



The Kelley Express



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March, 2020

Dates of Interest

- 2 Read Across America Day
- 2 Budget Heating at DePaolo Middle School 7:00
- 2 Art Club Grades 2 & 3
- 4 School Spirit Day
- 5 Kindergarten Registration
- 6 Be Kind Club Meeting
- 9 Art Club 4 & 5
- 11 PTO Meeting 7:00
- 12 BOE Meeting 7:00
- 16 & 17 Early Dismissal Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 20 5th grade vs. Staff Volleyball Game
- 20 Rock Your Socks Day
- 27 TD Student Banking Day
- 31 Early Dismissal—Professional Development 1:30 dismissal



Dear Parents and Guardians,

It looks like the Groundhog may have gotten it right this year (and I hope I didn't just jinx us)! Mother Nature was kind to us in January and February. Let's hope that continues and Spring's arrival is just around the corner.

There are a lot of important events coming up in March, including Kindergarten Registration and Parent/Teacher conferences. We are also celebrating Read Across America all next week! The schedule for the week is:

Monday- Dress as your Favorite Dr. Seuss Character

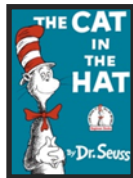
Tuesday- Pajama Day

Wednesday- Wacky Wednesday

Thursday- Crazy Hat/Hair Day

Friday- Wear GREEN Day!

(No donations are being collected for any of the days.)



Always a highlight of the year, our 5th Grade vs. Staff Volleyball Game will be Friday, March 20th. Please note that due to space constraints in the gymnasium, this event is for students and staff only.

Also on March 20th, we will "Rock Our Socks" for World Down Syndrome Day! Students will be asked to donate \$1.00 and wear CRAZY socks. All donations will benefit the Down Syndrome Association of Connecticut. Thank you in advance for your support.

Best regards,

Mrs. Kahl



Parent Conferences

Parent conferences are scheduled for Monday, March 16 and Tuesday, March 17. Students will be released at 1:30 on both days due to Parent-Teacher Conferences.

You will be receiving a conference notification form and we ask you to make a decision on this form and return it to the school as soon as possible. It is difficult for a teacher to reschedule a number of conferences if the forms are not returned. A conference is valuable time between parents and the teacher. It allows private discussion of a child's progress and areas for improvement. The conference also provides time for sharing and planning the needs of a child as a team. In the event inclement weather causes a change in the opening or closing of school on an early release parent conference day, the following will apply:

1. Delayed Opening – report card conferences will be cancelled and students will be dismissed at the regular time.
2. Early Closing – report card conferences will be cancelled and students will be dismissed on the announced early closing schedule. *Cancelled conference days will be rescheduled.*

News from the Library Media Center

In March, we honor the following Birthday Book Club members:

March 7 ~ Matthew Arnold

March 23 ~ Branden Griffin

March 29~ Henry Earley

Happy Birthday from Mrs. Newland, Mr. O'Brien, Mrs. Folcik and all your friends at Kelley School!



What's Cooking?

There's always a meal ready to be served!

Some mornings, it's tough to find the time to make sure your kids are eating a nutritious breakfast. On those days, why not send them to the School Breakfast Program? Each meal meets government nutritional guidelines and standards. Schools are required to provide a breakfast meal that supplies at least $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Recommended Dietary Allowance for protein, calcium, iron, Vitamin A, Vitamin C, and calories. Check your child's menu to see the variety of nutritious choices available at School Breakfast, or stop by to sample the food yourself!



Wondering what is happening in the art room?

Visit our online classroom by clicking <http://5eyeswide.weebly.com>.

Or check us out anytime by going to

Ms. Szymanski's staff website page .



2020- 2021 School Budget

The Board of Finance Public Hearing on next year's school budget is Monday, March 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at DePaolo Middle School.

Please consider attending the Public Hearing.

Reminder~ TD Student Banking
March 27.



Save the Date~ *Spring Photo Day!* Thursday, April 22nd



Box Tops

Congratulations Mrs. Szymanski's class for submitting the most Box Tops for the month of February (\$7.00). The current classroom totals are as follows:

Mrs. Sadowski	\$65.80
Mrs. Risser	\$33.00 (\$.50 from app)
Miss Pitino	\$31.50
Mrs. Veronneau	\$26.80
Miss Ranno	\$25.90
Mrs. Moriarty	\$25.00 (\$5.20 from app)
Mrs. Szymanski	\$24.00
Mrs. Manware	\$22.40 (\$.40 from app)
Miss Bianchini	\$20.40 (\$1.60 from app)
Mrs. Bottiglieri	\$20.20
Mrs. Raczynski	\$12.30 (\$.50 from app)
Mrs. Lasbury	\$9.80
Miss Thoma	\$9.20 (\$.40 from app)
Mrs. Potamis	\$8.40
Mr. Herman	\$8.10 (\$.40 from app)
Mrs. Kelly	\$7.40
Mrs. Pun	\$6.70

We have collected \$356.90 in clipped Box Tops so far for the 2019-2020 school year. Please continue to clip and submit any Box Tops still found on product packages. We get double the money when you scan the receipt that contains products with Box Tops still on packaging. **Receipts must be scanned in the app within 14 days.** The next collection date is April 20th.

Grade 5 Scoliosis Screening for Girls

Postural screening will be conducted in April for girls in Grade 5. The purpose of this program is to recognize the signs of spinal curvature at its earliest stages so that the need for treatment can be determined. Letters will be sent home to all Grade 5 girls explaining the procedure conducted by the school nurse.

Scoliosis, the most common spinal abnormality, is a side-to-side curvature of the spine. It is usually detected in childhood or early adolescence. Most cases of spinal curvature are mild and require only ongoing observation by a physician. In its early years, it is painless and develops gradually, especially during the years of adolescent growth. Mild curvatures are often noticeable only to those trained in detecting spinal abnormalities. Others may become progressively more severe as the child continues to grow. Early treatment can prevent the development of a severe deformity, which can later have an impact on the health and appearance of the child.

Head Lice Prevention Reminder

As we head into spring and summer months head lice prevention continues to be important. Please remember, head lice are common, can be treated, and can happen to anyone.

<u>DO:</u>	<u>DON'T:</u>
Instruct children to keep personal items to self - (combs, brushes, ribbons, hats, etc.)	Panic.
Observe for itching, scratch marks on scalp, live lice and nits strongly attached to hair.	Allow sharing of personal items.
Contact your school nurse and family health care provider if you suspect head lice.	Use any products on your child without checking with his/her doctor.
Follow treatment recommendations.	Send you child to school with live lice or new nits in their hair.
Remove nits. This is an important lice control measure.	
Call your school nurse and health care provider.	
Have your school nurse check your child's hair after treatment and before returning to the classroom.	
Incorporate a head check as part of a normal grooming activity with your child, but inspect hair every other day during lice alerts.	

For more information - <http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/>

*******The 2019-2020 Memory Book!!!!*******

If you would like to pre-order a 2019-2020 Memory Book, please fill out the form below and send it, along with \$21.00 cash or check made out to the Kelley School PTO and put it in an envelope marked Memory Book. Don't delay! Books are sold on a first come first serve basis.

**If you have any questions about the Memory Book, email Agnes Corr
agnescorr@gmail.com**

Parents

Name _____

Child's

Name _____ **Room#** _____

Child's

Name _____ **Room#** _____

Telephone Number _____

Number of books ordered _____ **Amount Enclosed** _____