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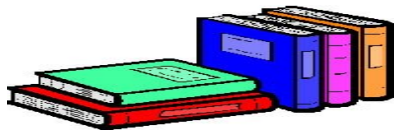
Principal's Corner

Welcome Springtime!!! We are thrilled to have had 8 months with your children. Time is flying by!

As we move into the last 9 weeks of school, please make sure to touch base with your child's teacher for an update on student growth as well as the end of the year promotion expectations. For those students needing extra supports, we will provide Summer School at KLES this year for select Kindergarten through Fourth graders. Attendance invitations and more information will be forthcoming from Reading Coach Mrs. Lisa Crowe.

A shout out to our PE Teachers and Volunteers for a successful Field Day. Thank you for helping all of the boys and girls have a wonderful "physical" day outside with lots of fun activities. My favorite has to be the tug-of-war! The students really seem determined to give it their all...It was great!

Have a wonderful last nine weeks!



*Remember to Read! Read!
Read!*

Mrs. Brenda Wagner, **Principal**



We are gearing up for our end of year progress monitoring (PM3) assessments! Please make an extra effort to have your children at school on time on testing days. This is a tremendous help in allowing them to be comfortably settled when we begin the tests. As you know, if a student arrives after testing begins, they will remain in a designated holding area until testing for that day is complete.

Kindergarten:
ELA Tuesday, April 25th
Math Thursday, April 27th

1st and 2nd grades:
ELA Monday, April 24th
Math Wednesday, April 26th

3rd and 4th grades:
ELA Tuesday, May 2nd
Math Tuesday, May 9th

5th grade:
ELA Wednesday, May 3rd
Math Monday, May 8th

5th grade Science:
Tuesday, May 16th
Wednesday, May 17th

*****Please do not schedule any type of trip, vacation, or appointment during school hours on the days your child is scheduled to test. Also, they may not leave during a testing time. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.**



Mrs. Champayne Ricciardi, **AP**

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DATES TO REMEMBER

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| March 31 April 3 | Grandparents Day |
| March 27 – April 3 | Book Fair |
| April 5 | Spring Pictures |
| April 7 | No School (Districtwide) |
| April 11 | All Pro Dad |
| April 18 | PTO Meeting |
| April 23 | Hot Wheels Share Day |



Do you want to know what's happening at KLES?
Find us on FACEBOOK

Search for "Principal Wagner" profile or click on this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/people/Principal->

Visit us on the web: www.leonschools.net/killearnlakes

Dear Parents,

March has arrived and thoughts are turning toward the school year ending. Grades 3-5 have talked about behavior when using technology. We focused on what the character pillars look like in a technology world. March brought a break and now that we are back we are reminding students that KLES expectations include our 3 R's: Respect, Responsible and Ready to Learn. Thank you to all the parents who support our guidance message of using the pillars of character to make good choices. Respect, Responsible, Trustworthy, Kind, Fair and Citizenship.



Thank you,

Mrs. Gruber,

Guidance Teacher

MARVELOUS MUSIC MOMENTS

March started off with a bang with glow activities in music class. We made rhythms out of glow sticks, used fluorescent scarves and bouncy balls, and played light-up drumsticks, all under the glow of the black lights. It was awesome fun and I hope the students went home and told you all about it!

The next three weeks we will be traveling around the world in music. We will be studying the music and instruments of many different countries. That being said, if you or your family are from another country, I would love to have you teach your child, or even me, a song from your home country. Then I can share it with all of the students. Thanks for your help and I can't wait to hear music from all of the families of Killearn Lakes!

Holly Pursino
Music Teacher

Killearn Lakes Elementary



Spring has sprung as April showers will bring May flowers! As an artist Pablo Picasso was an innovator, and responsible for co-founding the entire Cubist movement alongside Georges Braque. Cubism was an avant-garde art movement that changed forever the face of European painting and sculpture while simultaneously affecting contemporary architecture, music and literature. There had been no other artists, prior to Picasso, who had such an impact on the art world. Kindergarten and first grade are working with shapes making faces experiencing abstract cubism. Second and third grade are exploring animal habitats. Fourth grade students are applying their perspective skills, and fifth grade students are putting things in single point perspective. Look for some master pieces to come home soon!

Mr. Tavares,

Art Teacher

ATTENTION PARENTS

We are making your life simple!
Sign-in and sign-out procedures.
Download the app with this QR code.

Link for iPhone



Link for Android



Friday, April 7 is a Districtwide Spring Holiday

All schools and district offices will be closed and will reopen on Monday, April 10.

OPEN THE POSSIBILITIES
LEONE COUNTY SCHOOLS

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

Killearn Lakes Field Days were awesome, in spite of the weather! We would like to thank our PTO and everyone who came out to volunteer at all of the stations. The kids had a blast, and we couldn't have done it without ALL of you. We'd like to thank our amazing field day coordinator Jennifer Griswold. She made sure that everything ran smoothly!

We want to give a big thank you to Bouncers of Tallahassee for helping with the bounce houses and obstacle course. We enjoyed performances from the Killearn Kids Dance Troupe and the Tallahassee Super Squad Cheerleaders. Thanks to all!!

We are so lucky to have such a supportive group of parents, faculty, and staff. Thank you for all that you do to make Killearn Lakes Elementary a great place to learn and play!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hickman

Ms. Dennis

BIG
Thank You!



Extended Day Enrichment Program

Friendly Reminder

Cycle 9 Fees Due

Friday

April 6, 2023



Media News

We are super busy in the Media Center right now! We are having our 2nd Scholastic Book Fair this week and so far, it's been a great success. We have books for all ages, from PK - 5th grade. We also have books for adults! The book fair runs from March 27- April 3.

We will be having Grandparent's Day on both Friday, March 31 and Monday, April 3. We look forward to seeing everyone there! If you have any questions regarding the bookfair, please email me at hartsfieldd@leonschools.net.

Sincerely,

Debbie Hartsfield (Roddenberry)

Media Specialist





Come Join us at

Killearn Lakes

April 4th, 2023

6:00 - 7:00pm

- Learn more about Killearn Lakes Elementary.
- Come and meet the kindergarten teachers and principals.
- Visit the kindergarten classrooms.
- Meet other kindergarten families.

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“No person shall on the basis of sex (including transgender, gender nonconforming and gender identity), marital status, sexual orientation, race, religion, ethnicity, national origin, age, color, pregnancy, disability, military status or genetic information be denied employment, receipt of services, access to or participation in school activities or programs if qualified to receive such services, or otherwise be discriminated against or placed in a hostile environment in any educational program or activity. including those receiving federal financial assistance, except as provided by law.” No person shall deny equal access or a fair opportunity to meet to, or discriminate against, any group officially affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, or any other youth group listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society.

KLES Mission Statement

Killearn Lakes Elementary School provides students with an equitable learning environment to create and develop lifelong learners.



**Parking
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Rules**

Parking On Campus

When visiting KLES, we have posted visitor parking spaces available as well as multiple parking spaces with no designation. Please be aware of the posted parking signs for assigned parking spots, including handicapped and assigned staff parking.

Thank you!



- Please do not park in any of the reserved parking spaces. These people come and go throughout the school day. Thank you!
- Remember – all afternoon dismissal changes must be in writing and received prior to 2:30 pm.
- Please label all your child’s items (water bottles, lunch boxes, sweaters, jackets, etc...). If they land in lost and found, we can return them to their rightful owner.
- Dress Attire: Parents—little eyes are watching you! Please wear appropriate attire when visiting/ volunteering at KLES.



Nondiscrimination Notification and Contact Information

“No person shall on the basis of sex (including transgender, gender nonconforming and gender identity), marital status, sexual orientation, race, religion, ethnicity, national origin, age, color, pregnancy, disability, military status or genetic information be denied employment, receipt of services, access to or participation in school activities or programs if qualified to receive such services, or otherwise be discriminated against or placed in a hostile environment in any educational program or activity including those receiving federal financial assistance, except as provided by law.” No person shall deny equal access or a fair opportunity to meet to, or discriminate against, any group officially affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, or any other youth group listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society.

An employee, student, parent or applicant alleging discrimination with respect to employment, or any educational program or activity may contact:

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