Principal’s Message

Dear Kendall Families,

September has included many start up activities to welcome in another school year. Thank you for attending Curriculum Night. Our staff enjoys the time to spend uninterrupted with parents. They appreciate your involvement, willingness to share thoughts, questions, and concerns.

August and September teacher professional development has been off to a strong start. Learning thus far included Math Common Core instruction and planning, data analysis used to design early intervention in literacy and math, CHAMPS classroom management instruction and personal goal setting through development of a Continued Learning Plan.

A special thank you for the PTA presentations made by our very own Ms. Majchrowski-5th grade teacher, on Math Common Core, Mrs. Olson-Student Services Coordinator and Mrs. McDermott-Interventionist, on implementation of CHAMPS in our lunchroom. Their presentations provided attending parents a great understanding for both with opportunity for questions.

Keep connected in 21st century style:
• Visit our Kendall website regularly
• Sign up for Kendall’s E-Mailing List
• Sign up for District 204’s E-News
• Visit your child’s classroom blog using Edline

Cozy fall evenings are perfect for curling up with a good book. As the cooler weather and shorter days bring your child indoors earlier, take advantage of the time to get hooked on reading!

Sincerely,

Lena Guerrieri
Principal
President’s Message

Dear Kendall Families:

The PTA has been hard at work planning our fall festival which will be held on October 12th. The festival will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. It should be a fun time for all.

Fundraising is an essential part of our PTA. Without fundraisers, we would not be able to have all the exciting events and special days our kids look forward to. These include skate night, which will be held on October 16th, and our fall room parties which will be held on October 31st.

Please support our PTA by participating in our fall fundraiser through Market Day. Forms are due October 17th. We will have a restaurant fundraiser at Panera on October 25th with Kendall receiving 20% of all proceeds.

Congratulations to Mrs. Breese's second grade class for winning our PTA membership contest! 93% of her classroom are PTA members. Currently, 50% of our families have joined the PTA. If you have not already done so, please take time to join today. A membership form is enclosed in this newsletter.

Our PTA is committed to working with you to make enriching and memorable experiences for all our students. If you have any questions regarding the PTA, please feel free to contact any of our officers.

Vicky Chow
PTA President

Free Fundraisers for Kendall

Please support our Patriots by participating in these easy fundraisers.

**General Mills Box Tops for Education:**
Keep on clipping those box tops. All those dimes add up to dollars very quickly. We only get two chances in a school year to redeem our box tops; October and March. PLEASE do not hold on to your box tops. They do EXPIRE, so if you have them, send them in. For more information go to www.boxtops4education.com.

**Tyson Project A+:**
Tyson labels are worth $.24 each and can be found on over 50 Tyson products in your grocer’s freezer. For more information go to http://www.tyson.com/projectaplus/. These clippings can be placed in the designated box in the LMC.

**Target:**
Take Charge of Education. Sign up for a Target Visa or a Target Card. Visit www.target.com/tcoe or call 1-800-316-6142 and designate Kendall Elementary as your school to receive up to 1% of your purchases. Kendall recently raised $1,564.79 via this fundraiser!

**Meijer Community Rewards:**
Sign up for a Meijer credit card. Visit www.meijer.com or call 1-800-962-7011 and designate Kendall Elementary as your school of choice to receive 1% of your purchases. Our organization code is 694295.

**Box Tops Marketplace:**
If you love to shop online, start your shopping at www.boxtops4education.com. Click on the Box Tops marketplace tab and check out all the participating stores and catalog companies that give a percentage of your purchases to our school.

Thanks to all the families who continue to support these free fundraisers! If you have any questions, please call Christine Henderson at 630-922-5424.
IPPC Report
Submitted by Heidi Holm

The Indian Prairie Parents' Council met on 9/20/12 for their first meeting of the year. Jane Wernette from NCTV, Channel 17 discussed ways schools can promote their distinct activities through NCTV. There were also speakers from 204 Support Services, as well as District Superintendent Kathy Birkett who answered questions from IPPC members. A Winter Coat/Boot drive will be held October 15th through October 26th. Indian Prairie Special Needs is having a BINGO night at Still Middle School from 6-8pm and a Resource Fair on November 13. Reflections turn-ins from schools are due to school on Tuesday, October 24th. There will be a district wide conference for DWR/D36 on Wednesday, October 10 at Welch Elementary School from 6pm-9pm. All are invited to attend. Topics will be STEM, Leadership and building strong standing rules within your PTA.

Volunteer Program

BMO Harris Bank is recognizing one volunteer each month who has generously given his or her time to support District 204's students and schools. To celebrate these outstanding volunteers, BMO Harris Bank will donate $1,000 to the volunteer's school. Help your school receive $1,000 and honor a special volunteer!

Nomination Criteria

Anyone can nominate an outstanding volunteer. Nominations will be for an individual (no clubs, groups, committees, etc.). The nomination includes a 500-word essay that outlines the accomplishments of the volunteer. The essay will address the following criteria:

This Volunteer:
- Initiates, develops, and/or implements outstanding volunteer programs in support of school goals, with emphasis on programs that address academic, at-risk and/or socio-emotional student needs
- Displays outstanding performance in volunteer tasks
- Displays a high degree of willingness to assist other volunteers, staff members, and/or student
- Displays a high degree of commitment and constancy to the volunteer program,
- Maintains good relations with students, staff, volunteers, and the community
- Performed the work described during the 2012-13 school year

Nominations are due the last day of each month. All nominations submitted will remain in consideration until the end of the current school year.

PTA Calendar

October 12 - PTA Fall Carnival 5:30-7:30 p.m. (open to students with special needs at 5:00 p.m.)

October 16 - PTA Skate Night 6-8:30 p.m.

October 17 - PTA Fundraiser ends

October 24 - Reflections due

October 25 - PTA Panera Fundraiser

October 31 - PTA Fall Parade 1:45 p.m.
PTA Fall Parties 2:15 - 3 p.m.
To all our returning PTA members, thank you for your continued support. For those new to Kendall Elementary, here’s an opportunity to become a member of a great organization, the Kendall PTA! As a Kendall PTA member, a portion of your fees supports both the Illinois PTA and the National PTA, the largest child advocacy group in the country.

The remainder of your fees, along with money earned through PTA fundraisers, is used to enrich your child’s educational experience at Kendall. Our PTA sponsors activities such as charity drives, social events, educational enrichment programs and school presentations. The PTA also supplies our annual Staff & Student Directory, which includes staff and student phone numbers, class rosters, PTA phone numbers and a calendar of events for the year.

Membership does not recruit you as a PTA volunteer. A PTA member is eligible to vote at all PTA meetings and elections. PTA members will also receive the Directory as part of their membership privileges.

Please fill out and return to school, in an envelope marked “PTA Membership”. Please make check (no cash) payable to Kendall PTA in the amount of **$12.00 per person or $20.00 per family**. A family membership allows for two members at a discounted membership rate.

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LMC Birthday Book Club Program

The Library Media Center sponsors a Birthday Book Club program for all Kendall students (and staff too). Each student is invited to donate a new book of his/her choice in honor of his/her birthday. Hardcover books are preferred because they withstand many circulations, and these books are very popular with the student body. These donations are processed and added to the LMC collection. Each book has a donated book plate inside the front cover that lists the name of the student and his/her birthday. Students donating books are the first to check out the books. When returned, the books are placed on a special Birthday Book Club display. At the end of the school year a special party is held to honor all Birthday Book Club members who donated during the year.

Students wishing to donate new books for this program are invited to bring the books to the LMC to either Mrs. Gutmann or Mrs. Sassano who will record the student’s name, class and birthday to be placed on the donated book plate. Thank you in advance to everyone who supports this program! For those interested in suggestions for books to donate, please watch for a forthcoming list on the Kendall LMC Edline web page (https://www.edline.net).

If you have a question regarding the Birthday Book Club program please contact Heidi Holm @ (630) 904-2801 or heidi@holmteam.net.

October Greetings from the LMC!
Submitted by Mrs. Gutmann

Thank you to everyone who supported the recent book fair sponsored by the LMC. Your support will help purchase another SmartBoard for Kendall as well as additional materials for the LMC. To those parents who volunteered their time to help set up the fair and who helped students create their wish lists, select materials for purchase, and assisted at the cashier’s table, a HUGE THANK YOU! The success of this book fair was due, in great part, to your help.

For more information about what’s happening in the LMC, please check out the Kendall school website by clicking on the LMC link in the Navigation pane on the left. You are also welcome to access the LMC web page on Edline <http://www.edline.net>. Just login and use the “Classes” link at the top of your child’s classroom page to access the LMC page and other Kendall staff pages. You will learn what students have been doing in the LMC since the start of school.
PTA FALL CARNIVAL
FRIDAY, OCT 12TH 5:30-7:30
OPEN TO OUR STUDENTS W/SPECIAL NEEDS AT 5:00

ALL KENDALL STUDENTS & YOUNGER SIBLINGS WELCOME
(WITH PARENT/ADULT SUPERVISION)

GAMES, PRIZES, DJ, BOUNCE HOUSE

PIZZA, SODA, WATER & POPCORN AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

PLEASE BRING A BAG FOR YOUR PRIZES!

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS
IF YOU KNOW ANY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS LOOKING FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS PLEASE CONTACT SUE HORAN AT SHORAN3@MAC.COM
Fall Coat & Boot Drive

Fall is the time of year to clean out our closets, and during the month of October, we are holding a district-wide winter coat & boot collection. Due to the growing need in our district, we are collecting new and gently-used, warm, clean coats and boots of all sizes from infant to adult. The items will be distributed to families in need within our district in early November.

Please drop off your donations in the Fall Coat & Boot Drive box outside of the Kendall Elementary main office from October 15th – October 26th

Thank you for your generosity!

If you have any questions about the coat drive in your school, please contact Shelli Mannisto at shellij@mannisoto.org or contact IPPC 2nd Vice President Melanie Hinds at ippcpta@gmail.com. Please put COAT DRIVE in the subject line.
Traffic Safety Reminders

• Front car drop off and pick up is for carpooling with three (3) or more children. Side car is for anything less than three.
• Please note there are several restricted areas for parking on both Pradel Drive and Meadow Lake Drive. The restricted areas are marked clearly with City of Naperville signs and are enforced by the Naperville Police Department. We ask you respect these areas and use our front and side car pick up lines provided.
• Staff begins their morning supervisory duties at 8:50 a.m. Please assist us in our duties by not dropping off your child before this time.
• Parking in the staff parking lot is unsafe for children. They cross lanes of moving traffic. Parents are asked to please use front or side car drop off/pick up lines provided for students.
• Review a rainy day dismissal plan at home with your child to avoid confusion at dismissal. Please call the office NO LATER THAN 3:00 p.m. to make any necessary dismissal changes.
• We remind and practice with students to not walk close to the painted curbs in our pick up lines because of the moving vehicles. Please remind your child. We appreciate your assistance.
• Utilize the second “passing lane” to go around cars.
• Please remain in your car during drop off/pick up. The staff is present to guide your child to your car.
• It is the law... no cell phone usage in school zones during school hours.

We appreciate your assistance and cooperation.

Notes from the Office

Kendall Attendance Line
The attendance line is accessed by dialing our main number; 630-428-7100 and pressing 3.

When Sending Money to School
When sending money to school, please make sure it is placed in an envelope marked with your child’s name, class and what the money is for. Example: hot lunch, field trip, book order, chorus shirt, PTA enrichment, etc. Loose checks and money can easily get lost. Also, please make sure your child’s name is in the memo section and your updated address and phone number appear on the check.

How do I know when my student’s lunch balance is running low?
Create your FREE account by visiting:
www.mypamentsplus.com
• check account balances online
• receive e-mail reminders when your student’s balance is low
• set up auto-replenish payments

You will need your student’s id number to register. Contact the school office (630-428-7100) if you have any questions.