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KINGS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 6, 2015





This week's school closure adds another day to our make-up schedule. We have make-up days built into our academic calendar over the state-allowed five calamity days. Our makeup days are May 29, June 1, 2, 3, & 4. As of today, our last day of school will be June 2nd.



Upcoming Events

Mar.7—JFB Krazy Karnival, 11:00-4:00 p.m., J.F. Burns Elementary.

Mar.17—Kings Board of Education, 6:30 p.m., KEC, Conf. Rm. 2.

Mar.13—SLE March Madness, 5:30-8:00 p.m., SLE.

Mar.14—BANDcakes, 7:30-11:30 a.m., KHS.

Mar.18—Kings Superintendent Search Focus Groups, 7:00 a.m.,10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m., KEC Conf. Rm. 2.

Mar.21—KME Extravaganza, 11:00-3:00 p.m., KME.

 $More\ event\ information\ can\ be\ found\ at: \\ \underline{http://www.kingslocal.net/Calendar/Pages/default.aspx}$

Kings Has a STATE CHAMPION!

Congratulations to Kings Swimmer Sophomore Megan Sichterman! She is the Ohio High School Division I 2015 **State Champion** in the 100 Butterfly, with a winning time of 54.35. Megan's time is the 4th all-time fastest in the history of the OHSAA State Swim Meet!

please provide feedback by clicking here.



She also finished 8th in the 500 free with a time of 4:58.18. She joined the 200 Freestyle Relay team with Tara Fears, Corinne Baber and Shannon Jelley and earned 12th place.

Megan was also a member of our 400 free relay that finished 17th.

Congratulations to ALL of our state meet swimmers: Senior Tara Fears (20th in the 100 fly, 12th 200 free relay, 17th 400 free relay), Freshman Corinne Baber (12th in the 200 free relay), Freshman Ally Carlin (17th in the 400 free relay), and Freshman Shannon Jelley (17th in 100 fly, 17th in 500 free, 12th in the 200 free relay, and 17th in the 400 free relay.).

Overall, as a team, the Lady Aqua Knights finished 15th out of 55 teams that scored points at the state meet.

Congratulations to our Women's Swim Team. You have made the Kings Community VERY proud!

Superintendent Search Focus Groups RESCHEDULED

Due to this week's inclement weather, the Kings Board of Education Focus Groups have been RESCHEDULED to **Wednesday, March 18, 2015**. Kathy LaSota from the Ohio School Boards Association will be in the district meeting with parents, staff and community members to discuss the process of hiring a permanent superintendent.

Kathy will hold focus group sessions on Wednesday, March 18 at 7 a.m. and/or 7 p.m., as well as a drop in session from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., in Conference Room 2 of the Kings Education Center, 1797 King

Avenue, Kings Mills, OH 45034. If you are unable to attend

Kings Junior Wins Rotary Speech Contest

Congratulations to Kings Junior Mackenzie Mettey who won the Mason-Deerfield Rotary Four-Way Speech Contest this week.

The Four-Way Test Speech Contest, sponsored by Rotary International, is held annually for interested high school students at local and district levels. The speech is presented from memory without the aid of a podium, notes, displays or props, and lasts between four and six minutes. Contestants apply the Four-Way Test which asks the following four things: Is it the TRUTH?, Is it Fair to all concerned, Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS, and Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Each year, two students from Kings High School and two from Mason High School participate in the Mason-Deerfield Timothy J. Spinner.

Rotary contest. This year Mackenzie was joined by Nicholas Froehlich to represent Kings.

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Pictured from L-R: Kings Speech Teacher Peter Moore, Mackenzie, Nick Froehlich, and Rotary Member and Kings Superintendent Timothy J. Spinner.

Mackenzie and Nick presented their speeches in front of Rotary Members and Guests. Mackenzie will compete at the district level at Wright State University on Sunday, March 30, against winners of the individual clubs.

There are 29 Rotary Clubs in Rotary District 6670 (basically southwestern Ohio). Each of the clubs in Rotary District 6670 holds its local contest in Feb/March, and local winners compete in the District 6670 Competition.

Rotary International is a world-wide organization dedicated to serving others. Great emphasis is placed on using one's vocation, not only to serve others, but to establish honesty and integrity as marks of one's profession and involvement in the world of work. The Four-Way Test has a long tradition or use around the world and is a part of Rotary's motto: Service Above Self.

Congratulations to both Mackenzie and Nick for representing Kings in such a great way!



Congratulations to Kings Dance Team- ECC Champs!

Last Saturday, our Kings Cheerleaders and Dance Team competed at the inaugural ECC Cheer and Dance Team Championship. Our Varsity Dance team WON the competition and were named Eastern Cincinnati Conference Champions!

Next on their schedule is a trip to the U.S. Finals in Indianapolis in mid-April. The team received a paid registration bid after a great performance at the JamBash Nashville Nationals at the end of January. Way to go, girls!

Don't forget to "SPRING FORWARD" this weekend! Daylight Savings time 2015 begins at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 8.



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Columbia's Puttin On The Hit's 2015 is in the books! Two sold out shows, 17 groups, and a ton of fun had by all. The Sammy Reagan People's Choice Award Winner from Friday night was Jump Mix (5th). Saturday night's judged winners were from 5th grade: Magic, Funky Town, and Hooked On A Feeling and 6th grade Cruisin' For a Bruisin', Keep Me Hangin' On, and Get Up and Move. The staff selection this year was School House Rock and had all the parents singing "Conjunction Junction! What's your function?" Thanks to Jeff Hamilton for announcing his 19th show! Also thanks to Trisha Sunderhaus and the POTH committee for an excellent weekend of lip syncing and dancing. A big Kings Knights

shoutout to this year's sponsors: Webb Studio of Music, Advocare, Agenter Orthodontics, Coldwell Banker/Trisha Sunderhaus, Addis Roofing, Mac's Pizza, and SpringDot.





KME's Extravaganza Coming SOON!

You won't want to miss this year's KME Extravaganza featuring games, food and drinks, basket raffle, silent auction, balloon art, cake walk, split the pot, and classroom art work.

All the fun takes place on Saturday, March 21 from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at Kings Mills Elementary. This year, park at Kings High School and ride the shuttle busses to KME!

Tickets are available for all events including a \$5 inflatable wristband for unlimited jumping! Check out www.KME-PTO.BLOGSPOT.COM for more information.

Also, as part of this year's Extravaganza, Kings Mills Elementary art teacher Katie Heagan volunteered as a parent of two KME students to take on the 25 classroom projects for the school silent auction. The theme for the class project was influenced by her love for her side business of photography. Each class squeezed together to form a heart with their hands. Each teacher chose a quote to be inserted into the middle of the photograph. Some of the quotes reflect a saying the teachers say daily to their class, while others were influenced by the teachers personal theme or interest. With little hands to larger hands, nail polish to stickers and tattoos, each photograph captures the individuality of the students that come together to create a whole heart. The framed class art work will be auctioned off Saturday, March 21st. Stop by the art room display case to preview the class projects.







KHS Parents and Students: You only have 2 months left to purchase a 2014-2015 Kings High School Yearbook. Click here to BUY NOW!

Thank You KJH PTO!

The KJH PTO provided breakfast before each day of PARCC testing. The PTO paid for 4 days to be catered from Kings Food Service and 2 days were organized through parent and community donations. Ms. Emily Boone, KJH Language Arts Teacher said, "A big thanks to the PTO for providing our kids with such scrumptious breakfasts during testing. Not only does it help us out by giving us some extra time to prepare our rooms, but I know the kids really enjoy extra time to eat, wake-up and socialize! "



The KJH PTO would like to thank Skips, Dunkin Donuts, Meijer, Mac's Pizza, and Agenter Orthodontics for their generosity, as well as the outstanding parent support thru monetary and item donations!



Pictured L-R: Alyssa McIntosh, Ashley Davis, and Ahlivia Johnson.

Rock Sundaes?

Last week, the third graders in Mrs. Elder's Class at South Lebanon Elementary finished up their Rocks and Soils Unit by learning how to create their very own sedimentary rock sundae. The students used real life materials like gravel, sand, crushed seashells and a grout mixture, to replicate the creation of sedimentary rock layers in nature. They even had the opportunity to add their favorite seashell as the 'cherry on top' of their sundae! Mrs. Elder said, "This was a fun investigation as we were able to tie in the many marine fossils found in our area due to the Ordovician period of history, where we used to be an ocean."

Preschoolers Learning About Dinosaurs

Mr. Dan from the Cincinnati Museum Center visited the Kings Preschool Integrated Classrooms to teach the students about dinosaurs. The students learned about different types of dinosaurs, explored fossils of teeth, claws, a T-Rex jaw bone, and even dinosaur droppings! Then, they were able to use brushes and dig like a paleontologist to find dinosaur bones.



Motion with Mousetraps

Sixth grade students at Columbia have been building mousetrap cars. These are cars that run on the potential energy from a mousetrap. As the car moves, the potential energy changes to kinetic energy. Students recorded and graphed their car's movement as part of their Energy and Motion unit.

KINGS HIGH SCHOOL CHAMBER CHOIR TRAVELS TO ST. LOUIS



On February 26-28, the KHS Chamber Choir traveled to St. Louis, Missouri. The students performed for professors Chris Albanese and Ike Eichenberger (Xavier University and University of Missouri-St. Louis, respectively) and learned from them how to grow as a choir on the music they had prepared. They also learned about each school's



music program, majors, and campus life. The capstone experience for the choir musically was a performance at Christ Church Cathedral in St. Louis where, in the words of the students, they were given a chance to hear how angelic a choral sound can be in such a beautiful space. The students highly recommend that everyone who winds up in St. Louis visit the City Museum and be sure to slide

down the 10-story slide! Read more about this amazing place at www.citymuseum.org.

Recordings of the Chamber Choir's cathedral music can be found at www.singatkings.com.

KHS Student in Shakespeare Competition

Kings High School Senior Paige Galberg competed recently at the 2015 English Speaking Union-Cincinnati Shakespeare Competition. Paige had to memorize one sonnet and one monologue. To qualify, Paige won an inschool competition, then went on to compete last Saturday in the semi-final round at Cincinnati's Playhouse in the Park. Kings High School English Teacher Peter Moore

said, "Paige wasn't one of the six finalists chosen to move to the next level, but she had a strong performance. The competition was just tough!"

Kings has been involved in this competition for 15 years.



Book Swap at SLE

This week at South Lebanon Elementary, they had a Book Swap to celebrate Read Across America. Kindergarteners Leo Hernandez (Miss Riggby's class, upper left) and Colin Mitchell (Ms. Mellendorf's class, lower right) could not wait to read their new books!



KHS CHOIR STUDENTS IN OMEA EVENTS

Congratulations to the following students who performed at Solo & Ensemble at Blanchester HS on February 14th! All singers received either a Superior (I) or Excellent (II) rating after singing a prepared piece for a judge. These students, who study voice privately with a coach, also received credit toward their Honors requirement: Grant Abbott, Leah Ball, Ryan Dilts, Maddi Kilgore, Sara Mosteller, Morgan Reece, and Niki Walter.

Congratulations to the following students who auditioned and were accepted in to the OMEA District XIII Honor Choir! Unfortunately, this event (originally scheduled to be held at KHS on February 20-21) was cancelled due to weather. Great job Grant Abbott, Lillian Ashworth, Ryan Dilts, Katrina Kessler, Taylor Mills, Sara Mosteller, Briana Stottmann, Julia Tarter, and Bryson Wires.

CIS Knights of the Round Table

"Knights of the Round Table" are students who are responsible, courteous, respectful, truthful, and who show initiative. Each month teachers at Columbia Intermediate School nominate students for this honor. We are proud to announce that the "Knights of the Round Table" for February are: Sara Doughman, Sarah Dykhuizen, Jolie Elliott, Katie Gabert, Adam Hertlein, Reece Johnson, Tyler Lindgren, Nick Marchal, Jillian Middleton, Michael Sarchet, Carson Stockman, Cameron Thompson, Tim White, and Spencer Wind.



Kings/Hoxworth Blood Drive Next Week

The next Kings/Hoxworth Blood Drive will be held on Thursday, March 12 from 10:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:30-4:15 p.m. in the KJH Multipurpose Room. All who donate will automatically be registered to win 1 of 4 gift cards! The blood drive is open to anyone 16 years old or older and open to the public. Click here to schedule your appointment. Use code KCK.





Annual Kings Bands BANDcakes Next Weekend

The Kings Band will host the Pat Cope Memorial Bandcakes Breakfast on Saturday, March 14th from 7:30-11:30 a.m. in the KHS Cafeteria. Admission includes all-you-can-eat pancakes, as well as sausage, coffee, milk, and juice. In addition, you will be able to enjoy the ongoing live musical performances by several of the different Kings Bands and ensembles. Proceeds from the event will be used to enhance our High School Bands, Color Guard, Winter Guard, and Jr. High Band programs. Tickets are \$7 at the door. Children age 3 and under are FREE!

Kings Forming New Marimba Ensemble

The Kings Local School District is pleased to introduce a new student music ensemble The Marimbas of Kings. This ensemble is open to students of Kings High School and will begin rehearsals August 2015.



Students interested in learning more about this group are invited to participate in informal "jam sessions" on Tuesday evenings beginning April 7 and continuing through the end of the current school year. Students may attend as many, or as few sessions as desired. During these sessions students will learn to play the music of Zimbabwe on authentic Shona marimbas. Students who participate in enough sessions to learn the tunes will be invited to perform on a May 26 concert shared with the Kings Mills Elementary Marimba Ensemble, and the 5th - 8th grade Kokorodza Marimba Ensemble.

For more information contact Kings music teacher Mr. Matthew Jenkins at <u>mjenkins@kingslocal.net</u> or 398-8050 ext. 14025.

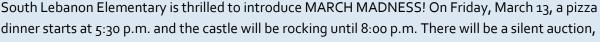
KME Peanut Butter Drive

During the week of March 16, Kings Mills Elementary students will be bringing in jars of peanut butter to donate to Joshua's Place. All of these jars will be used to help feed the hungry in our community through the Kings Power Pack Program and through other community projects spearheaded by Joshua's Place. If

you are interested in helping, just stop by KME during that week and drop off a jar (16 oz. to 20 oz.) of peanut butter. It's that easy!

This is just one of the many drives that KME students have done throughout the year for our community. Students have collected jeans, jackets and toys – all to help out others! A special thanks to Bree Netherly and to the KME PTO Community Outreach Committee for organizing all of these drives!

March Madness at SLE





class basket raffle, bakery bar, and a DJ spinning family fun! Large group games, door prizes, and just an all around great night is in store for SLE families! Any member of the Kings community is welcome to come out and celebrate Spring!

Volunteers are needed for SLE's March Madness on Friday, March 13. Please consider getting some community service hours while having fun! Check out the times and opportunities available by <u>clicking here</u>.



Kings Students Zoey Fitzgerald Kidwell, Tess Hogan, Mackenzie Powell, and Grant Meyer have been casted in *Legally Blonde*, *JR*, a musical based on the hit motion picture starring Reese Witherspoon.

There will be 4 performances, Friday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, March 21 at 3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.; and Sunday March 22 at 3:00 p.m. at Mason Middle School, 6370 Mason Montgomery Road, Mason, OH 45040. Tickets are \$12 for all seats and can be purchased at www.ActingUp.com or at the door starting one hour before the performances. Please call ActingUp at 513-494-6062 for more details.



JFB PTO Care Package Drive

If you plan on attending tomorrow's J.F. Burns Krazy Karnival, there will be a donation box in the cafeteria for the JFB PTO Care Package Drive.
They are sending care packages to six service people from our area. Donations are low this year so if you can help, it would be greatly appreciated! The theme for this year's baskets is "Taste of Home." Maybe you have an extra can of Skyline or Goldstar Chili in your pantry, some Grippos, Frisch's items, Montgomery Inn BBQ sauce, or maybe even some Bengals, Reds, Xavier or UC items.

We hope you can help make those who serve for us feel more at home so far away!



Dr. Hyo Kim and the staff of Kim Dental Care is offering a FREE dental care day.

On April 3, 2015, Kim Den-

tal Care is offering FREE dental care to any children without dental insurance. Children will receive: dental cleanings, x-rays, fluoride, fillings, extractions, and root canals.

Dr. Kim and his staff are excited to give back to the community that has given them so much. Last year Kim Dental Care gave over \$11,000 worth of dental care to local children. Call Mare or Jennifer at 513-899-3789 to see how Dr. Kim can help you.

If you know of any families who could benefit from this service, please pass on the information. Dr. Kim is located at 155 E. Pike St., Morrow, OH. Spaces are limited so call today to reserve your appointment or visit www.kimdentalcare.com.



The Firecrackers are hosting a Jump Rope Clinic on Tuesday, March 17, 1015. The clinic is open to all 2-5 grade Kings students and hosted by Coach Lynn Kelley and the Firecrackers Jump Rope Team.

Check in starts at 4:00 p.m. and clinic runs from 4:30-5:45 with a Firecrackers performance at the end. The clinic will be held in the SLE gym. Cost is \$25.

Please <u>click here</u> for more information and the registration form.

Kings Kindergarten Registration Date Set



Kindergarten Registration for the 2015-16 school year is 4:00-7:00 p.m. Thursday, April 9th, at the Kings Junior High School Multipurpose Room, located at 5620 Columbia Road. Your child must turn 5years old on or before Sept. 30, 2015, in order to register.

Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year, the Kings Local School District will offer "Young 5 Kindergarten." This halfday program will allow students to overcome achievement gaps that may occur at young ages; as we blend play based activities to meet the academic and developmental needs. The program will be available for children who will turn 5 between July 1st and September 30th. Children who attend the "Young 5 Kindergarten" program will be required to attend full day Kindergarten the following year. This program is tailored for children that are chronologically young and typically have not had a preschool experience. If parents would like to have their child attend a 1/2 day program and then attend full day kindergarten the following year and the child turns 5 before July 1, a 5 year old preschool would be their option. Packets will be available online at the end of March. For more information click here.

Kings Preschool Registration 2015-2016

It's time to register for Preschool! The Kings Preschool & Childcare will be accepting registrations for the 2015-16 school year beginning January 20th. The preschool/ childcare program meets in the King Local School District's Kings Education Center (KEC) located in Kings Mills. Kings Preschool offers both preschool and childcare for 3-5 year olds. Two, three, four & five day classes are available. All programs are licensed by the Ohio Department of Education.



More information may be obtained on the Kings Local School District website at www.kingslocal.net. Click on the "Departments" heading at the top of the page, and then follow the Childcare/Preschool link. Click here to obtain the registration forms. To schedule a tour or ask questions regarding the program, call Susan Guckert at 398-8050 ext. 10043.

MULCH MADNESS



KINGS FOOTBALL MULCH SALE

Spring is only 15 days away so it's time to start thinking about MULCH! The Kings Football Team is holding their Annual Mulch Sale. This year, you have a choice of Hardwood, double shredded dark mulch, Black Gold, triple shredded, very dark, fine mulch, or Black Dyed, the darkest mulch that is dyed black. All mulch comes in 2.0 cubic foot bags and are only \$4.00 a bag.

The Football Team offers FREE DELIVERY to your home or place of business on April 18-19. To be eligible for free delivery, you must be within a 5 mile radius of the Kings School District with a 10 bag minimum.

To order contact a Kings Football player or call the Kings Athletic Department at 513-459-2937. Pre-payment is encouraged by mailing checks to Kings High School Mulch Sale. Make all checks payable to KABC.

The KJH Mattress Sale was huge success! Thank you to all who came out and supported Kings Junior High. They raised over \$4,000!

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All About Kings Athletics



Did you know that Kings Athletics has its own website? You can find out schedule information, upcoming events, news about teams, and even get directions to away venues. <u>Click here</u> to get to the Kings Athletics Webpage.





If you're interested in purchasing tickets for this great event, please contact Heather Coniglio at 513-336-8239.

A Knight to Remember is the Kings Athletic Booster Club's biggest fundraiser of the year. For more information click here.

Don't miss it!

Our Men's Basketball Team ended their season last week with a first round tournament loss to Middletown at Lakota West. The team ended the season as Co-ECC Conference Champs finishing 12-2 in the conference and 18-5 overall.

Also congratulations to Kings Basketball Coach Mike Stevens who celebrated his **200th career win** at the Turpin game!

Kings Men's Tennis Ping Pong Madness 2015



Join the Kings Men's Tennis Team as they host Ping Pong Madness

2015! This fundraiser will take place in the Kings High School Cafeteria on Sunday, March 15 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Entry fee is \$10. Winner receives \$100 and runner-up receives \$50. To get more details and rules and registration for the tournament click here.

Lady Knights Fastpitch Hitting Clinic

Lady Knights Fastpitch Hitting Clinic will take place on Saturday, March 7, 2015 at the Kings Educational Center, 1797 King Ave. Girls ages 5-10 will hit from 10:00 a.m.— 12:00 p.m. and ages 11-14 will hit from 12:30-2:30 p.m. The cost of the clinic is \$35 and will include a t-shirt. Campers will need workout clothes, gym shoes, and glove. Also, please bring your bat and helmet if you have them. For more information and permission slip click here.

Interested in Slow Pitch?

Are you a high school aged girl interested in playing on a Slow Pitch team this year? Kings Softball is looking to form a team of girls who want to continue to play the game for fun in a semi-competitive format. The Kings Rec League will provide the equipment and the fee will be approximately \$60 plus the cost of a team shirt.

Interested players please contact Steve Galberg by mid March at stevegberg@yahoo.com

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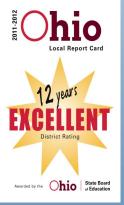
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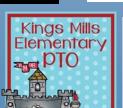






















WATERBOTICS STEM CAMP

Monday, June 22 - Friday, June 26 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM | \$125 per week

Monday, June 15 - Friday, June 19 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM | \$160 per week

GUITAR BUILDING CAMP

Monday, July 13 - Friday, July 17 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon | \$230° per week

Students will build and keep their own electric guitar from a kit, learning along the way how everyday math and science concepts apply to the guitar. Students will also receive playing instructions, and will perform together at the end of the week. Taught by Sinclair's guitar lab technicians. Lunch is not provided. Limited to 15 students. "Covers the cost of a customized guitar that is yours at the end of the

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY CAMP

Monday, July 20 - Friday, July 2-1:00 PM - 4:00 PM | \$75 per week

Learn to use your photography to create one-of-a-kind art using the latest in photo manipulation software. This five half-day camp will explore the wonders of the camera, the complexities of composition, and the crafting of outrageous digitally affered images. "Sujdents must provide their own camera. Outside class work is required. Taught by Sinclier Art faculty, Benjamin Hobbs. Students should bring their own flash drives. Lunch is not provided. Limited to 20 students.

CAMPS WILL BE HELD AT: Sinclair Community College Courseview Campus Center | 5386 Courseview Drive | Mason, Ohio 45040





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The Kings Local School District has partnered with School Messenger to bring you our own Mobile App. Stay connected to Kings even when you are on the go! With just a simple touch or swipe you can access the Calendar, Staff Directory, Lunch Menus, our Speak Up Hotline, So-

cial Media, Athletics, and just about anything you would find on our website. Plus, our app is synced to your School Messenger account, so you can received important alerts and updates from the district right on your mobile phone.

The app is available for iOS and Android users on the App Store and Google Play, respectively. Search "Kings Local School District" in the search box or click here for iOS and click here for Android.











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