Kalida Elementary

August, 2016

Welcome Back

The 2016-2017 school year will begin Tuesday, August 23. Opening day is often an exciting time for everyone. There are a few new faces and some other changes, so get excited for an absolutely, wonderful school year.

August Hours

The elementary office is now open every day from 7:30 - 3:30 pm. The first day for students is Tuesday, August 23. Please have students here by 7:55.

Welcome Aboard

Please join me in welcoming 2 new faces on the KES staff. Mrs. Jessica Wischmeyer will be teaching 3rd grade and Mrs. Adriene Swyers will be the Elementary Media Center Coordinator/Technology Assistant.

Baby, Oh baby!!

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Recker. Anne Marie was born on July 22. Mrs. Recker teaches kindergarten at KES.

Busing Information

There have been a few changes regarding our bus routes. For some families, this may result in a different route and driver. Unless you are contacted, pick up times should be similar to last year. A drivers' meeting was recently held to finalize routes. If you have questions or have made changes to your child's busing schedule, please call the school.

Kindergarten Orientation

Kindergarten students and their parents are invited to an orientation session on Thursday, August 18, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. This will begin in the child's homeroom.

Headphones/Earbuds

As our students continue to utilize technology on a regular basis, we are asking each student K-12 to bring in their own set of headphones/earbuds. This is for sanitary purposes, as well as, for a comfortable fit for the student.

Release Time

Kalida Elementary will continue to grant release time for elementary students during morning hours. For any student to participate, a parent permission form must be completed and on file in the office.

Back to School Night

Our annual Back to School Night will be Thursday, August 18, from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Parents and students are invited to meet their teacher, drop off school supplies and check out their classroom. The office will also be open to allow parents to pay book fees and lunch money, and purchase recorders for music, if necessary. Forms that are usually distributed the first day of school will also be available so parents have more time to complete them.

Drop Offs and Pickups

This year, we ask parents to only use Fourth Street to drop off students. The gym entrance will be used for bus student drop off and exceptions only. It is <u>extremely</u> important to use only the east curb side nearest the elementary building when dropping off students in the morning. This is to ensure your child's safety so they do not have to cross in front of oncoming traffic. Dropped off students must enter the main doors by the office. Students being picked up at the end of the day are dismissed at 2:50. Cars picking up students must be gone by 2:55 so our buses may take their loading positions along Fourth Street at that time.

Handbooks, Newsletters, Other Information

The Elementary Handbook can be found on our school web page. A Handbook Sign-off sheet indicating that you reviewed the handbook with your child will be sent home at the Back to School Night or on the first day of classes. If you need a hard copy, please let us know. Monthly newsletters and other information can be found on our home page: www.kalida.k12.oh.us Additional information, especially classroom information can be found on Schoology. Information on Schoology will be distributed at Back to School Night.

Cafeteria

Daily elementary lunches cost \$2.35 and extra milk is 50 cents. Money should be sent in a sealed envelope with the child's name, PIN#, and amount written on the outside of the envelope. Account balances may be checked online. Free and reduced meal applications will be distributed at the Back to School Night or sent home on the first day of school. The reduced lunch price is 40 cents.

Calendar of Events

Aug 18 – Kdg. Orientation/Back to School Night Aug 23 – First Day of School Sept 12 – 2 Hour Delay/Staff In-service

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2016-17 CALENDAR

August

- 18 Teacher Meetings/Work Day
- 18 Back to School Night
- 23 First Day for Students

September

- 5 No Classes-Labor Day
- 12 2 Hr. Delay Staff Development
- 23 Mid Term Reports
- 28 School Pictures

October

- 27 End of First Nine Weeks
- 28 Quarter Break No Classes

November

- 2 Picture Retakes
- 4 Report Cards Distributed
- 7-11 Parent/Teacher Conference Sign-up
- 21 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 22 Parent/Teacher Conferences No Classes
- 23 No Classes
- 24-27 Thanksgiving Holiday No Classes

December

- 2 Mid-Term Reports
- 5-9 Kindergarten Registration
- 21 Last Day for 2016

January

- 3 Classes Resume for 2016
- 13 End of Second Nine Weeks
- 16 Martin Luther King Day No Classes
- 20 Report Cards Distributed

February

- 17 Mid-term Reports
- 20 Presidents' Day No Classes

March

- 17 End of Third Nine Weeks
- 24 Report Cards Distributed

April

- 14-17 Spring/Easter Break
- 18 Classes Resume
- 21 Mid-term Reports

May

- 23 Last Day of Classes for 2016-17
- 24 Teacher Work Day
- 28 KHS Graduation Class of 2017

Kalida Elementary Faculty and Staff 2016-17

Superintendent, Mr. Karl Lammers Principal, Mrs. Kathleen J. Verhoff Secretary, Mrs. Marcia Vennekotter Mrs. Mary Smith 6A Mrs. Blyth Turnwald 6B Mrs. Alison Luderman 5A Mrs. Wendy Stechschulte 5B 4A Mrs. Michele Niese 4B Mrs. Kayla Stechschulte Mrs. Lori Erhart 3A 3B Mrs. Jessica Wischmeyer 2A Mrs. Jill Laudick 2B Mrs. Darlene Imm 2C Mrs. Deb Eickholt 1A Ms. Pat Broecker 1B Mrs. Cheryl Koch 1C Mrs. Kelly Siefker Kg.A Mrs. Nancy Kaufman Mrs. Deb Kahle Kq.B Kg.C Mrs. Jessica Recker Mrs. Lori Fischer I.S. P.E. Mrs. Kristen Stechschulte Music Mrs. Mary Glick Band Mr. Jacob Litwiller Paraprofessional, Mrs. Gina Erhart Paraprofessional, Mrs. Linda Schmenk Guidance, Mr. Jeff Clement Technology Coordinator, Mr. Jeremy Okuley HS Tech/Media Specialist, Mrs. Denise Scherer ES Media/ES Tech Asst., Mrs. Adriene Swyers Library Aide, Mrs. Mary Lou Hoffman School Psychologist, Mrs. Julie Amstutz Speech, Mrs. Laurie Lindeman Maintenance, Mr. Ken Stechschulte Maintenance, Mr. Dan Bellmann Cafeteria, Mrs. Doris Stechschulte Cafeteria, Mrs. Sue Clementz Cafeteria, Mrs. Jean Smith Teacher Aide, Mrs. Chris Schroeder