# This is the KES Way Kindness Effort Safety



#### Killingworth Elementary School

#### November 2023

Regional School District #17



**Dennis Reed**Principal



#### **Important Dates**

- 1 Food Drive begins
- 1-3 PTO Scholastic Book Fair
- 2 BOE Joint Meeting
- 3 Beautification Day (K & 1)
- 5 Daylight Saving Time ends
- 7 Election Day—no school
- 8 Third Grade to HKIMS
- 9 Spirit Day-Red/White/Blue
- 9 Third Grade Book Club
- 9 Veterans Day assembly
- 10 Veterans Day—no school
- 14 Third Grade Book Club
- 14 Pie orders delivered (1-4:00)
- 14 BOE Meeting
- 16 Third Grade Book Club
- 16 Second Grade to HKIMS
- 17 KES Spirit Day-KES Wear
- 21 Third Grade Book Club
- 22 Minimum Day (No Preschool)
- 23-24 Thanksgiving Recess-no school
- 28 Third Grade Book Club
- 28 KWO GivingTuesday-\$1 Dress As Your Favorite Book Character
- 28 PTO Meeting
- 30 Third Grade Book club
- 30 Food Drive ends
- 30 Bingo Family Fun Night



#### **Safety Reminder**

If KES ever needs to be evacuated in case of an emergency, the students will be transferred by bus to the H-K Intermediate/Middle School. Their main office phone number is 860-663-1241.

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Another month has come to a close and believe it or not, winter is right around the corner. It was nice to see so many of you make it in to meet with your child's teacher at parent conferences. The home school connection is so important for young children. Connecticut's Next Generation Accountability system is a school accountability system developed by the CT State Department of Education that is made up of a collection of indicators, or critical measures of a school's success. The Next Generation Accountability System not only values academic achievement, but places a high value on academic growth over time. What makes the accountability system comprehensive is that it incorporates indicators that go beyond test scores. One of those indicators, a very important indicator of student success, is attendance.

Chronic absenteeism is defined as the percentage of students missing ten percent or greater of the total number of days enrolled in the school year for any reason. In RSD17, we have 180 days of school which means anyone who is absent for 18 days or more is considered chronically absent when the state department collects our attendance data at the end of year.

National research shows that at every age, chronic absenteeism can impact the academic and social skills needed to succeed in school. Regular attendance contributes to the development of self-discipline and good work habits in young people. Poor academic performance is often correlated with poor attendance. It is our belief that the lost time in the classroom cannot be retrieved. We appreciate your efforts in ensuring that your children attend school on a regular basis and we want to continue to support your efforts. If you have any questions about student attendance, please reach out to your child's teachers, our school nurse, or me at any time.

Thank you, Dennis Reed Principal

#### November Breakfast 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1. Breakfast Bread, Mixed Fruit Juice, Milk,	2. Strudel Apple Frudel Grapes, Juice, Milk	3. Blueberry Muffin Applesauce Juice Milk
6. Breakfast Breaks Craisins Milk	7. Professional Development Day- No School for Students	8. Breakfast Bread, Mixed Fruit Juice, Milk,	9 Strudel Apple Frudel Grapes, Juice, Milk	10.
13. Breakfast Breaks Craisins, Milk	14. Sweet Potato Roll, Juices, Sliced Apples Milk	15. Breakfast Bread, Mixed Fruit Juice, Milk,	16. Strudel Apple Frudel Grapes, Juice, Milk	17. Blueberry Muffin Applesauce Juice Milk
20. Breakfast Breaks Craisins Milk	21. Sweet Potato Roll, Juices, Sliced Apples Milk	22. Breakfast Bread, Mixed Fruit Juice, Milk,	Thanksgiving Day No School	24.
27. Breakfast Breaks Craisins Milk	28. Sweet Potato Roll, Juices, Sliced Apples Milk	29. Breakfast Bread, Mixed Fruit Juice, Milk,	30. Strudel Apple Frudel Grapes, Juice, Milk	



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#### November 2023

#### Elementary School Lunch Menu

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Lunch Prices- \$3.25 Milk-\$0.65 Approved reduced students will receive lunch free this school year	1. Sausage, Egg and Cheese Sandwich, Tater Tots, Juice, Milk	2. Grilled Cheese, Steamed Green Beans, Fruit of the Day Milk	3. Pizza, Peas Fruit of the Day Milk
6. Cheeseburger Oven Fries Fruit of the Day Milk	7. Professional Development Day No school for students	8. Chicken and Waffles, Mini Potato Pancake Fruit of the Day Milk	9 Pasta w/ Meat sauce, Garlic Roll, Side Salad, Fruit of the Day Milk,	10. VETERANS DAY NO SCHOOL  **Veterans** Day **
13. Chicken Patty Sandwich, Tomato Soup, Fruit of the Day Milk	14. Mini Corndogs, Steamed Carrots Fruit of the Day Milk Breaded	15. Pancakes, Sausage Roasted Potatoes Fruit of the Day Milk	16. Chicken Drummies, Spinach Salad with Apples and Raisins, Fruit of the Day Milk	17. Pizza Fresh Garden Salad Fruit of the Day Milk
20. Mozzarella Sticks, Side Marinara Sauce, Roll, Salad Fruit Parfait, Milk,	21. Hotdog, Baked Beans Fruit of the Day Milk	22. Pizza Chef Vegetable Choice Frozen Treat Milk	Happy Thanksgiving	24.  THANKSGIVING BREAK
27. Chicken Tenders, Mashed Potatoes, Fruit of the Day Milk	Z8. Twin Beef Taco's Corn and Black Bean Salad, Salsa Fruit of the Day Milk	29. French Toast Sticks, Sausage Hash brown Patty Fruit of the Day Milk	30. Breaded Cheese Ravioli, Marinara Sauce, Caesar Salad, Fruit of the Day Milk	



A MEAL IS HOT ENTRÉE LISTED ON LEFT

B MEAL IS A SUNBUTTER AND JELLY SANDWICH, CHEESE STICK, VEGETABLES, FRUIT OF THE DAY AND MILK

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Thank you to the Rotary Club of Clinton who graciously donated dictionaries to every third grade student!

# **November Reminders**



The PTO sponsored Book Fair runs from Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup> through Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please refer to the flyer that was sent home for your child's browse/buy days. You can also shop online at:

https://www.scholastic.com/bf/killingworthelementaryschool1

There is free shipping on orders over \$25.

Also see the flyer sent home for information regarding "Lunch With Someone Special" taking place on November 1<sup>st</sup> and November 3<sup>rd</sup>.



Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> is an early dismissal day. Dismissal is at 1:05. **There are no preschool classes on Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>.** 



#### There is no school on:

Tuesday, November 7 (Election Day)
Friday, November 10 (Veterans Day)
Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 (Thanksgiving/Thanksgiving Recess)



You can utilize two of our emails to cut down on paper and telephone calls. To report your child absent, please use this email: <a href="kesattendance@rsd17.org">kesattendance@rsd17.org</a>. To relay dismissal information, please use this email: <a href="kesdismissal@rsd17.org">kesdismissal@rsd17.org</a>. Please remember to include your child's teacher in these emails as well. Thank you!

#### SNOW CANCELLATION PROCEDURES

The decision to cancel/delay school is made between 5-5:30 a.m.

- 1. Transportation gets the report from the State Police and Public Works.
- 2. RSD #17 Superintendent consults with Transportation, Director of Fiscal Operations, area town superintendents and Director of Operations.
- 3. Weather conditions are reviewed using local and area media services.
- 4. A decision is made by the Superintendent using all available information.
- 5. School Messenger alert system is initiated.

If school is delayed, the start time will be at 10:40.

If school is dismissed early, the dismissal time will be at 1:05.

A decision to dismiss early will only be used when the threat of weather is predictable and probable. The logic here is as follows:

In some cases, we would be dismissing students during the height of road crews completing the treatment of the roads. It is always best to wait until treatments are completed to a certain level.

In some cases, we would be sending students home without anyone home and without advance notice. We respect the fact that many people work away from their homes.







Through your extreme generosity, KES students and staff raised \$1,019; \$589 was collected in school, \$230 on Venmo, and \$200 from the staff dress down fund for the Pitt Hopkins Research Foundation.

# A special note from the family of Julian Scamporino:

Thank you for helping make our Wear Blue for Pitt Hopkins Syndrome fundraiser a success again this year! The support of our KES community means the world to us and Julian, he loves school and all of your kiddos! We appreciate everyone's generosity.

Love, Julian, <u>F</u>van, Justin, and Danielle Scamporino





#### From the Health Office

As respiratory infections are expected to swell during the winter months, many parents debate sending children to school if they are fighting off illness. If students are experiencing mild symptoms such as infrequent cough, congestion, runny or stuffy nose, or a mild sore throat, they can attend if feeling well enough to participate in their school activities. In addition, if they are fever-free without medication for 24 hours and have not had a vomiting episode in 24 hours, attendance is advisable.

The protocol for a positive Covid result remains the same: Students need to stay home for five days, returning to school with a mask through day ten. We share many things at school, but germs are not a favorite! When determining what illness your child may be sick with, the following tool can be helpful:

Go to <a href="www.healthychildren.org">www.healthychildren.org</a>, and browse under "Healthy Children > Tips & Tools > KidsDoc Symptom Checker." This useful tool can help troubleshoot an issue for treatment purposes and provide guidance when deciding whether or not to send your child to school. Of course, I am always glad to consult and am available to answer any questions you may have.

If you do consult with a pediatrician, please request a note to excuse the absence. You may send this in with your child when they return to school, have the office fax it to 860-663-3827, or send a copy to <a href="mailto:lgriswold@rsd17.org">lgriswold@rsd17.org</a>. Thank you for notifying the office when your child is absent, it is appreciated.

Pre-K Parents: Please note that students who are registered in the program must be vaccinated against the flu no later than December 31<sup>st</sup> in order to be eligible to return to school on January 2, 2024. Proof of immunization is required and can be faxed to the number listed above or sent to my email (listed above).

As the weather turns colder, please be sure to have your child dress in layers. In Scandinavia, there is the saying, "There is no bad weather, only bad clothes." An extra pair of pants, some mittens, and a hat in the backpack are good planning measures this time of year, as we try to have outside time in the fresh air as much as possible.

Good health to you in this season of gratitude.

~ Liza Griswold, RN/LMT/BA

















We have completed the first unit on Skills for Learning in Second Step. Your child should be able to repeat to you the four rules for listening: Eyes Watching (the speaker); Ears Listening; Voices Quiet; Bodies Still. In addition, your child should be able to name two strategies to help us in the classroom: Self-Talk and Self-Advocacy (Second Step uses the term "be assertive"). Children should be able to tell you what it means to use self-talk, but many are still learning the concept of self advocacy. We define self advocacy as being able to make your needs known to others, to stick up for yourself and

others, in a friendly and polite but firm (assertive) way. Classes enjoyed an activity following directions to color a fall-themed coloring sheet and learned the importance of both practicing the listening rules as well as using our strategies to help ignore distractions. We will begin a unit on Empathy, which will include identifying feelings, understanding different perspectives, showing compassion and making friends. Thoughout this next unit we will be referencing and continuing to practice what we learned in the first unit, integrating skills to help our students be their best learning selves both individually and as a whole classroom. I am looking forward to bringing more fun activities that teach our children these important skills. This next unit will run through November and December.



I hope everyone is enjoying the wonderful fall weather. We are moving along and developing very quickly. We spent the month of October working on our fitness abilities, social and emotional wellbeing and cooperative games. We started off every class

with a dynamic warm up, stretches, pushups and sit ups. We then moved into different tag games, had fun and got our heart rates up. We learned many fun ways to use a Hula hoop. We also learned how to kick and throw a ball. We finished up October with a fun Halloween game called Ghostbusters. I look forward to the month of November! We will finish working on throwing overhand and underhand. During the throwing unit we will also be practicing catching a ball with a partner or in small groups. We will also be playing a few fun classic games like fishy fishy cross my ocean and wax museum. Every month we will be doing some sort of team building activity; this month we will be playing a game called giant jump rope challenge. Students will accomplish a common goal with the entire class working together as a single unit. We will also be learning how to jump rope individually. Our KES students are extremely kind, safe and fun! I am having an absolute blast teaching at KES! Remember, go outside and have fun!

#### ~ Mr. Weeks



We are getting busy in our music world here at KES. Kindergarten and first grade music classes are filled with songs and singing games. Children are working hard on keeping a steady beat and finding their singing voices. It is always a great idea to ask your children to share a song they have learned in music class. They would love to perform for you! Second grade students are getting introduced to rhythmic notation and are already creating rhythms that they

can perform on various classroom instruments. Third grade students have learned notes B and A on their recorders and have quite a few songs they can practice at home. Please make sure that your child brings all the materials needed for music class every week. We are also getting ready for the Veterans Day program. It is a wonderful program that has been a tradition at KES. The whole school will gather together for an assembly where each grade level will be presenting a special performance for our guests.

#### ~ Mrs. Rubalsky



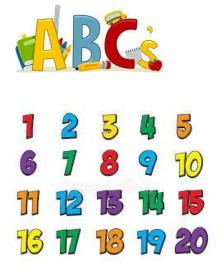
Hello from the art room. The students are very excited to be back in the KES groove. All students have been busy creating beautiful works of art. The kindergarten students have been working on their autumn trees and tissue paper leaf projects. They have been looking at the color wheel and learning about

different color groups. Be on the lookout for some pumpkin paintings (we will be exploring texture with paint) and some creative turkey drawings coming home for the holidays. The first grade students are in the middle of working on their colored leaf composition. We are exploring different shapes as well as learning about different color groups while layering warm colors. The students will be using watercolors to create texture. Second grade students just started their landscape paintings. They have been investigating artwork by Vincent Van Gogh, Monet, Seurat, and other various artists. The students have been using their vocabulary skills from our Wit and Wisdom language arts program and integrating those language skills into art class. They will be using crayons, watercolors, and tempera paint to create their projects. Third grade is just about to finish up their still-life composition. The students are almost done mixing and experimenting using different watercolor tones. Next, the third grade students will start to explore the Chinese language using "Kanji Symbols" and the Chinese Zodiac. Students will learn the meanings of Chinese symbols while practicing Chinese brushstrokes using various colored inks. These works of art will be kept for our annual art show in May. Have a happy Thanksgiving with your family.

## Coping Skills Corner

Hello KES families, and welcome to another month of coping skills! Since I missed introducing a new skill last month, this month's newsletter will feature two different coping skills. Back in September we learned all about breathing and how it can be super helpful to calm strong emotions. This month we are going to focus on grounding techniques and self-soothing using our five senses. Grounding techniques and self-soothing are super helpful when our emotions get too big and we do not know what to do with them. Sometimes when we are feeling angry, frustrated, overwhelmed, stressed out, or worried, our bodies react in certain ways that help us cope with those emotions. Most times our thoughts and behaviors tend to make the situation worse when we are feeling these ways, but when we use coping skills it makes the situation a little more manageable. Some examples of negative coping skills are when we are angry or frustrated because we cannot solve a hard problem, we break our pencil, rip up our paper, or yell. Sometimes if we are feeling overwhelmed, stressed out, or worried we shut down and do not want to talk to anyone or accept help when we need it the most. When these things happen, it is important to know that one, you are not alone in feeling or reacting that way, and two, you can make the choice to change how you react by using a coping skill. Grounding techniques are exercises that help you refocus on the present moment to distract yourself from big emotions. Some examples of grounding techniques are saying the ABCs, slowly counting to 20, saying words that only start with the letter S (or any other letter you choose), saying all the different Pokemon or princesses, or thinking of things that are green. The list goes on and on and using these skills will help us be more present and feel smaller emotions. Self-soothing using our five senses is another really great way to help cope with big emotions. This skill is similar to any of the grounding techniques and can be used anywhere! When we practice this skill we are looking to be more present by asking the following questions: 5 things I can see right now, 4 things I can touch right now, 3 things I can hear right now, 2 things I can smell right now, and 1 thing I can taste right now. Once we have been able to identify those items, our emotions may seem smaller and we can ask for help and take deep breaths. Practice these skills at home, in school, and wherever you are so you know how to use them when you need them.

#### ~ Rachel Hottin, LPC









There has been a lot going on in the Library this month! AM Preschool wrapped up the Mr. Panda book series and PM is almost done with Anna Kang's (Not) bears. Both are starting to work on story sequencing with books about fall and seasonal holidays, such as Big Pumpkin and The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything. Kindergarten has been talking about the concepts of character, setting, problem, and solution using wordless books

by Bill Thomson (Chalk, Typewriter, and Fossil). First graders are discussing the differences between realistic fiction and fantasy using books such as Rosie and the Pre-loved Dress, I Want My Hat Back, and This is Not My Hat. Second graders are talking about the differences between fairy tales and fables (spoiler alert: fables teach a lesson) using books such as The Clever Tortoise, Seven Blind Mice, and The Boy Who Cried Wolf. Third graders are learning about all the "secrets" we grown-ups don't tell kids using The Secret Knowledge of Grown-Ups and The Secret Knowledge of Grown-Ups: The Second File. (I guess we really should let kids know that mattresses can wake up if you jump on them and that you brush your teeth to make sure they don't run away-being a tooth is boring.) Our first session of Third Grade Book Club just wrapped up; the second, about the Andrew Clements book NO Talking, will start at the beginning of November. Not sure when your child has library? Check out the table on the library website, which can be accessed from KES's website. Want to see what books are available in the library? There is a link to Destiny, our catalog, on the website as well. While you are there, you can also click the link to our Goodreads page to find out all the books each grade has been reading. Until next month, happy reading!

#### ~ Mrs. Hosking and Mrs. Murphy











The preschool students have been busy learning about working together and sharing toys and materials. We are continuing to get to know each other and greeting new friends who join our class.

We have talked about the changing of the weather and the leaves. We did some comparing and sorting of leaves to see the similarities and differences. We are lucky to have many beautiful colors to explore in the leaves this year. The life cycle of a pumpkin was another interesting topic we explored in October.

We have begun to use the Heggerty curriculum in both classes, and we are beginning to explore words that rhyme and the beginning sounds of words. Letters A,B,C,D,E, and F have also been introduced.

Ms. Dana has been helping us get strong with our "pinchers" in the PM PreK classes. We have been using our pinchers to pick up pom poms with tongs and tiny beads with our finger pinchers. Mrs. A. has been sharing some fun *Matt and Molly* stories with us in her group.

We are excited to continue to watch the leaves change and fall down off of the trees.

The weather is getting chillier outside and we love to have time to play and explore outside. Please pack a light jacket or a sweatshirt for your child to have when we go outside.

~ Mrs. Golas and Mrs. Treubig

In November, kindergartners will continue our Unit 2 math work with identifying and writing numbers 1-5, identifying three-dimensional shapes, and comparing the weights of objects to determine which is heavier or lighter. During

Wit and Wisdom lessons, we will expand our knowledge of the five senses by focusing on how the little boy in the book, Last Stop on Market Street, uses his senses to learn about the city he lives in. We are also beginning our science unit on weather and seasons by talking about autumn, and we are noticing the changes we see outside and the difference in clothes that we are wearing now that the temperature is getting cooler.

~ Mrs. Isleib, Mrs. Pommer & Mrs. Sullivan







First Grade In November, first graders will finish our Wit & Wisdom Mews module 1 and move onto module 2 called Creature

Features. In this module, we will study the unique features of animals while using a variety of rich informational and fictional texts. In spelling, we are learning to spell words with digraphs, blends, glued sounds and bonus letters. In math, we are completing Unit 1 and starting Unit 2 focusing on addition and subtraction within 20. We will continue working with Mrs. Goodison in Math Lab to help us explore mathematical practices, use a variety of strategies, and defend our thinking. In social studies, we will learn about community helpers while exploring a variety of diverse texts. For social emotional learning, we are learning how to recognize others' feelings and build empathy.

~ Mrs. Lomazzo, Mrs. Roby & Mrs. Williams

Second Grade
News

Second grade teachers continue to be impressed by all of our students and their flexibility with getting use to routines and working hard to learn a new curriculum.

In our Wit and Wisdom program, we are still working on our first module of study called The Season of Change. We have read four mentor texts thus far that have helped us to learn many important skills such as identify how changes in weather can impact people and nature, as well as how changes can impact a character's feelings in stories. We have also used these text to help gather evidence to create informative paragraphs that include a topic sentence and three supporting details. Our current mentor text, Why Do Leaves Change Color, by Betsy Maestro, will take a deeper look into the science of how and why weather impacts the leaves in the fall. Keep an eye out for our next Wit and Wisdom Newsletter to learn more about the important skills we will focus on with this text!

In math, we have begun our second unit entitled Numbers within 100, Addition, Subtraction and Money. In this unit we have started using base ten blocks to help build knowledge of how we can add and subtract two-digit numbers. Students are learning how to regroup ones into a ten and how to decompose a ten into ones. As students continue to build their understanding, they will also be introduced to using partial sums as well as how to use an open number line to show their work.

As you can see, second graders have some really important work ahead of them this month, but we know our students' knowledge will grow immensely as a result!

As always, we thank you for your continued support!







Happy fall third grade families! Thank you so much for joining us at parent-teacher conferences! It was a pleasure to meet with you and discuss your child's progress! During language arts, students will listen to a read-aloud of Molly

Bang's informational picture book, Ocean Sunlight: How Tiny Plants Feed the Seas. The book highlights the importance of the ocean and the relationship between the sun and the microscopic plants that form the basis of ocean food chains. Students will then read The Fantastic Undersea Life of Jacques Cousteau, by Dan Yaccarino. This lively and beautifully illustrated biography portrays the joy and wonder that compelled Jacques Cousteau to spend his life exploring the sea. This month students will learn about the concept of division and begin working on learning the foundational division facts. This month we also have exciting events coming up: the Veterans Day assembly and the trip to HKIS for a program about energy. Thank you for your continued support.

~ Mrs. Brustman, Mr. Cusson & Mrs. Rich

## Using Board Games to Teach Math to Young Children

Playing board and card games can improve number sense among children as young as 3—and it's fun!

By Nell McAnelly

A recent study found that playing board games improves number recognition, counting, basic operations, and number comprehension among children as young as 3. Students can learn skills ranging from basic tenets such as identifying numbers and counting "how many" to complex ideas for strategizing how to achieve certain outcomes.

**Qwirkle**: A matching game in which students have to match colors or shapes. Players practice spatial reasoning and identifying and classifying characteristics (color and shapes).

**Blokus**: A game in which players put shapes on a board according to color. It's great for developing logic skills and spatial perception.

**Battleship**: Players have to guess the positions of an opponent's ships on a grid. Students can work on the coordinate plane, spatial relationships, and logic skills.

The Game of Life: A classic board game that offers lessons on money and budgeting and creates opportunities to practice basic math operations.

Blink: A card game to help with counting, quantity and subitizing

**Uno**: A matching card game that can help with number recognition.

**Dominoes**: This is also great for practicing number recognition and counting.

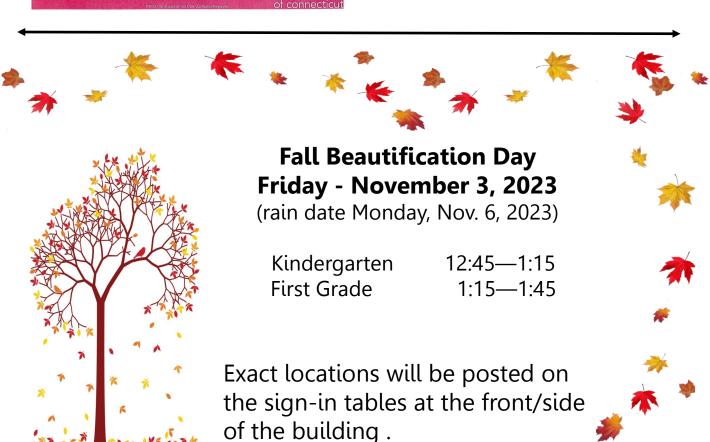
#### ADDED BENEFITS OF BOARD GAMES

Benefits from board games go beyond achievement. The motivation from games often increases time on task and curiosity about skills that enhance play. Students strive to know more because it improves performance. The benefits can spill over into other areas as well. Children also learn from other children and the play of the game, analyzing their peers' strategies and tactics.

Build math skills and have fun. Host a family game night!



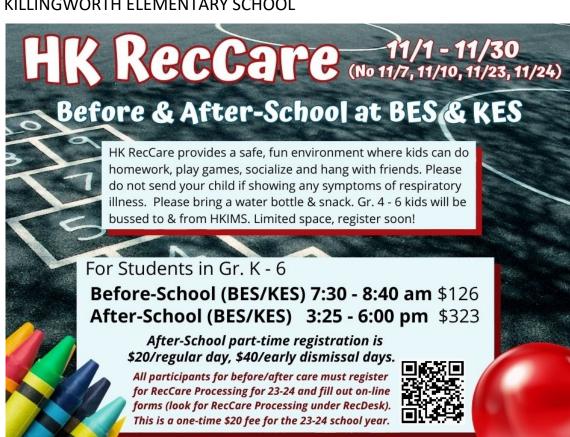
Are you interested in joining Girl Scouts?



Note: Second and third grade students will participate in the Spring Beautification Day.

Paws-itively Awesome Students!







**Check out** HK Rec **Programs** 

Register at www.hkrec.com by 10/29



# HK Recreaton: Nov./Dec. Youth Programs

#### **Karate Kids**

Mondays 11/6 - 12/11) at KES Wednesdays 11/1 - 12/13 (No 11/22) at BES 3:30 - 4:45 pm Gr. K - 5 \$48 (NR add \$10)

#### **Abrakadoodle - Time Machine**

Wednesdays 11/1 - 12/6 (No 11/22) at BES Fridays 11/3 - 12/15 (No 11/24) at KES 3:30 - 4:30 pm Gr. K - 6 \$77 (NR add \$10)

#### **Play-Well - Minecraft Engineering**

Wednesdays 11/8 - 12/6 at KES

\*meets 1:05 - 2:30 on 11/22

Thursdays 11/2 - 12/7 (No 11/23) at BES

3:30 - 5:00 pm Ages 5 -10

\$133 (NR add \$10)

#### <u>Food Exporers - Holiday Desserts</u>

Mondays 11/13 - 12/4 at KES Fridays 11/17 - 12/15 (No 11/24) at BES 3:30 - 4:45 pm Gr. 2 - 5 \$85 (NR add \$10)

#### **Zumba Kids**

Wednesdays 11/1 - 12/13 (No 11/22) at KES Thursdays 11/2 - 12/14 (No 11/23) at BES 3:30 - 4:30 pm Gr. K - 5 \$80 (NR add \$10)

#### **Running Rams - 'Cross Country'**

Wednesdays 5:30- 6:30 pm at Sheldon Park \$90 (NR add \$10) Age 5 - 13

#### **Indoor Soccer Skills**

Tuesdays 11/14 - 12/12 at BES Thursdays 11/9 - 12/14 (No 11/23) at KES 3:30 - 4:30 pm Gr. K - 2 \$75 (NR add \$10)

#### **Pre-Season Basketball Clinics**

Mondays 11/6 - 11/27 5:30 - 6:30 pm (Girls Gr. 3-4) 6:30 -7:30 pm (Girls Gr. 5-6)

Wednesdays 11/1 - 11/29 (No 11/22) 5:30 - 6:30 pm (Boys Gr. 3-4) 6:30 -7:30 pm (Boys Gr. 5-6)

HK IMS Small Gym \$45 (NR add \$10)

#### **Basic First Aid**

Wednesday 11/1 5:30 - 7:00 pm at HK HS Media \$26 (NR add \$5) Age 8+

#### **Creative Art**

Tuesdays 10/17 - 11/21 (No 11/7) at KES Tuesdays 11/28 - 12/19 at BES 3:30 - 4:45 pm Gr. K - 5 \$55 (NR add \$10)

#### **When I'm in Charge**

Wednesday 11/15 5:30 - 7:00 pm at HK HS Media \$26 (NR add \$5) Age 8+

#### Scribble, Wiggle & Giggle

Tuesdays 11/14 - 12/12 4:15 - 5:00 pm at HES All-Purpose Rm \$50 (NR add \$10) Ages 2 - 4

#### **RecCare All-Day Childcare**

11/7 and 11/10 8:00 - 4:30 pm at BES \$50 each day (NR add \$10) Gr. K - 6

#### **CPR for Babysitters**

Wednesday 12/11 & 12/13 5:30 - 7:00 pm at HK HS Media \$60 (NR add \$10) Age 10+

#### **<u>Cupcake Decorating</u>**

Tuesday 11/14 HK HS Cafeteria 6:00 - 8:00 pm Age 6 & up \$50 (NR add \$5)

#### **HK RecCreation Stations**

Mondays 11/6 - 12/4 10:00 - 11:00 am at HES All-Purpose \$30 (NR add \$10) Age 1 - 4

#### **Storytime & Crafts**

Thursdays 11/9 - 12/14 (No 11/23) 4:15 - 5:00 pm at HES All-Purpose Rm \$50 (NR add \$10) Ages 3 - 5

#### **Swim Lessons (age 4+)**

The November/December sessions are full.
We will be offering more lessons on T or Th evenings in Jan/Feb, March, and April/May.

#### **Job Opportunities for Teens**

- Basketball Attendants
- 2nd Gr. BBall Coaches
- Swim Instructors

Must be at least 15 years old \$15/hr or community service



Register at www.hkrec.com





Bryson Brown-O'Hara was the winner of the Charleston Wrap raffle. He now is the proud owner of the giant sloth. Congratulations to Bryson!

# Killingworth Elementary School





Thank you to all who participated in the Charleston Wrap sale in September. KES had 48 participants and earned \$3,550 through the sale of these items. Orders will be mailed directly to your residence. Thank you for your continued support.





Help support Killingworth Elementary School with Box Tops!! You can digitally download your labels to the Box Top App (scan at left). Scan your receipt within 14 days of purchase and KES will receive 10 cents for each box top. Shopping online or having groceries delivered? Forward your email receipt to <a href="RECEIPTS@BOXTOPS4EDUCATION.COM"><u>RECEIPTS@BOXTOPS4EDUCATION.COM</u></a> using the same email that is associated with your Box Tops account. Any questions, please reach out to Jess DeAngelo at <a href="jessr4181@gmail.com">jessr4181@gmail.com</a>.



The Bishop's Pie fundraiser delivery will be November 14th, from 1:00 until 4:00.



The Running Club is back every Wednesday during recess time. As always, it is weather permitting. Please make sure to wear sneakers! We are always looking for parent volunteers to help out. Please contact Melissa at melitotino@aol.com. Recess times are kindergarten-12:10 to 12:40; 1<sup>st</sup> grade-12:40 to 1:10; 2<sup>nd</sup> grade-11:40 to 12:10 and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade-1:10 to 1:40.

UNFUNDRAISER

The "Unfundraiser" raised \$2,200. Thank you to all who participated!



The KES Wear sale has ended. Ordered are scheduled to ship right after Thanksgiving and arrive in time for the winter holidays. Thank you all who participated!



Thank you to everyone who contributed food, drinks or donations for the staff during conference week. It is greatly appreciated by all!



Thank to Elysha Mallon and her many volunteers for putting on the Scholastic Book Fair (which runs through November 3<sup>rd</sup>). Please refer to the flyers sent home for the times your child will browse/buy, as well as information regarding "Lunch With Someone Special" taking place on November 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Your purchases will benefit KES students. Thank you for ordering!



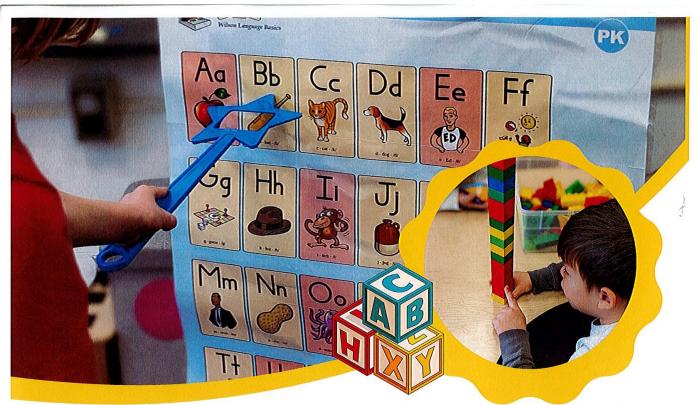
BINGO Family Fun Night is taking place November 30<sup>th</sup>. Doors open at 6:00. This free event is from 6:15 to 7:30 in the AP Room. More information will be sent home soon.



Thank you Jeremy Merrell for putting together our Student Directory—we appreciate all your hard work!



The next PTO meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the library. Please join us!



# Developmental Screening RSD17 Preschool

Available to all 3 and 4 year olds residing in Haddam or Killingworth

If you have a question or concern about your child's development or simply want more information about your child, please join us!

#### **Assessment Includes:**

- Cognitive and Readiness skills
- Speech and Language Skills
- Fine & Gross Motor Skills
- Adaptive Skills
- Social Skills

**January 10, 2024** 9-10 a.m.

#### To Register Please Call or Email:

lkozlowski@rsd17.org 860-663-1121



**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023** 

# DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVORITE BOOK CHARACTER & DONATE \$1!



This year on GivingTuesday, volunteers from the Killingworth Women's Organization (KWO) will be giving their time to read a book in each KES classroom.

As part of GivingTuesday, KWO is building a new fund for the purchase of books to support teachers, libraries, and children in Killingworth. Please send your child to school with \$1 or your choice of a donation which will go directly towards the new fund. We will also be encouraging the town to give to this fund. Thank you!





Community

Readers

Program





Questions: Jessie Ford - jdford324@gmail.com

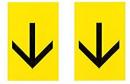


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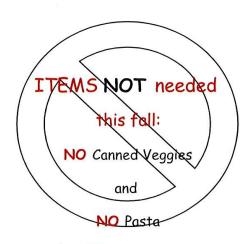
KES is having its annual Food Drive to benefit the Killingworth Food Pantry through the month of November.

There will be collection boxes set up for each grade level in the front hall. Let's see which grade can collect the most items this year!



## **Items in greater need**

- 🎔 Gravy 🎔 Cake or Brownie Mix 🧡
  - 🧡 Baked Beans 🧡 Cereal 💖
  - Apple Sauce and Fruit Cups
    - Flavored Rice



- Baking Supplies (smaller sizes) Flour, Sugar, etc.
- 🤛 Personal Hygiene Products soap, shampoo, toothpaste, body wash 🦻

#### PLEASE CHECK EXPIRATION DATES!

We throw A LOT away that have expired!

We thank you in advance for your support!

# Watch for Halloween Pictures in The December Newsletter





