**Kendall Elementary School Newsletter** 

# The Knights' News

February 2021

Dear Kendall Parents and Guardians,

The second semester is off to a strong start and our Kendall Knights are working hard towards achieving their academic goals. I am so excited to highlight a newly finished addition to the campus, the fully furnished Outdoor Classroom! Many thanks to our generous current and former KES parents, our incredible KES PTO for supporting this vision, and the Boerne Education Foundation (BEF) for enabling us to furnish the space this year. Funding received from the school's BEF fall grant was used to purchase flexible seating which will comfortably accommodate about 30 students. Earlier in the year, ceiling fans were added and soon, we hope to include a technology component as well. The outdoor classroom is currently available for use by students in all grades PreK-5, guidance lessons led by our school counselor, and as a meeting space for teacher professional development. As faculty and staff become more familiar with holding class in an outdoor setting, the uses for this space will continue to grow. The sky's the limit and the Knights are ready to soar!



**KES Outdoor Classroom** 



## Points of Interest

- 2/1 After School Tutorials begin for grades 3-5
- 2/3 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School
- 2/5 Spelling Bee
- 2/5 Kids Heart Challenge Donations Due
- 2/11 Spring Pictures
- 2/12 Teacher Workday -No School
- 2/15 President's Day No School
- 2/22-3/31 TELPAS Testing
- 2/26 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Middle School Presentation
  - Friendly Reminder... Students who may not be feeling well should remain home until they are symptom-free. Contact Nurse Miller at (830) 357-4609 with any questions.

Sincerely, Shelene Livas Principal

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## A Note from the Counselor

Happy February Kendall families! It's the perfect month to talk about connecting with your children. As our children grow, the way we parent them changes. One thing that remains constant however, is the need for quality time between a parent and a child. Here are five suggestions for building a strong relationship with your kids at any age:

- 1. Read! Read! Read!!
- 2. Spend time outside
- 3. Create through art or music
- 4. Play
- 5. Let them help in the kitchen or with chores

I look forward to seeing your children as I visit their classes to talk about our Great 8 Social-Emotional skill, decision making. I will be forming small groups to focus on this important life skill as well. If you are interested in having your child participate, please email me at: heidi.johnson@boerneisd.net.

Ms. Heidi Johnson, School Counselor

#### Mrs. Miller's Imagine Math Update

Our Knights have been working hard on their Imagine Math lessons at school and at home. As of January 30<sup>th</sup>, our in-person learners have completed and passed a total of **11,099** lessons. This is an **OUTSTANDING** accomplishment. Our eLearners have been busy too. We are excited to recognize students who will be joining our Think 30, 50, 70, 90, and 100 Clubs this Friday on the KNDL news! Thanks to our Kendall PTO, students will receive a wristband at each level as well as a t-shirt once they reach the Think 100 Club. We cannot wait to see how many lessons our Knights reach by the end of the 2020-2021 school year!

Keep Up the GREAT Work Kids!

#### Valentine's Day

KES will celebrate Valentine's Day on 2/11/21. Students may bring valentine cards and individually wrapped candy to exchange with classmates.

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### A Message from the Kendall PTO

DTG is just around the corner! Be on the lookout for more information about our fun day for the kids. The Classroom Sponsor forms will be handed out soon.

Tired of the same old dinners every week? Change it up and help support KES PTO at the same time! This month, we will be having 2 spirit nights at Willie's... 2/8 and 2/22. EVERY WEDNESDAY will be Dough Nights at Double Dave's in Leon Springs. Don't forget to mention KES PTO when you place your orders!

Our next General Meeting will be <u>February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00</u> <u>p.m.</u> via Zoom. All members will receive a link to the meeting.

> Kind Regards, KES PTO

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