May 8, 2015



Upcoming Events

May 11—Special Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m., KEC.

May 12—KHS Choir Concert, 6:00 p.m., KHS Auditorium.

May 19—Regular Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m., KEC.

May 21—KHS Baccalaureate, 7:00 p.m., Rivers Crossing Community Church.

May 23—KHS Graduation, 11:00 a.m., Cintas Center-Xavier University.

May 28—LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

THANK YOU

Kings Voters for your support of our Permanent Improvement Renewal Levy in Tuesday's Election. The levy passed by 72%!

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More event information can be found at: http://www.kingslocal.net/Calendar/Pages/default.aspx

Project Excellence Winners

Congratulations to Columbia Intermediate Teacher Ken Johnson and South Lebanon Elementary Teacher Cindy Null, winners of this year's Project Excellence Award, sponsored by the Area Progress Council of Warren County.

Every year, two teachers from each Warren County school are chosen for this special award.

Community members and staff are encouraged to nominate teachers



for these awards. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Null didn't find out who nominated them, but they were honored at a Project Excellence banquet May 6th at the Warren County Career Center.

The Area Progress Council – a countywide private business organization – started Project Excellence in 1988 as a way to honor and recognize excellent educators. APC solicited funds to create a \$1 million endowment for this recognition program. Since its inception, Project Excellence has honored more than 624 educators and awarded \$458,800. Honorees are given \$600 for personal use and \$300 for their district for a classroom or district-wide project.

Last year's Progress Excellence winners were KJH Math Teacher Steve France and J.F. Burns Kindergarten Teacher Stephanie Marchal.

For more information regarding APC/Project Excellence visit www.apcwc.org.

Congratulations Ken and Cindy!

History Day Update

Last month, we told you about Columbia Intermediate School sixth graders, Katie Hill and Abby MacNeil, who advanced to the state level of competition at National History Day. Last Saturday, they took their History Day projects to the state History Day contest at Ohio Wesleyan University. They both earned an "Honorable Mention," a first for any Kings student! Mr. Johnson, CIS 6th grade teacher said, "This means that they were in the running for winning and going to the National History Day, but missed it by a hair."



Great job representing Kings Katie and Abby!



Reading Buddies Get Ready for Mother's Day

This week in Miss Jessica Contratto's first grade class at J.F. Burns, were visited by their KHS Reading Buddies who helped them plant flowers for their Mother's Day gift. They planted an iris bulb, and made a "grass head." The students have been learning about plants. Miss Contratto said, "It was fun doing a science experiment with our buddy."

Pictured L-R: John Lehman, Kevin Cyrus, Jack Delehanty, and Hudson McDowell.



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#KingsStrong Outstanding Staff Members for April

Our Curriculum Department initiated a staff recognition program called the KingsStrong Outstanding Staff Member Award. The program allows staff members to nominate a colleague who consistently goes above and beyond to promote positive relationships with others. The award coincides with our new district hashtag #KingsStrong. The staff members who were nominated in the month of April are: Becky Hopewell, Tracy Goldie, Jodi Murphy, Susie Burdine, Jeff Clever, Juli Elder, Janet Scruby, Tami Coleman, Julie Fischer, Junior Illi, Heidi Murray, Cinda Metzger, Susan Guckert, Lois Wiethe, Susan Seitz, Chris Chamberlain, Julia Kurtz, Jennifer Williams, Andrea Wheeler, Chris Schriever, Dan Elliott, Erik Poggi, Jill Pratt, Vickie Prince, Ashley Pritchard, Stacy Vermette, Jessica Contratto, Robin Reitz, Jen Maegly, Cheryl Wanner, Tracey Krepps, Gwen Houston, Dawson Helton, Dustin Goldie, Jennifer Williams, Cindy

Null, Suzanne Dwyer, Angie Zlatic, Michele Foster, Birgitt Hacker, Chris Middlekamp, Michele Foster, Karin Gonzalez, Jill Reagan, and Jane Allen.

Our staff is #KINGSSTRONG!

Last Day of School Thursday, May 28, 2015



Supply Store at CIS

This year, Mrs. Cindy Hupp, 6th grade teacher at Columbia Intermediate School implemented a Supply Store for the students to purchase supplies they may have needed to replenish throughout the year. The supplies were donated by the parents of the students at CIS and were then offered at a low cost. The store was operated by 5th/6th grade student volunteers who actually had to apply. The store was open Monday through Friday during their "Ready to Learn" time. So far this

year, the store has raised nearly \$500. The proceeds will be donated to Joshua's Place.

The students who worked in the supply store are as follows:

5th grade-Ella Hancock, Francis McCabe, Katie Dykhuizen, Emma Gaver, Amanda Woosley, Hannah Miller, Ellie Toadvine, Renae Gigliotti, Brooke Sunderhaus, Bailey Bush, Lily Kirby, Maya Barrett, and Kylie Michalak,

6th grade-Caleb Chunn, Deacon Hazelwood, Colin Cameron, Robbie Carmichael, Elizabeth Norgren, Juli Pansch, Grace peters, Kaitlin Pong, Thomas Schmidt, Ava Staudt, David Lawson, Bekah Baumlein, Annie Young, Grace Franklin, Katie Hill, Syney Manis, Emma Drees, Nathan Kinney, and Jake Owens.

JF BURNS RUN-WALK CLUB HELPS KIDS STAY ACTIVE DURING RECESS

If you've ever been in the schoolyard during recess, you know that for a large percentage of the children, those 15 minutes are a social time, not an active time. Especially for the older children. Third and Fourth grade students at J.F. Burns however, spend their recess running laps around the perimeter of J.F. Burn's playground. Students running or walking during recess are members of a program

called The Recess Run Club. Members walk or run a designated route around the playground while "Responsible Recorders" tally the number of laps each student completes. Students earn tokens for laps earned and top runners will earn certificates and a shirt donated from either Kings High School Track and Field program or from the Kings Cross Country program coached by Lynn and Jim Brant. Awards are designed to provide children with a sense of accomplishment, recognition, and to help build confidence.

There are numerous benefits as a result of participating in Run Club. Research shows that active kids have an allaround advantage when it comes to health and academics. Increased physical activity can benefit a child's health, happiness, and even academic performance. In times of tighter school schedules, when some schools are even eliminated as a result of participating in Run Club. Research shows that active kids have an allaround advantage when it comes to health, and academic school schedules, and even academic performance. In times of tighter school schedules, when some schools are even eliminated as a school schedules.

nating recess to create more classroom time, J.F. Burns is playing an important role in promoting health and fitness during recess by offering the run-walk program. .

Fourth grader Nick Grothaus, a Run Club member, competed in Cincinnati's Flying Pig Marathon last weekend, his fourth. Of the 6100 runners that ran the Flying Pig 5k, Nick placed 118th and of the 2200 men who participated, he placed 103th. Of his age group, Nick came in 2nd by only 28 seconds and he beat his dad by 2 minutes!

In other Flying Pig news, J.F. Burns Physical Education teacher, Rachel Bea's husband, placed 2nd in this year's race. Rachel won the Pig in 2012.

Stride On!





J.F. Burns Kindergarten Musical

Last night, Thursday, May 7, the kindergarten classes at J.F. Burns performed their spring music program entitled, "Alphabet Adventures of Sometimes Y." Congratulations to Mrs. Jennifer Maegly, JFB Music Teacher, and the students for such an entertaining program.



Kings Marimba Ensemble Visited by Special Guest

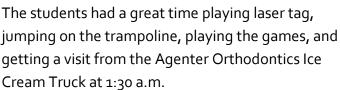
University of Cincinnati professor of ethno-musicology Stephan Fiol paid a visit to Kings Mills Elementary School to share the experiences of a 3 month stint in Zimbabwe studying the music of the Shona people. Members of the Kokorodza Marimba Ensemble learned to play a Shona tune on the karimba. Playing the karimba from left to right - Tyler Harris, Kieran Jenkins (apprentice teacher), Abram Pasqualetti, Christopher Clark, and Brynna Schauer.



KHS Prom and After Prom

Congratulations to Kings High School Prom Queen Delaney Souder and Prom King Sean McLeod! They were crowned at Prom which was held at the Great Wolf Lodge last Saturday. This year's theme was "Frozen in

Time." After Prom was held at Lazer Kraze.



To view a gallery and order pictures from Glutz Photography <u>click here</u>.





KJH and SLE Visit the Zoo



On Thursday, May 8, the kindergarten classes from South Lebanon Elementary were surprised to see our 7th grade class from Kings Junior High at the Cincinnati Zoo! It was a beautiful day and fun to see their fellow Knights. The kindergarten students were wearing yellow shirts that were donated by the SLE PTO.



Thinking "Green" at J.F. Burns

The student body at J.F. Burns Elementary were treated to a program this week called "The Think Green Show." Sponsored by the J.F. Burns PTO, the students were made aware of the 4 R's of thinking green; Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Restore.



Kings High School Graduation 2015

Cintas Center Xavier University Saturday, May 23rd Ceremony begins at 11:00 a.m.



Surprise Reader at KME

This week, the kindergarten students in Heidi Furterer's class at Kings Mills Elementary were treated to a surprise visit by Kings Superintendent Timothy J. Spinner. Mr. Spinner took some time out of his day to read several books to the students. They were thrilled to have him visit!





Is excited to present the 3rd annual

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP SHOWCASE

MONDAY, MAY 11 from 5:00-7:00
In the SLE cafeteria



The SLE ECLUB is a group of 46 3rd and 4th graders who encourage environmentally responsible practices at our homes, our school and our community.

Please join us for an informational evening of hands on and informative exhibits including a huge display from vendors like:

Aubon Pictures: What's On Your Plate?, Rumpke Recycling Bubbling Bucket-Hydroponic Supply Store, Dogwood Farms, Maple Grove Farms, Kimmy's Kupcakes, Shaklee Products, Morgan's Canoe and Outdoor Centers, Juice Plus/Tower Gardens, Granny's Gardens, Warren County Parks District - Native Species, Warren County Soil and Water Bonservation District, Thirty-One Grocery Totes, Young Living Essential Oils and Veggie U

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Join the South Lebanon Elementary Eclub for their 3rd Annual Environmental Stewardship Showcase. The showcase will highlight companies that promote environmental awareness and practices throughout the community.

During the fair, families will be able to discuss with local company/business owners how they have made a positive impact on influencing our community to think about what they're eating and where it comes from. There will also be hands on activities for the students.

Hope to see you there!

Pay For It App

The PayForlt.net mobile app is now available for IOS (Apple) and Android. The PayForlt.net Mobile App provides the ability to make payments to replenish Lunch Accounts and view purchase history. The PayForlt.net mobile app is a free download. Find it at the App Store and Google Play.



ROAD CLOSURE

Effective Monday, May 18, 2015, the intersection of Foster-Maineville Road and Butterworth Road in Hamilton Township will be closed for ten (10) weeks. The closure will include the full intersection which is located between US22/SR3 and SR48. The safety improvements at the intersection are anticipated to be complete on July 24, 2015, weather permitting. For more information, visit http://www.wceo.us/.



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Kings Kids offers a Quality Before/After School Program

The Kings Kids Before & After School Program for school age children offers quality programs licensed by the Ohio Department of Education. This year, Kings Kids has over 375 children enrolled in the three programs located at J.F. Burns Elementary, Kings Mills Elementary and South Lebanon Elementary. The curriculum includes homework assistance, learning centers, science experiments, large motor play, arts & crafts, and much more. This is not the old "latch key" program of the past. Kings is proud to offer a quality learning enriched program on a daily basis.

Kings Kids opens at 6:30 a.m. and available for drop off until the school day starts. After dismissal it remains open until 6:00 p.m. Each program has a staff that has a qualified lead and a number of aides to deliver the quality care and meet all of ODE's requirements.

If you are interested in registering your child for the King Kids Before & After School Program for next school year, please contact Susan Guckert at (513) 398-8050 ext. 10043 or e-mail squckert@kinqslocal.net.

The Preschool is in BLOOM. Check out the wall decorated with beautiful flowers made from each class in the Kings Preschool!



SUMMER LUNCH IN THE VILLAGE

Kings Local School District, in partnership with South Lebanon Community Center /
Joshua's Place Community Outreach Organization, is participating in a Summer Meal
Program. The program will provide FREE meals to children between 1 and 18 years of age.
Youth ages 19-21 with a mental or physical disability and who participate during the
school year in a public or private nonprofit school program are also eligible to receive
FREE meals. No registration required. Come Enjoy a Nutritious Meal!



Location:

South Lebanon Community Center 83 N. Section Street



Dates
June 8th through August 7th, 2015

Meal Time 11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

(offerings will be provided Monday through Friday (no weekends)

Questions About The Program?

Please contact Jennifer S. Arlinghaus R.D., L.D. Food Service Director, Kings Local School District at 398–8050, ext. 10027

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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. Click here to get to the Kings Athletics Webpage.



Spirit Store is now ONLINE!

We have a new online spirit wear store available for all Knights Fans! The store features school sports apparel, spirit wear, and clothing. Every purchase supports Kings Athletics. Click here to check it out!



2015 KABC Summer Sports Camps

It's time to start thinking about summer camps! The Kings Athletic Booster Club is offering it's 2015 Summer Sports Camps again this year. Online registration is available.

There are many camps available for boys and girls! Click the link below for more information on the KABC Sports Camps. Click here to view all of the camps on Ticketracker. Click the following link for more information.

-KABC Sports Camps Brochure.



KJH Men's Soccer Signups

Kings has long had an outstanding soccer program and we here at the JH want to continue that tradition. We are looking for all male soccer players who will be entering the 7th and 8th grades next year. Club and Rec players, the time has come for all Kings Soccer players to join together to begin building our next championship team.

Never played before? Playing another sport and ready for a change? No problem. Our Coaching staff and trainers will work hard to bring you up to speed in no time at all!

We want you to become a member of the Kings Soccer family! If you are interested in playing JH Soccer next fall, please contact Varsity Head Coach Erik Poggi at epoggi@kingslocal.net, no later than May 21st. Please include players name and grade. A meeting will be set up in the near future for all interested participants.



2nd ANNUAL KINGS GIRLS YOUTH LACROSSE

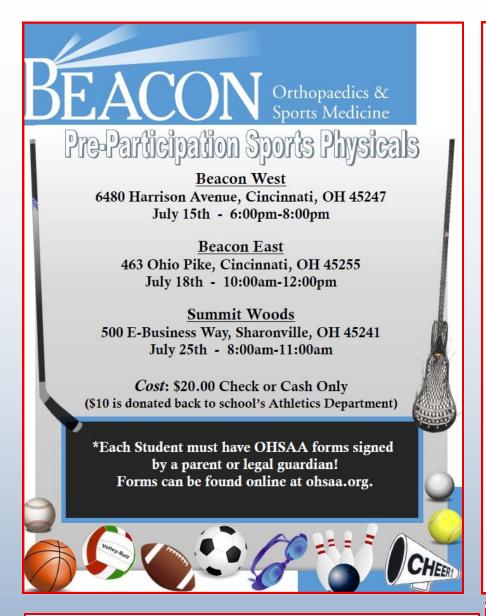
May 20th 6pm to 8pm at Kings High School (front field) Open to all Kings girls 2nd thru 5th Grade

This is a great opportunity for girls to get introduced to best sport going!
Girls need to bring a lax stick, eye guard, and mouth piece.

Play Day will include basic drills, fun games, snacks, and water balloons!
No costs, just be ready to have lots of fun! No RSVP or registration required.

Questions: Email Hilary Debelak hilary debelak@yahoo.com

www.kingslax.info



2015 KYO Football Camp

Kings Football Coach Andy Olds would like to invite you to the 2015 KYO Football Camp on Wednesday, May 27th and Thursday, May 28th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on the new Kings Stadium turf. Cost is \$40 per camper. Each camper will receive 4 hours of instruction from Kings Coaches and a t-shirt. Click here for more information.



2015 Fall Junior High Athletic Program Information

Please click on <u>this link</u> for information regarding the 2015 Fall Junior High Athletic Programs including tryout information. This information sheet only contains Fall Sport offerings. Spring and winter team information will be available after Labor Day.

If your son or daughter plans to tryout for one of these teams, please note that the start day for all sports is August 1.

All student-athletes are required by law and the Kings Local School District Board of Education to have a current physical ON-FILE with the Athletic Office.

For more information visit the athletic website at www.kingsathletics.com or contact the Kings Athletic Office at 513-459-

Fall 2015 Kings Soccer

The deadline to register for Fall 2015 SAY Soccer is June 30th. Go to www.kingssoccer.org to register.

KJH Soccer Meeting

There will be a Parent Information Meeting for Kings Girls Jr. High Soccer on Monday, May 11 at 5:00 p.m. in the KJH Multipurpose Room. For more information contact Stephanie Riggsby at sriggsby@kingslocal.net.

Kings Junior High Student Council presents



Thursday, May 21st from 6-8 PM

@ KHS Stadium

\$5 pre-sale tix sold 5/18-21 @ lunch



A night of socializing & fun before summer hits!

* Capture the Flag (by teams)

*Hot dogs and other concession treats (for purchase)

*Kona Ice

Dave Segrist Annual Golf Outing

Former Kings teacher and coach Dave Segrist lost his battle with pancreatic cancer on May 30, 2011. A fund was founded in his name to offer financial support for seniors wanting to continue their education at the collegiate level, and it also helps to support underprivileged kids who want the opportunity to attend educational or athletic camps during the summer. To help support this fund, an annual ben-



efit golf outing is held yearly. This year, the benefit takes place on May 30, at the Golf Center at Kings Island. <u>Click</u> here for more information.



Save the Date for the KHS and KJH Men's Lacrosse Breast Cancer Awareness Games. The KJH Men will play on Tuesday, May 12 beginning at 5:00 p.m. on the grass field just North of the KHS Parking Lot. The KHS Men will play their Breast Cancer Awareness Game on Saturday, May 16 at Kings Stadium. Both teams will be dedicating their games to breast cancer awareness and will be asking for donations, as well as selling pink ribbon umbrellas and backpacks, etc. to raise funds.

Last year, the KJH Team raised over \$2,000 for Breast Cancer Awareness.

Women's High School Soccer



If you are interested in playing high school soccer, provide player name, 2015/16 Grade, player email, player phone, player shirt & short sizes, and parent(s) name(s), phone & email to Women's Soccer Representative, Bev Williams as soon as possible at bawemail3@gmail.com.

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Chitty Chitty Bang Bang This Weekend

Kings students Ian Meeker, Spencer Meeker, Calvin Meeker, Finn Collins,
Addie Collins, Amy Helms and Dane Doebereiner have been cast in the Children's Theatre of Mason's production of "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang," May 810 in Mason. The show will run for four performances – Friday, May 8 at

7:00pm; Saturday, May 9 at 2:00pm and
7:00pm; and Sunday, May 10 at 2:00pm. VIP
tickets can be purchased for the Friday evening show for \$25 each and general admission
tickets for any show are \$12 each. All tickets
can be purchased online at

www.childrenstheatreofmason.com through

May 7th at noon and at the door starting one



Cincinnati State Offers Free Class this Summer

Cincinnati State is offering a program this summer called "3 and a Book." This program will give any high school student three free credit hours, which is enough to take a single class. Cincinnati State will also provide a textbook and waive any fees, for a cost of up to \$650. As an added bonus, Cincinnati State is willing to teach the course at the high school building if any school has 25 kids sign up for the same course! For more information click here.

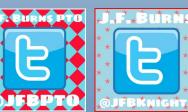


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