

KES PTA NEWS

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The PTA President's Corner ...

Hello Kemptown Families,

As we are rounding the end of February let's leap into March with the energy that will get us through these next 5 FULL weeks of school before spring break! (There is a 2-hour early dismissal on Wednesday, March 4th)!

5th Graders will be your waiters and waitresses on Wednesday, March 18th in the Kemptown cafeteria! Come on out and see this room transformed into an Italian wonderland! The tips these hard-working kids earn during the evening, will go towards their 5th Grade Pool Party – a most cherished tradition for these children! EVERYONE is welcome for the dinner! This is not just for 5th grade families! No family dinner restaurant night planned this month, so use this as your get out of cooking night for March!

You can make reservations at 5:30 or 6:30 by simply going to: https://form.jotform.com/200483972364156

And if your 5th grader wants to volunteer to serve that evening, please sign up below!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B094CAAAF2CA7FC1-5thgrade1

We are also so excited that we will have a TALENT SHOW and a PLAY this year! Please be sure to thank Mrs. Milito for heading the play, as well as, Jennifer Edwards and Samantha Long for chairing the talent show! Didn't get your talent show form turned in? No worries – just email Jennifer Edwards now and let her know you're in! (deejaysweetpea@gmail.com) They have 15 acts so far and have room for more!

Be sure to make note of the Field Day Planning Meeting, which will be Thursday April 2nd at 6:30 pm in the media center (PTA Meeting to follow)! Please be sure to come out that evening to help with the planning of the parent led park activities.

Thanks for all you've done and continue to do for Kemptown PTA!

Sincerely, Tiffany Warner Volume 12 – February 27, 2020

Mark Your Calendar!

March:

3/2 - Spirit Day (Dr. Seuss Day) & Deadline for awards for Teacher/Staff

3/4 - 2 Hour early dismissal

3/5 - PTA Meeting @ 7pm

3/9 - Penny Wars begin

3/10 – 5th Grade Pool Party Planning Meeting @ 7:30 pm

3/13 – Last day of Penny Wars, Legacy Wall & Kindness Rocks Family Fun Event

3/18 - Carrabba's Family Dinner Night @KES (5th Grade Fundraiser)

3/25 - Picture Day

3/31 - STEAM Night

April:

4/2 - Field Day Parent Planning meeting @ 6:30 pm, PTA Meeting @ 7pm

4/8 - Spirit Day & 2 Hour early dismissal

4/9 - 4/13 - Spring Break

4/22 - School Play

4/24 – Tie Dye and Ice Cream Party

Family Fun Night

4/28 - School Closed

4/29 - FCPS PTA Reflections Gala @

6:30pm

It'S NEVER TO LATE ... Join the PTA by signing up online at:

https://kes.ptboard.com All NEW families need the code: H4HUYK



Calling All 5th Grade Parents

The next 5th Grade Pool Party planning meeting will be on **Tuesday**, **March 10**th at 7:30pm in the Media Center.

Please come help make this a day to remember!





Spirit Day!

March 2, 2020

Kindergarten: If I Ran the Zoo - dress like a zoo animal, wear animal print or any shirt with an animal on it!

First Grade: Wacky Wednesday- mismatched, backwards, or inside out clothing with crazy hair to go along/(MO hair dye, please!)

Second Grade: Fox In Socks-wear your craziest socks!

Third Grade: Cat In the Hat-lots of stripes and crazy hats!

Fourth Grade: Green Eggs and Ham-wear as much green as you can find!

<u>Fifth Grade</u>: On the Places You II Go! - wear a shirt from your favorite vacation spot/college/etc.





Family Dinner Night at KES

Wednesday, March 18th

Join us for Family Dinner Night catered by Carrabba's Italian Grill and served by our fantastic 5th graders. They are working for gratuity for their End of the Year Party!

Dinner includes: Salad, Chicken Marsala, Pasta Pomodoro, Dessert and a Beverage. \$10/adult & \$5/child.

Please click the link below to make a reservation for either our 5:30pm or 6:30pm seating. Payments may be made by cash or check made payable to Kemptown PTA and sent to school an envelope marked "Family Dinner Night."

Payments may also be sent via PayPal or Venmo to KristinaWinkler44. Thank for supporting our 5th grade class!

Make a reservation at: http://form.jotform.com/200483972364156

Family Dinner Night 5th Grade Volunteers:

Calling All 5th Graders!

We need your help to make Family Dinner Night a success! Come serve your family and friends of Kemptown with dinner catered by Carrabba's Italian Grill! Sign-up at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B094CAAAF2CA7FC1-5thgrade1

You juggle a lot as parents; we know you do!

The Cat in the Hat asks, "Can I add one thing, too?"

He wonders if you can send on your way

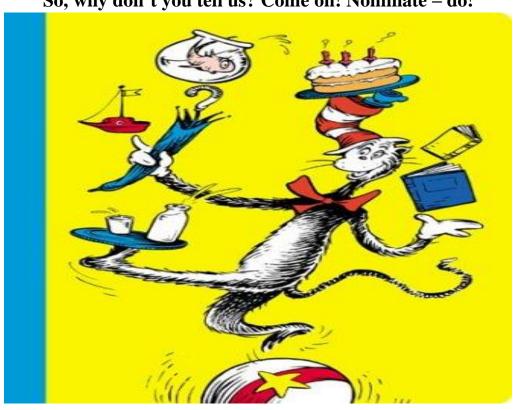
A letter of rec by his birthday.

Who was the teacher who blew you away — made you want to learn in a whole new way?

Or what about staff who made your day pop, adding a little something special, like a cherry on top?

He wants to know, so he can celebrate, too!

So, why don't you tell us? Come on! Nominate - do!



March the 2nd is on its way!
It's not just Dr. Seuss Day,
The Cat in the Hat says, "Nominate Away.
Submit Today!"

Form: https://forms.gle/ykjcqAUNVq18hksm8 or

Email: <u>harnesberger@gmail.com</u> <u>laurie.e.carmody@gmail.com</u>



SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING ARTS MATH

Mark your calendars! STEAM NIGHT at KES is

Tuesday, March 31st!

Is your child doing a **Science Fair Project** this year?? And do they want to show off what cool things they learned and did???

If your child is interested in sharing what interesting things they learned to their KES peers, please contact Kristen Stafford. She is looking for Science Fair projects for our 2020 STEAM Night.

Volunteer signup will be forthcoming!

Email Kristen at kristen.l.stafford@gmail.com



Congratulations to *Genevieve E., Isabella M., Felicity M., Rebecca S.*, and *Alaina M.* for advancing to the Maryland level and for their fantastic work in the Reflections "Look Within" Arts in Education Program! Good luck at the state level! Please visit the Frederick PTA page for a list of all County winners. http://frederickpta.org/reflections.

Please join us to celebrate our student artists at the **Frederick County PTA Reflections Gala** on Wednesday, April 29th at 6:30 pm at Frederick High School. A formal announcement will be sent out in a few weeks.





Drop your Coke codes in the office in the Coke jar to help KES earn \$\$\$



Field Day Parent Planning Meeting

April 2nd @ 6:30pm, KES Media Center (just before the PTA meeting)

Discussion and planning will focus on the PTA sponsored activities that take part at Kemptown Park.



If you have pictures from attending a KES event, we'd love to share them in our newsletters... please send them to kesptanews@gmail.com

Fundraising Corner...

Who's Ready for some Penny Wars??!!

When: March 9th - 13th



Where: Every morning as kids enter the school in the front hallway, they can place their money in the appropriate containers.

What else? Flyers will be coming home in the Thursday folders to explain the rules.

Prizes: The grade with highest points and the grade with most money earned will earn an extra recess.

Goal: To raise \$2000. Last year, we surpassed \$2000 and would love to see us break that amount again this year. Mrs. Golightly and the front staff are working on a fun incentive for the fundraiser if we hit our goal.

Where is the \$\$\$ going??: 25% of the total money raised will be donated to SHIP of Frederick County. SHIP is Frederick County initiative to help homeless youth. www.shipfrederick.com. The remaining 75% will go towards KES Teacher's Wish List needs. The money will go directly to our students and their classrooms to benefit them this year!

Plant Sale

The annual plant sale planning is underway. We would like to know what date is best for pick up this year. Please go to https://s.surveyplanet.com/zrggq_c5 and fill out the best date for you.

Plant sale this year will be order-based. We will send out a digital copy of the brochure towards the end of March.

Yankee Candle

As some of you may be aware, Yankee Candle shipments had some issues this past December. Due to the errors and disruption it caused, Yankee Candle has issued Kemptown with an additional 5% of what we earned overall. Please see the below letter directly from Yankee Candle.

Dear Kemptown PTA and Families,

I would like to personally apologize for the difficulties, inconvenience and frustration that you experienced this past fall/holiday Yankee Candle fundraising season. At Yankee Candle, our customers' satisfaction is our highest priority and we know this past season did not meet the standards to which we are committed. To ensure that this does not happen again we have put new processes in place to return to the high-level of quality and excellent service our customers expect and deserve. We look forward to the opportunity of working with your group again this Spring or Fall and offering you the standards you should expect from us. Additionally, as an extension of our sincere apology, Yankee Candle will be providing Kemptown Elementary School an additional 5% profit which is included with this letter.

We know there are many options when selecting a Fundraiser, and we will work hard to ensure our customers' shopping experience reflects the significant value we place on you. You deserve more and we promise we will do better.

Kind Regards, Jim

Jim Barrett -Fundraising National Sales Manager Home Fragrance - Newell Brands 16 Yankee Candle Way South Deerfield, MA 01373



BINGO Night was a BLAST and everyone was a winner!











Volunteering at KES this year?
Planning to chaperone a field
trip? Or helping with a class
party?

If you plan to participate in any of these ways, please make sure to complete the volunteer training. EVERYONE, must complete this training annually.

Click here to be directed to the training link on KES's website. Don't forget to print and turn in your Confidentiality Agreement when you complete your training! Thanks for volunteering! You make all the difference!

When you volunteer, please log your hours here!