETE A NEW STAR. WE SAVED THOSE STARS TO DISPLAY AGAIN THIS YEAR. Star forms for additional veterans will be available soon. Questions? See Mrs. Sandusky.

Veterans are invited to attend the assembly and will be seated at the front of the gym. There will be a reception for Veterans and their families following the assembly. Please plan to join us for this memorable event.

KENMORE 5TH GRADE CHOIR

5th grade choir begins October 1st and we would love to have your student be a part of it. Any 5th grader who loves to sing, practice, and perform and can commit to two weekly practices is invited.

All members must exhibit excellent classroom behavior, be able to follow directions and work as part of a team.

Choir will be held through December during lunch recess 12:50-1:20 on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Mrs. Sandusky's music room. Questions? Email Mrs. Sandusky (jsandusky@nsd.org).

THANK YOU!!

A huge THANK YOU to our amazing PTA for spoiling our staff to a delicious sandwich and salad lunch at the start of our school year and breakfast goodies at our back to school meeting. Thank you for treating us at such a busy, exciting time of the year!

DISTRICT NEWS

Northshore Schools Foundation

Support innovative teachers and make a difference this year.

Will you donate to help bring learning to life for students?

“Although the grant was originally written to specifically support English Language Learners, the impact is far more broad. Students with a low socioeconomic status have been given access to books and DVDs, ELL or not. Quality instruction benefits all students.” - Kim Broomer, Kindergarten teacher, Kenmore Elementary

Each fall, the community – parents, business leaders, teachers, and volunteers – is invited to help fund grants that will make a difference in classrooms across the Northshore School District, through the Northshore School Foundation.

We call this All In for Kids, a time when we can all help make this district a place where each student can stretch, engage, and dive into deep learning.

This philanthropy funds relevant, innovative curriculum and resources that otherwise would not be available. As you probably know, recent legislative action in Washington State has significantly changed how schools are funded; after years of underfunding, this already tough situation is now more complicated. So this year, our goal is to raise \$77,000 before the end of October so that more grants can be awarded this school year.

The Northshore Schools Foundation helps people just like you support students and teachers across the Northshore School District. Our tax ID number is 91-1680139. The Foundation is funded solely by private contributions and operates separately from the district.

Learn more at www.NorthshoreSchoolsFoundation.org

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