



The Kingsley

Prelude

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Message from the Principal,

Dear Kingsley Families,

All of our Kingsley students in Kindergarten through sixth grade finished taking i-Ready tests in ELA and mathematics either in late August or last month. I have spoken with families who are concerned about their child's academic progress since the temporary school closure last March through our all online learning this fall. Kingsley shares your concern and has a plan to help support our children. We will be using these iReady computer tests results to identify skills that our students need in both language arts and mathematics. Some of this additional support will be through the iReady online computer program and some will be through small groups with teachers and aides over Zoom.

In addition, we strongly recommend each child read a book at their level for at least thirty minutes daily. If you do not have access to physical books for your child, we have renewed our Razz Kids Learning A-Z program. This electronic resource will support your child's reading level. If you need more information about this resource, please contact the front office or your child's teacher.

This year especially the Kingsley Staff is renewing our focus on meeting our mission statement of "Providing all students with the keys to success." We believe that this involves supporting students in three main areas: academics, behavior, and social emotional with students in greatest need receiving the greatest amount of support.

We meet our students' **academic** needs through quality first instruction and more targeted and leveled intervention through small groups in ELA and mathematics during designated times. Our students receive assistance in the area of **social-emotional health** through fifteen minutes daily of SEL (Socio-Emotional Learning) Time. During this portion of the day special lessons help students identify and manage their emotions and support mental health, and we have also started the Kingsley Lions' Den. The Lions' Den is a place for students to meet with and talk to their grade level peers on Zoom while supervised by an adult. In the area of **behavior**, we continue to virtually recognize and reward students who show respectful, responsible and compassionate behavior. Students who demonstrate a need for support receive re-teaching and time with our support team members.

Our students in grades 2-6 are getting ready to take the Reading Inventory, a reading comprehension test, for the second time this year. It is important that we get results that truly represent what our students know and are able to do on

their own. Ways that you can support your child on the test include providing encouragement like "It's okay if you don't know it. Do your best and move on." Another phrase you might use is, "Just like when you take a test at school, I can't help you find the answer. We want to find out what you know, not what I know. It's okay if you are stuck." And it is always helpful to provide encouragement like "I can tell you are very focused. Keep up the good work!"

As always, we are thankful for the support and partnership we receive from our amazing Kingsley families. We will get through this challenge together, and as always, if we can assist your family in any way, please let us know.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Troesh



October is School Safety Month!

This month we will be focused on school safety. Please take a look at some of our provided handouts, posted on Class Dojo, on how you can help your child stay safe.

Red Ribbon Week

Be Happy, Be Brave, Be Drug Free! Red Ribbon Week is coming! Be sure to participate in making Kingsley Elementary drug free! We will have classroom competitions daily for participation, so make sure to follow the schedule below to have a chance to win a prize!

- Monday, Oct. 26th**- "Put a lid on drugs" wear a college shirt and hat
- Tuesday, Oct. 27th**- "Wake up drug free" Pajama Day
- Wednesday, Oct. 28th**- "Black out drugs" wear all black
- Thursday, Oct. 29th**- "Shade out drugs" wear sunglasses
- Friday, October 30th** - "Scare away drugs" dress like a book/movie character

Attendance Matters...

Congratulations to these classes for their attendance in August: Mrs. Flores 100%, Mr. Richards 98.5%, Mrs. Cairns 95%, Mrs. Weink 97.7%, Mrs. Anderson 99.55%, Ms. Ham 97.5%, Mr. Paulak 97.2%, Ms. Borromeo 98.9%, Mrs. Olson 98.82% and Ms. Smirl 98.53%. These classes earned top attendance percentages in September: Mrs. Flores 99.6%, Mrs. Cairns 98%, Mrs. Weink 98.2%, Mrs. Moore 99.4%, Ms. Ham 96.6%, Mr. Paulak 98.6% and Mrs. Olson 98.89%. Thank you for helping make sure your child is participating in their independent learning activities and on Zoom every day.

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Parent Calendar

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
SELF-MANAGEMENT: Mindfulness and Stress Management During the month of October, your child's SEL instruction will focus on Self-Management skills learning about mindfulness practices and stress management. Stress can affect health, behavior, thoughts, and feelings. Recognizing and developing strategies for managing stress in healthy ways can lead to life-long physical and psychological well-being. This month, students will engage in activities to help them effectively regulate their emotions, control impulses, and manage stress. These activities help build emotional awareness, reflection, and calming skills.				1 <u>Virtual P.E. (Zoom)</u> 3 rd /4 th Gr. 8:00-9:00 1 st /2 nd Gr. 9:10-10:10 5 th Gr. 10:20-11:20 6 th Gr. 11:30-12:30 <u>Lion's Den</u> 1:30-2 3 rd Gr. 2-2:30 4 th Gr.	2 Kingsley Spirit Day- Wear your Kingsley Shirt	3
4	5 College Shirt Day <u>Lion's Den</u> 1:30-2 1 st Gr. 2-2:30 6 th Gr. 2:30-3 5 th Gr.	6 Tuesday Tunes: Eastern/ Lion's Den 1:30-2:00 2 nd Gr.	7	8 P.E. Day <u>Lion's Den</u> 1:30-2 3 rd Gr. 2-2:30 4 th Gr.	9 Kingsley Spirit Day- Wear your Kingsley Shirt	10
11	12 College Shirt Day <u>Lion's Den</u> 1:30-2 1 st Gr. 2-2:30 6 th Gr. 2:30-3 5 th Gr.	13 Tuesday Tunes: Eastern/World Music Lion's Den 1:30-2:00 2 nd Gr.	14	15 P.E. Day <u>Lion's Den</u> 1:30-2 3 rd Gr. 2-2:30 4 th Gr.	16 Kingsley Spirit Day- Wear your Kingsley Shirt	17
18	19 College Shirt Day <u>Lion's Den</u> 1:30-2 1 st Gr. 2-2:30 6 th Gr. 2:30-3 5 th Gr. Reading Inventory (Comprehension) Test Gr. 2-6	20 Tuesday Tunes: Eastern/World Music School Site Council, 2:30 Lion's Den 1:30-2:00 2 nd Gr. Reading Inventory Test Gr. 2-6	21 Reading Inventory Test Gr. 2-6	22 P.E. Day <u>Lion's Den</u> 1:30-2 3 rd Gr. 2-2:30 4 th Gr. Reading Inventory Test Gr. 2-6	23 Kingsley Spirit Day- Wear your Kingsley Shirt	24
25 Red Ribbon Week 	26 <u>Lion's Den</u> 1:30-2 1 st Gr. 2-2:30 6 th Gr. 2:30-3 5 th Gr. Wear a college shirt and hat	27 Tuesday Tunes: Eastern/World Music <u>Lion's Den</u> 1:30-2:00 2 nd Gr. Wear pajamas	28 Wear all black	29 Wear sunglasses Virtual P.E. (Zoom) <u>Lion's Den</u> 1:30-2 3 rd Gr. 2-2:30 4 th Gr. Coffee with the Principal, 2:00 GATE Parent Meeting, 5:45 	30 Dress like a book or movie character Car Decorating/Fall Parade 11-1 (front traffic circle)	31 