



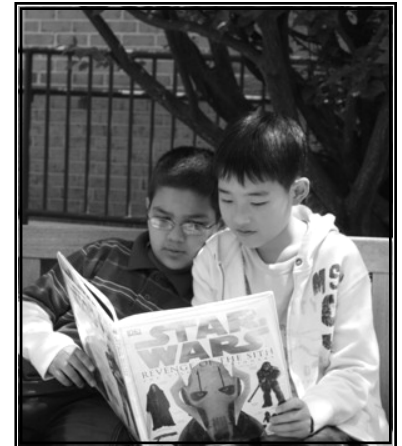
KP/KG NEWS

Kings Park and Kings Glen Elementary

June 2009

Summer Reading

Summer time is a fabulous time to read for pleasure. To instill this pleasure in our children, we need to read *with* them as well as *to* them! Don't you just love to curl up with a good book and read? If you make your own reading visible to your children, they will see and feel the power of reading by your enthusiasm and modeling. Just like any skill, children need time to practice to become good readers. Knowing how closely your children look to parents for guidance, you can send a strong message of how important reading is by making time in your day to read, too.



Reading for academic learning is of critical importance for our children. We want our students to be able to read and comprehend at a very high level. Reading for pleasure, however, cannot be overlooked as an invaluable part of leading our children to becoming "*readers for life*", fostering a love for reading that we hope becomes an insatiable appetite.

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Top 5 Things You Can Do to Help Your Children Become Excellent Readers

- Demonstrate that you are a reader yourself.
- Provide a good home library and make regular visits to the community library.
- Give your children the time to read books that they have chosen.
- Read with your children, thinking aloud and giving them constructive feedback on how they are doing.
- Help your children set reading goals and celebrate when they reach them.

From everyone at KP and KG, we hope you enjoy your summer!

From the principals
Sarah Skerker
Sam Elson

The PTA Connection

Mark Crabill, PTA President (president@kpkgpta.org) www.kpkgpta.org

We proudly present the 2009-2010

Kings Park / Kings Glen PTA Board Officers

PTA Board Elections were held May 12, 2009. A big thank you to these devoted parents:

Jackie Kurisky, President
Leslie Rudisill, VP of Kings Glen
Nancy Grass, VP of Kings Park
Linda Avers, VP of Education
Stephanie Turner, Treasurer
Susan Moreau, Secretary

KP/KG Staff Volleyball Game

The 2nd annual volleyball game at Lake Braddock was an exciting and successful night. We had great attendance and an outstanding atmosphere for the game.

A big thank you for all the people who helped make this a success:

- The KP / KG staffs for their outstanding support.
- Michelle Crabill and Linda Avers for pulling everything together for a fantastic night of fun and excitement.
- Kate Waldron, Shannon Ulery and Sandy Woods for readying both staffs to play.
- Sam Branham for an awesome job with the announcing.
- Tom Rakowski, Jack Kurisky, Sam Jacknin, Karen Johnson and Greta Bishop for a great job refereeing.
- Stephanie Turner, Jackie Kurisky, Sue Fawcett, Noelle Looney, Barbara Sethian and Gloria Sacco for their help and support.
- Thanks to the staff at Lake Braddock Secondary School! Special thanks to Mark Martino, Mike Clark and Michelle Birkenstock.
- Thanks to the Lake Braddock Class of 2009 for providing the concessions the last two years.

Keep your PTA and school strong!

The Kings Park / Kings Glen PTA is seeking enthusiastic people that would like to help enhance the school by leading our parent-teacher association. The KP/KG PTA sponsors, supports and runs many programs to make the time you and your children spend at Kings Park and Kings Glen enriching and fun. We need your help. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please contact Jackie Kurisky at kuriskyjd@hotmail.com

Your PTA dollars hard at work:

- Staff Development – KG
- Field Trip – KG
- Field Trip – KP
- Forgotten Lunch – KP & KG

For more information on the programs, events and KPKG PTA please visit www.kpkgpta.org.

Need to Know

Adults Must Pick Up Medications

FCPS regulations require that a parent or guardian pick up medications **no later than dismissal time on the last day of school. Medications will be destroyed. As a reminder, please bring home with students.**

Parent Literacy

A group of about ten KP and KG parents met last year to improve their English skills and to help with homework, played games, and more. Languages spoken by families included Chinese, and Farsi. While the parents worked, they also helped with this program including Beatriz Camacho, Nancy Mishoe, Ana Tagliapietra, and students, especially Drew Zarfoss! We hope to meet again next year. Look for information in School News.

Return Library Books by June 5

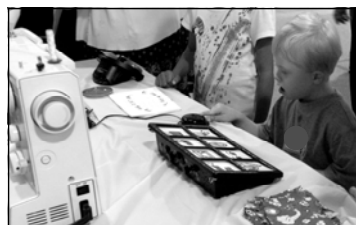
Please help us locate missing KP/KG school books in your book bags and between books on your shelves. If you have returned any books checked out during the year, please return them to the library.

Recent Events

Congratulations to Kings Park first grade teacher **Mrs. Avalos** on receiving the **Westwood Outstanding Educator Award**. These two awards recognize their outstanding effective teaching skills, modeling character building serving as role models!

Annual Chatterbox Fun Fair Again A Success

The Chatterbox Fun Fair is a one day fun fair event for preschool through sixth grade students (and their families) who are using picture boards and devices with sound to help them with communication. Mrs. Miele and 26 students from Kings Glen Elementary volunteered to work at Chatterbox Fun Fair manning the games stations and helping



participants to enjoy the day. Fun was had by all. For more Chatterbox info and pictures go to <http://www.fcps.edu/ss/i/Chatterbox/index.htm>

Coming up

on the Last Day of School

Guardian pick up clinic medications
day of school. After this time,
inder, medications cannot be sent

once a week for much of the school
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cluded Korean, Vietnamese, Spanish,
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cluding Cathy Lee, Myeong Watson,
ghavi, Chris Kamerow and our LB
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library books. Look under your beds,
our bookshelves. Ensure your child
the school year by Friday, June 5.

teacher **Mrs. Palsha** and KG ESOL
Springfield Rotary Club 2009
fabulous teachers were selected for
motivation of students, contributions to
Congratulations to you both!

KP Field Days

Students in kindergarten, first
and second grade participated
in Field Day. Third grade will
have Field Day on May 29.



Rising 4th Grade Orientation

Parents and Guardians of Rising 4th Graders are invited to
an orientation to meet Mr. Elson, KG Principal, some 4th
grade teachers, and hear all about the many great things set
for 4th grade in 2009-2010! This meeting for future Gator
Parents is at Kings Glen **June 2 at 6:30 p.m.** Korean and
Spanish interpreters will be available.

KG Field Day

Wear your sunscreen as Kings Glen holds Field Day June 5.
Cheer the classes on as they participate in many fun games.
Volunteers are welcome!

Art Show and Spring Concerts at the Glen

The halls are filled with artwork and the sounds of music as
Kings Glen holds its annual art show and Spring Concerts.
Each student will select a special piece of artwork for the art
show to be viewed June 9 and 10 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm. The
Band Concert will be on June 9 at 7:00 pm. The Strings
students will present their end of year concert at 7:00 p.m. on
June 10. Both concerts will be in the Kings Glen gym.

KP Mexican Fiesta Day

On June 12, the second graders will have a day camp called
Viva Mexico. Activities include a food tasting, paper mache
and various crafts. Watch for full details in your Take Home
Folder.

Kindergarten and First Grade Musical

Join us as the Kindergarten and First grade classes perform
the musical, "Mooncake", based on the book by Frank Asch!

Schedule:

Tuesday, June 2:	Duffy,	11:50 am	Capelli,	1:20 pm
Wednesday June 3:	Shaw,	11:50 am	Gill,	1:20 pm
Thursday, June 4:	Palsha,	11:50 am	Taylor,	1:20 pm
Friday, June 5:	Neibauer	11:50 am	Verwers,	1:20 pm
Tuesday, June 9:	Fraser,	11:50 am	Hoffman,	1:20 pm
Wednesday, June 10:	Valcour,	11:50 am	Leith,	1:20 pm
Thursday, June 11	Spaulding,	11:50 am	Beavers,	1:20 pm
Friday, June 12	Cascell,	11:50 am	Liu,	1:20 pm