

January 5, 2022

Happy New Year Westside Families ~

Please take a moment to read our notes for this week which include our January Newsletter. Thank you!

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

Friday, January 7 – Dress Like Mr. Peterson Day

Friday, January 14 – 2:00 Dismissal

Tuesday, January 18 – Pajama Day

Friday, January 21 – Noon Dismissal/End of 2nd Quarter

Friday, January 28 – White-Out/Black-Out Day



SAVE THE DATE

Spring concerts are back! The concerts are scheduled as follows: 5K – Wednesday, March 23 – during the school day 1st – 4th Grades – Tuesday, March 22 and/or Thursday, March 24 – in the evening Additional details will be forthcoming! 😊

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

[Learn to Skate](#) with Valley Figure Skating Club

[Women's History Month Essay Contest](#) (deadline 2/26/2022)

[Literary Competition](#) for Grades 3-12 (deadline 2/11/2022)

Fox Cities [Tech Savvy](#) STEM Conference for 6-9th grade girls

Here's hoping your 2022 is off to a great start! Please let us know if you have any questions – thank you!

Gina Vandenberg
Westside Elementary
920-739-3578

WESTSIDE EAGLES UPDATE



January, 2022

1/7—Dress Like Mr. Peterson Day
1/14— 2:00 DISMISSAL
1/18-Pajama Day
1/21-NOON DISMISSAL and End of 2nd Quarter
1/28-White Out/Black Out Day
2/9-Jersey/Sports/Fav Team Day
2/10— NO SCHOOL
2/11— NO SCHOOL
2/14-Red/Pink/Purple Day
2/18— 2:00 DISMISSAL
2/24-Pattern Day
3/4— 2:00 DISMISSAL and Camo Day
3/11-NOON DISMISSAL
3/17—Shamrock/Green Day
3/26-End of 3rd Quarter
3/29-Orange Day



A Message from our Principal

Greetings from Westside Elementary,



It was great seeing all the smiling faces of our students come back on Monday! I hope all of our families had a restful and fun break together. Our students on the whole seemed rested and ready to get back to learning.

Before I get too far into this newsletter, I do want to acknowledge all of our parents and students for being flexible in these ever changing times! No decision a school district will make in the next few months will be popular with any majority. However, in our little Westside community I appreciate how understanding our parents have been regardless of how you feel about the decisions that have to be made. This year has provided many opportunities for us adults to model how we can be respectful to each other, even when we disagree. Thank you again!

At the end of January our 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade students will be taking the MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) test. This test focuses on growth over achievement and provides our staff with awesome data to see what our students have learned and what the next learning could look like. This test is way shorter than the state mandated Forward test. We view all of these tests as just another piece of the puzzle when it comes to our students' learning and well being. Westside's staff tries to make them as fun as they can and as stress free as possible! However, some students can get very anxious when it comes to taking tests. If you know your child is getting nervous about any tests please communicate that with your child's teacher. That information is just as important as the data we get from the test! When it comes to teaching and learning we firmly believe in teaching the whole child. Addressing test anxiety is something our staff is well versed in. (Teachers get nervous about taking tests too!) We are happy to work with all students to develop tools to deal with that anxiety that they can use in other situations as well.

Make no mistake, our Westside students are more than numbers. We care deeply for all of our students that walk through our doors each day! We work diligently to meet their social and emotional needs as much as their academic needs.

I hope your new year is off to a great start!

Warm Regards,

Jonathan



Mr. Jonathan Peterson
Principal

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OFFICE HOURS: 7:30-4:00



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FROM KASD: ARE YOU ON OUR MAILING LIST?

Are you on our mailing list? We want to ensure parents of young children (age 0-5) in our District are on our mailing list, so you can receive information relative to your child's age group, such as early childhood screening information or 4K and 5K registration information. We also need to have information for all children age 0-21 for state reporting. Click on this link <https://goo.gl/DFjSne> to complete the census form, or complete and mail the census form found here <https://goo.gl/TkNvX6>. If you know of other families with children in our District that may not be in our system, please help us by sharing this information with them.

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

Winter is upon us! If weather conditions dictate that there will be no school or a delayed start, a decision to keep the schools closed is usually made by 6:00 a.m. Parents with students in school receive a direct call, text and/or email from our auto-call system through Infinite Campus since that is the fastest way to communicate with thousands of parents at one time.

As a reminder: If you have a new phone number or email address, please update your information in the Infinite Campus parent portal or contact your school's secretary to update the portal. Also, weather alerts go out using the "General Notification" make sure you have the "General" box checked when verifying your Infinite Campus notifications.

Announcements are also sent to local T.V. and radio stations, please tune to local stations such as these rather than call the school directly: WAPL-105.7FM, WIXX-101.1FM, WHBY-103.5FM, WKFX-104.9FM, WEMI-91.9 FM, WTAQ-97.5FM/1360AM, WWWX-96.9FM and WGEE-93.5FM; and WBAY-TV2, WFRV-TV5, WGBA-TV26, and WLUK-FOX11. If other school events, such as concerts or sporting events are also cancelled because of weather, they are typically communicated through these stations as well.

The District's website and Facebook page are not our primary way to communicate school closures, so we ask parents to listen to the auto-call messages or tune in to the radio and T.V. stations listed for the timeliest updates.



WINTER IS ALMOST HERE.

Are your Infinite Campus settings up-to-date?



Kimberly Area School District

General Notification:

Weather Alerts, School Closings, Food Service, School or District Messages



Contact Information	Private	Delivery Device	Emergency	Attendance	Behavior Messenger	Staff	General	Food Service	Priority
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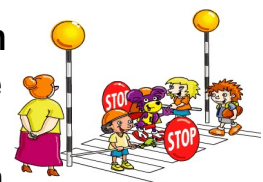
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IMPORTANT REMINDER—DROP OFF and PICK UP






- DROP OFF - We ask that students not congregate in the AM, and they should arrive no earlier than 8:25 AM at which point they go directly to their classrooms to start the day.
- Our building is open at 8:00 for students who are here for breakfast.
- Since we dismiss at 3:35 each day, we ask that all students are picked up promptly. Our students will wait outside for their rides as long as the temps are above 0 degrees.

THANK YOU CROSSING GUARDS!!

During the week of January 17-21 we celebrate **Crossing Guard Appreciation Week** and we'd like to give a quick "shout out" and "thank you" to our awesome crossing guards! Our students and staff are working on ways to express our thanks! No matter what the weather or circumstance, our crossing guards do a great job keeping us safe!



JANUARY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Happy New Year! 
2	3 Classes Resume	4	5	6	7 Dress Like Mr. Peterson Day!	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 2:00 Dismissal	15
16	17 Crossing Guard Appreciation Week 	18 Pajama Day	19	20	21 NOON Dismissal End of 2nd Quarter	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 White Out/Black Out Day	29
30	31					

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January Life Skills

5k

Lesson 1: Managing Frustration and Calming Down
Strong Feelings

Lesson 2: Managing Anger and Disappointment

Connect @ home: Ask your student(s) about the
phrase "Stop, Name your Feelings, Calm down"

1st

Lesson 1: Feelings Change

Lesson 2: Calming Down Anger and Using Positive
Self-Talk

Connect @ home: Ask your student(s) about the
phrase "Stop, Name your Feelings, Calm down"

2nd

Lesson 1: Coping Skills Centers Practice

Lesson 2: Using Coping Skills to calm down

Connect @ home: Ask your student(s) which Coping
Skills they like to use most! Share with them what helps
you calm down.

3rd

Lesson 1: Accepting Differences and Showing
Compassion

Lesson 2: Managing Disappointment and Hurt Feelings

Connect @ home: Asking your student(s) about how
they use empathy to show compassion and help others

4th

Lesson 1: Career: Marketing / Sales

Lesson 2: Career: Arts and Agriculture

Connect @ home: Ask your student(s)
about the careers they have learned
about and what career they might be
interested in some day



Looking Forward:

We have spent most of these first few
months focusing on social / emotional
topics. The next few months we will focus
on other types of skills! 4th grade is
already starting on career in January, and
the other grades will be starting in
February.

Check out these Career Resources by
clicking on the link:

[Academic and Career Planning at KASD](#)

[Career Clusters](#)

[Career Videos](#)



COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

When monitoring for COVID-19 symptoms, parents/guardians and students should look for:

Major symptoms (Students should stay home and take a COVID-19 test if ONE symptom from this list is present): Fever (above 100.4), cough (above baseline), new loss of taste/smell, trouble breathing/shortness of breath

Minor symptoms (Students should stay home and take a COVID-19 test if TWO symptoms from this list are present): Congestion/runny nose (above baseline), chills, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, headache (above baseline), body aches, unusual fatigue, sore throat (above baseline)



COVID protocols vary on a case-by-case basis, but are based on CDC/Wisconsin DHS guidelines. Generally however, protocols will be:

IF MY CHILD...	AND IS...	THEN HE/SHE/THEY SHOULD...
Tests positive for COVID-19	Unvaccinated or vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quarantine for 10 days from symptom onset or positive test result, return on day 11
Has COVID-19 symptoms	Unvaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay home Take a COVID-19 test Stay home while awaiting test results Return to school with a negative result Begin 10 day quarantine with a positive result (or if do not test), return on day 11
Has COVID-19 symptoms	Vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow typical illness protocol, stay home until 24 hours fever free COVID-19 test encouraged
Is a close contact to a positive case at school and is masked	Unvaccinated or vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain in school and monitor for symptoms
Is a close contact to a positive case	Unvaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quarantine for 10 days after last close contact without testing, or Quarantine 7 days after last close contact, with a negative test result collected on day 6 or 7, return on day 8 (provide a copy of the test result to the school)
Is a close contact to a positive case	Vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain in school and monitor for symptoms
Is a close contact and had COVID-19 in last 90 days	Unvaccinated or vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain in school and monitor for symptoms



Join OUR TEAM!






Kimberly Area School District is seeking support from our community. Make a difference and consider becoming a **substitute teacher** or a **substitute paraprofessional**.

APPLY NOW AT
kimberly.k12.wi.us/careers

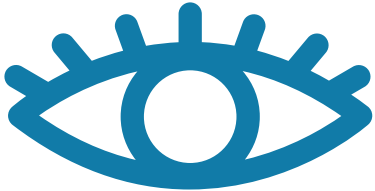


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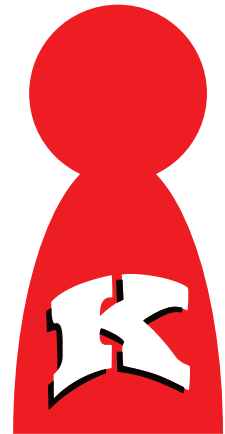
FLEXIBLE & REWARDING

-  Earn extra income while your child is at school.
-  Turn your volunteer hours into a paid position.
-  No prior teaching experience needed.
-  Maintain a flexible work schedule.
-  Help students succeed.

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING



SAY SOMETHING



IF YOU
See something
Read something
Hear something
Know something
Then you should
SAY SOMETHING



TELL YOUR
Parent
Teacher
Principal
School Counselor
School Secretary
Librarian
Any Trusted Adult
*Or Call 911 for
Emergencies*

We are encouraging school and community members to become the eyes and ears of the Kimberly Area School District in order to provide information that keeps our students, staff and schools safe.

It sometimes can be difficult to define:

- Take your time to pay attention to your surroundings and to the behaviors of others around you.
- Know what suspicious or concerning behaviors look like.
- Does the activity look strange to you?
- Are you worried someone you know is thinking about hurting others or themselves?

Report it, don't just repeat it.



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*See Something, Say Something® is modeled after
the Department of Homeland Security's program.*

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Weekend Backpack Program

In partnership with the St. Joseph Food Program

Are you in need of extra food on the weekend when school meals are not available?

WE CAN HELP!

We will provide you with a bag of basic, small meals & snacks (per child) that will be sent home on Fridays during the school year.

There is no need to provide documentation to be eligible.

Contact your child(ren)'s school counselor
or the KASD School Social Worker, Katie DeLain at:
423-4159 or kdelain@kimberly.k12.wi.us

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



IF YOUR FAMILY LIVES IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

In a shelter



In a motel or campground due to the lack of an alternative adequate accommodation



In a car, park, abandoned building, or bus or train station



Doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship

Your school-age children may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.

Your eligible children have the right to:

- Receive a free, appropriate public education.
 - Enroll in school immediately, even if lacking documents normally required for enrollment.
 - Enroll in school and attend classes while the school gathers needed documents.
 - Enroll in the local school; or continue attending their school of origin (the school they attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled), if that is your preference.
- * If the school district believes that the school you select is not in the best interest of your children, then the district must provide you with a written explanation of its position and inform you of your right to appeal its decision.
- Receive transportation to and from the school of origin, if you request this.
 - Receive educational services comparable to those provided to other students, according to your children's needs.

If you believe your children may be eligible, contact the local liaison to find out what services and supports may be available. There also may be supports available for your preschool-age children.



Local Liaison

KASD Homeless Liaison
Rob DeLain
920.788.7905

State Coordinator

WI State Coordinator
Kristine Nadolski
608.267.7338

If you need further assistance with your children's educational needs,
contact the National Center for Homeless Education:
1-800-308-2145 * homeless@serve.org * <http://nche.ed.gov>

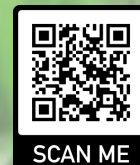
VILLAGE OF KIMBERLY PARKS & RECREATION

Summer Baseball Leagues

Online registration is now open for all leagues. Options for ages 3–13, all ability levels. Leagues begin as soon as mid-May and conclude in late July. Registration closes March 13th and early bird pricing ends January 31st, register today!

Register any time at:

<https://kimberly.recdesk.com/Community/Program>



SCAN ME



Youth Lacrosse Parent Meeting

Date: February 1st

Time: 7:00PM-8:00PM

Location: Combined Locks Civic Center

Come and learn more about our fast-growing Kimberly Lacrosse Youth Program. Even if your child has never picked up a lacrosse stick, come find out more about what this fun, team sport has to offer. Parents of current players are also asked to join to learn about this upcoming season of fun, team lacrosse!

Questions? Please contact;
kimberlylacrosseclub@gmail.com



KBO PLAYER EVALUATIONS

Parents are encouraged
to stay and watch

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February 5th, 2022

8U - (2nd Grade) - 8:45 check in - Evaluation-9am-10am

7U - (1st Grade) 10:30 check in - Evaluation-10:45am-11:45am

There will be a parent meeting after they get started.

WHAT TO BRING:

BAT, GLOVE, CLEATS (NOT METAL) OR CLEAN SHOES TO WEAR IN THE FACILITY
(PLEASE LABEL ALL EQUIPMENT)

KBO & KHS WOULD APPRECIATE ALL ATHLETES TO WEAR A 2ND PAIR OF SHOES SO THEY DON'T
TRACK STUFF INTO THE INDOOR FACILITY ON THE TURF.

THERE WILL BE A CHECK IN STATION WITH ASSIGNED COLORED JERSEYS AND NUMBERS. BASE-
BALLS WILL BE PROVIDED NO NEED TO BRING ANY OF YOUR OWN.

**Parents please drive around the High School and park in
the back of the building*

BUZZ IN KIMBERLY SCHOOLS KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



Is your child going to be 4 or 5 years old by September 1, 2022?

IT'S TIME TO ENROLL YOUR NEWEST PAPERMAKER FOR 2022-2023!

Residents in the Kimberly Area School District can now register their newest Papermaker in Kindergarten.

Registration is quick and easy...

1. Complete the required forms online at <http://www.kimberly.k12.wi.us/parents/registration>
 - If you do not have computer access, computers will be available at any of KASD's schools or the District office.
 - If you are unable to stop in during normal business hours, please contact the school secretary to set-up a time to stop in.
2. Birthdates are confirmed through the Wisconsin Immunization Registry. For non-immunized students or students registering from out of state an ORIGINAL birth certificate must be brought in at some point after you have registered online. The birth certificate can be brought to any of the schools listed on the right or KASD's District Office.

The Kimberly Area School District takes a nurturing approach to 4K and 5K development. It is expected, as with all grades, that students will be ready for the next grade level at the end of the school year.

4K CENTER FOR LITERACY

614 East Kimberly Avenue, Kimberly
Phone: (920) 423-4190

JANSSEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

420 Wallace Street, Combined Locks
Phone: (920) 788-7915

SUNRISE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

N9363 Exploration Drive, Appleton
Phone: (920) 954-1822

WESTSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

746 West Third Street, Kimberly
Phone: (920) 739-3578

WOODLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

N9085 North Coop Road, Appleton
Phone: (920) 730-0924



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Instilling Perseverance in Children

It's easy for a child to give up on a task that seems too difficult. However, encouraging your child to persevere to accomplish a task is a great way to build their self-confidence, as well as show how rewarding it can be to overcome difficulties and accomplish something they thought they couldn't.

Why Teaching Perseverance is Important

If children are permitted to just give up on a task they think is too hard, they may eventually develop a fear of trying to overcome obstacles in their lives or of trying new things. However, by being persistent when they're trying to learn a new subject in school or a new task, children will learn the value of hard work and how good it feels when they accomplish something they consider difficult.

Being persistent can also help children develop self-confidence. When they do persevere and accomplish something, children need to have their perseverance reinforced with praise from their teachers and parents. For small children, learning to tie their shoes can be difficult, but if they persevere, they'll master tying their shoes and move on to learn the next new skill. Praise children for their efforts and accomplishments to help build their self-esteem and confidence.

How to Teach Perseverance

Children usually learn from their parents by watching and imitating their behavior. If their parents give up on difficult tasks easily, children will learn that behavior as well. However, if parents can model perseverance by continuing to make an effort to learn new skills, overcome difficulties, and accomplish their goals. When their parents are rewarded with a promotion and/or pay raise, children will learn there can be reward for persevering on a task.

Parents can also use language to help children make the connection between their hard work and success. For instance, rather than just giving general praise, tell them that their practice has paid off - that playing their instrument, their grade in math class, or their sports performance has gotten much better. Make the direct connection between their perseverance and their accomplishments. Not only will they learn to persevere, but they can learn self-discipline as well.



Remember



- Adults need to model perseverance for children •
- Praise children by connecting their accomplishments with their hard work •
- Teaching perseverance will help them build confidence, boost self-esteem, and learn self-discipline •





Westside PTO

**COME TO OUR
MEETINGS!**

**FIRST MONDAY OF
THE MONTH @ 6 PM**

We're raising money for exciting upcoming activities and upgrades to the school! Show your support by coming to meetings, shopping Amazon Smile or donating directly!

**FOR MORE INFO, TEXT
920-358-4489**

WESTSIDE PTO



PIZZA

EATON'S PIZZA

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COMING SOON!