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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Kellogg Families,

As teachers begin preparing for and scheduling **Parent-Teacher Conferences (November 13-17)**, I want to remind families that these conferences are a powerful tool in better understanding the needs and strengths of your child. The more parents choose to participate in these discussions, the more knowledge they will gain from this opportunity. Please feel free to bring a list of questions that you may have regarding your child or the academic program that is being offered in your

child's classroom. Write down any questions that you have regarding homework, class projects, peer relationships, or other school events or policies. Your child's teacher wants you to become more informed about your child's education and what you can do at home to help support your child's academic and social success. Our partnership between families and school is integral to better understanding each of our students' needs. Ongoing communication is key and essential. Please be prompt in returning correspondence with your child's teacher to schedule your conference.

Sixth grade fundraising will be hosting **Movies/ Outdoor activities after school** (Nov. 13-17) for each of the five, conference days to help families manage the 12:00 early dismissal. Watch your child's Friday Folder form more information and sign up early.

Special thanks to **Eric Reeder** for organizing this year's **Kellogg Family Science Night!** We had many families come and enjoy the variety of community-sponsored activities and presentations. Special thanks to the families who provided food items for our presenter's dinner. What an amazing event for our community!

Save the date for Saturday, December 2nd our PTA-sponsored **Family Portrait day**. Sign your family up for a session between 12:00-5:00. Watch your Friday Folder! Go

Bulldogs!

Any further questions can be directed to mail to: kbruzzese@goleta.k12.ca.us or 681-1277.

Kim Bruzzese
Principal

PTA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, we would like to take this opportunity to show our gratitude for our Kellogg School community. We appreciate the opportunity to be involved with the Kellogg families and staff, and we are thankful for the partnership in enriching our children's school experience.

Our **Kellogg Annual Giving campaign** is still under way! We are happy to report that 43 Kellogg families have pledged \$14,725 toward the Annual Giving campaign. Our goal this year is \$25,500 so we are still awaiting your pledge to help bring in the remaining \$10,775. To supplement district funds for our P.E., music, art, computer, and science programs—and continue to provide funds for other school events and support classrooms—we are encouraging each Kellogg family to support the campaign with a donation that you feel these special programs mean to you and your children. A huge thank you to **all** the families who have already donated to this import-

ant campaign. We are striving for 100% participation from our families, so please give what you can. Thank you to **Karie Ide** and **Kara Hornbuckle**, VPs of Ways & Means, for spearheading the campaign.

We had many fun and exciting events in the past month. First, thank you to all the families who came out to support the Goleta Education Foundation's Lemon Run. At our first BOW WOW, it was a pleasure to see so many students—and our school mascot—walking, biking, skateboarding, scooting, and bussing to school! Thank you to **Avanija Komaraju**, **Joylyn Kovacevich**, **Heloise Kaman**, **Sam Ladd**, **Karie Ide**, and **Leah Orquiola** for all their help in making this event safe and successful – leading the walking school buses, handing out raffle tickets, getting the raffles prizes, and being the bulldog mascot. We encourage families to continue to leave their cars at home every Wednesday and find alternative safe routes to school. Thank you also to **Julie Swenson** for coordinating this year's PTA Reflections program and **Deanna Caballero** for coordinating the Mixed Bags Fundraiser benefitting 6th grade. Our fall Garden Work Day was a great success, thanks to **Michelle Bednash** and the garden committee for organizing it and **all the families** that came out to support the event with their shovels and green thumbs. And lastly, huge thanks and congratulations to science specialist, **Mr. Eric Reeder**, for organizing his first Family Science Night. Special thanks to **Karen van Gool** and her team who provided for the first time a pizza dinner as well as a yummy bake sale. Thanks also to all the families who brought food for the presenters and/or were presenters themselves. It is community efforts like this

that makes Science Night a favorite event year after year.

There are a lot of great events and ways to support Kellogg coming up in November so please consider getting involved. Come out for a fun arts and crafts night as you learn how to make a unique piece of art using nails and strings at the **String Art Party** hosted by **Karen van Gool** on **November 5 from 1:00-5:00 pm**. Adult beverages and appetizers will be provided. Pamper yourself and/or a friend to a nice massage or facial at **Float Day Spa** on **November 9** as they have teamed up with Kellogg PTA and will give us 15% of all treatments booked on this day. Start your holiday shopping early while supporting our school at **Deckers** on **November 18** from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm—a portion of all sales benefits Kellogg. Also, please mark your calendars for December 12 for **Kellogg's Holiday Bazaar**, featuring unique gifts and yummy treats. If you are interested in participating this year, please turn in your application by the **November 17 deadline**. Elks Lodge has pledged to give Kellogg \$1000 if at least 30 participants attend their **BINGO Night on November 30** at 6:15pm so please come out and support this great fundraising opportunity for our school! This event is for parents only and is \$20/person.

Lastly, did you know that you can help Kellogg PTA raise money just by shopping on **Amazon** and **Shutterfly**? For Amazon, visit **smile.amazon.com** and select Kellogg Elementary PTA as the non-profit you'd like to support and Kellogg PTA will receive a percentage on all qualified purchases! For **Shutterfly**, visit **http://kellogg.shutterfly-storefront.com** and Kellogg PTA will receive 13% on every

purchase made. It's that simple and you can **Shop & Earn** all year long!

As always, if you ever have any questions about the PTA, volunteer opportunities, or ideas for new events or programs, please feel free to get in touch with us.

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NOVEMBER 14TH PTA ASSOCIATION MEETING

The PTA would like to invite everyone to attend our **PTA Association Meeting on November 14, from 7:00-8:00 pm in the MPR**. Our special guest speaker, **Jeannine Morgan**, will be presenting parenting skills on "Knowing Your Child – developmentally knowing where your child is yet also understanding their unique personality." Jeannine Morgan has over 40 years of experience working in elementary education as both an educator and administrator. Her experience in guiding hundreds of students and parents through the early years of schooling has given her insight into how children can be encouraged as they grow through various developmental stages into the unique person they were created to become. ALL are welcome and we hope to see you there! Dessert and childcare will be provided along with Spanish translation.

THE LATEST AT KELLOGG

Many thanks to the families who participated in the October 4 Walk/Bike/Bus (B.O.W. W.O.W.)

to School Day. Thank you to **Nancy Marden** who coordinated this event., The pictured students were our B.O.W. W.O.W. drawing winners and received Blender cards. Go Bulldogs!



Each GUSD third grader received a free student dictionary as a result of the local chapter of the **Rotary Club's** generous donation. Thank you Goleta Rotary Club!

Forty-four third through sixth graders are participating in weekly band sectionals. All band payments are due November 3rd.

Don't forget to keep collecting Box Top labels and turning them into your child's class by November 1st. This is free money for our school!

Kellogg Spirit Days! The student council officers and representatives are working on school-wide spirit days. Beyond wearing our school colors or school spiritwear on Fridays, throughout the year our student council gathered feedback from their classes to select theme-based days. They will be published in the newsletter, ParentSquare and on the website. Check it out!

Help keep our Parking Lot safe! Slow down and please do not allow students to cross in front of cars for pick up or drop off. Please pull up to the curb or park in the lot or across the street to pick up your child. Cars should not be left unat-

tended on the curb for any reason. Thank you for helping to keep our students safe. Thank you!

Lynn Fitzgibbons is this year's auction winner of the free parking spot! This spot is marked by three signs along the side, parking lot fence. Please do not park in this spot - This is the Fitzgibbons' spot for the year! Thank you!

Science Night would not have happened without the hard work and coordination of Kellogg's science teacher, **Eric Reeder**. Thank you to Eric, staff and parents who volunteered to make this an exceptional learning experience for our community. We had **160** families (up from 129 families last year) who signed in with **516** family members (up from 399 last year), not including the presenters! Special thanks to the following community groups that participated in Kellogg's October 12th Science Night; "It's a Material World" with UCSB's Material Research; Braille Institute with Doug Connelly and Greg Benavidez; Measuring Volume with Mrs. Bowen, Mrs. Navarro, and Mrs. West; "How Much Weight Can Your Boat Float?" with Mrs. Hamers and Ms. Wilson; Your Children's Trees with Ken Knight; It's a Small World with Molecular Biology; UCSB Brainiacs; How Fast Can You Run? Sheriff Deputy; Telescopes with SB Astronomy Club; Mobile Reef with the Marine Science Institute at UCSB; Physics Circus with the Department of Physics at UCSB; Bubbles with Mrs. Demsas, Mrs. Oglanian, and Mrs. Young; Meet the Flock with Jamie McCleod; FLIR the World's Sixth Sense presented by Per Elmfors; Live Insects! Presented by SB Museum of Natural History; Your Internal Organs presented by Dr. Angela Hsu, Dr. Pinsker, and Lynn Fitzgibbons.

Kellogg Breakfast Program is served from 7:30-8:10AM. We have had several students each day arriving late to their classrooms. Please help us make each minute of learning count by insuring all of our students arrive in time to eat their breakfast prior to our 8:15 bell. Thank you for your help with this.

WHAT IS AN AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER (ASD)?

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is a developmental disability caused by differences in the brain. Scientists do not know yet exactly what causes these differences for most people with ASD. There are multiple causes of ASD, although most are not yet known.

There is often nothing about how people with ASD look that sets them apart from other people, but their communication, interactions, behaviors, and learning styles can be different from most other people. The learning, thinking, and problem-solving abilities of people with ASD can range from gifted to severely challenged. Some people with ASD need a lot of help in their daily lives; others need less.

ASD now includes several conditions that used to be diagnosed separately: autistic disorder, pervasive developmental disorder not otherwise specified (PDD-NOS), and asperger syndrome. These conditions are now all under the umbrella of ASD.

It is important to note that some people without ASD might also have some of these symptoms. However, for people with ASD, the impairments can make life very challenging.

Many interventions exist for ASD and scientific research

has found only some of these interventions to be effective. The interventions that researchers have shown to be effective are called evidence-based practices (EBPs). One reason for using EBPs is because the most effective instruction is based upon evidence of effectiveness. Our comprehensive Kellogg program for students with ASD utilizes evidence-based practices.

References: Johnson, C.P. Early Clinical Characteristics of Children with Autism. In: Gupta, V.B. ed: Autistic Spectrum Disorders in Children. New York: Marcel Dekker, Inc., 2004:85-123.

SHOP & EARN FOR KELLOGG

Earn money for Kellogg Elementary School every time you shop through these links. How does this work you ask?? It's very simple. Need something from Zappos or The Gap? Click on the shopping links provided on the Kellogg PTA website page and a percentage of what you spend will be passed back to Kellogg. Easy as that!

Share the links with friends and family. Encourage them to do their shopping after clicking on the links provided. We will continue to add different stores throughout the year so check back often.

Find the special links here:

<http://www.kellogg.goleta.k12.ca.us/kellogg-pta/shop-earn/>

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KELLOGG WELCOMES **OUR NEW SPECIALISTS**



MR. REEDER **SCIENCE TEACHER**

After several weeks with your children, I am thrilled to introduce myself to you. My passion is to reveal the magic of science with students. I earned my Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Science from U.C.S.B. I have worked with students in schools around the world for many years. As a Peace Corps Volunteer, I created a high school Environmental Club. More recently, I taught Middle School Science at the Rabat American School in Morocco. When I am not teaching you can find me on the soccer field - either cheering on my 12 year old son or playing myself. This year, you can expect your child to have many adventures in the Science Lab. We have already jumped into hands-on science experiments. We will also explore the scientific process, engineering process and many STEAM projects. My goal is to help students question, imagine, explore and create. I am happy to be a part of the Kellogg Bulldog Team!

MRS. PAULA KIRCHOFF **MUSIC TEACHER**

I am so thrilled to be the new music teacher at Kellogg! I began working in the Goleta District nine years ago as a substitute, and fell in love with teaching! I recently finished a second BA in Education and obtained my teaching credential. Originally from the upper midwest, I discovered my love for music early on, and began classical voice training in high school. I've had so many positive experiences performing over the years and hope to bring that same excitement for music to the students at Kellogg. It is my goal to give the students a foundation in the basics of music that will give them the confidence to pursue any future musical interests.



MRS. NASTACIA ECHAVARRIA **ART TEACHER**

Hello Kellogg! My name is Nastacia but most of your students call me Mrs. E. I am the new art teacher here at Kellogg. I have worked in education for the last 5 years and I am new to Santa Barbara. Before moving to Santa Barbara I was teaching 1st grade in the Alisal Union School District. I received my bachelors in Visual and Public Art from California State University of Monterey Bay where I studied painting and mural and art education. I have always had a passion for the arts in education and it is an honor to work here, where art is accessible to all students. It is a pleasure to be here and I look forward to creating beautiful masterpieces with your students. Thank you and see you around campus.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Flagpole Assembly	2 Kellogg Din- ner Night Out @ Pieology Fire Drill; All band pay- ments due!	3	4
5	6	7	8 7:00 PM GUSD Board Meeting	9 11:50 KSSC	10 VETERANS DAY: NO SCHOOL	11
12	13	14 7:00 PTA Association Meeting	15 Flagpole Assembly (Bravo Bull- dog Awards); Lockdown Drill.	16	17	18 11:00-5:00 Kellogg Deck- ers Fundraiser (Families can receive 20% discount off of entire purchase and Kellogg will receive 20% of proceeds)
Parent Teacher Conferences – 12:00 Dismissal Movie Day 12:00 – 2:50						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Thanksgiving Break – No School						
26	27	28	29 Flagpole Assembly	30 6:15 Elk's Lodge Bingo Night – mini- mum 30 people needed to help earn \$1,000 for Kellogg; \$20 fee	1	2