

November 15, 2024

Dates to Remember

11/1-11/19 Thanksgiving Food Drive
11/25-11/29 Thanksgiving Break - No School
12/5 Comet Clubs End

Did You Know

We are collecting holiday food items on the stage in the Cafe! Donations will be delivered to Keheley families before Thanksgiving! Check out the list below and consider donating.

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Keheley is a Math Leader

Keheley Elementary School, 5th Grade Gateway Growth Math Leader recognition by the GaDOE!

"Congratulations to our first-ever Math Leader schools!" State School Superintendent Richard Woods said. "The skill of numeracy is an essential one, both as students progress through their K-12 education and in their futures. These schools and their educators, students, families, and communities have worked hard to implement the new K-12 Mathematics Standards and prepare all students for life. I commend them on their outstanding work." Math Leader qualifications are based on growth in the percentage of students scoring at the Proficient Learner level or above in mathematics on EOG.

The Zen Zone @ Keheley

This week Keheley unveiled the Zen Zone. A sensory friendly room where students and adults alike, can take a moment to decompress, collect their thoughts, or just chill. We are so thankful for Piedmont Church and their volunteers for the generous donation not only to fill the space, but set it up as well!! Thank you!



Kell Swag Shop

Longhorn Swag is available to purchase!! The items are featured on our website at www.kellhoops.com and will be available to purchase through **November 17th**. Please note, these items are only available for pick-up, not delivery and should be in the first week of December. All proceeds go to support the Kell Longhorn and Lady Longhorn basketball programs.

Fact Fluency K-5

Having a good working knowledge of math facts and concepts are essential for children's success in the 21st Century. Math fact fluency leads to higher order mathematics through automaticity. Students free up their working memory and can devote it to problem solving and learning new concepts and skills (Geary, 1994). Quite simply, a lack of fluency in basic math fact recall significantly hinders a child's subsequent progress with problem-solving, algebra and higher-order math concepts.

Some ideas for fun & effective math fact practice:

- Roll dice and add/subtract/multiply/divide at a station/center
- Face off in Dice War
- Addition/Subtraction etc. 2 Grab Bags with two types of objects they add or subtract
- Play Math Facts War with playing cards
- Turn Egg Carton into problem generator (add numbers to bottom of each depression & 2 cubes & shake)
- Run flash card race by placing flash cards in a row on the floor
- Math Beach Ball with numbers 1-12 written with Sharpie (closest two numbers to your 2 thumbs +, -, X)
- Math Fact Bingo
- Change students' names for the day and give each a name tag with a math fact on it, all day refer to the child by answer to the equation (3+2, 7X8, etc)
- Play Memory (like Concentration) with playing cards, flip over two cards +, -, X

Connection Corner: Bridging School to Home

Got Gamers?

Video games are here to stay. And with virtual reality headsets, deeper story lines and upgraded graphics, they're even more habit-forming than ever before. In addition to setting and enforcing gaming limits, here are a few more ways you can help manage your child's video game habit:

1. **Avoid using video games as a reward.** Playing games is a privilege. It should not be connected to the things a child should do as a student or a part of a family, such as earning good grades or doing chores.
2. **Help your child find other hobbies or ways to spend their time.** When a child isolates themselves from peers or social events, that could be a problem.
3. **Teach your child smart online gaming safety.** Ask your child if they personally know the people they are interacting with online.
4. **Watch your own screen time and gaming.** Harlow-Parker says, "We cannot set limits with the child when the parent is playing games for 12 hours a day."
5. **Know game ratings, and use them.** Not all games are appropriate for all ages or families.

For more in depth details and examples visit: [CHOA Parenting a Video Gamer](#)

Tech Tip

Last week's tech tip highlighted various learning websites and apps to transform screen time into productive learning time. This week's tech tip focuses on creative outlets that encourage children to explore their artistic side through technology, allowing them to express themselves in innovative and exciting ways.

Examples:

Minecraft- Unlock your child's inner architect with a purpose in Minecraft. Challenge your child to channel their creativity by designing practical structures, such as a state-of-the-art animal shelter, a floating home, or their dream house/bedroom.

Canva- Create greeting cards for friends and family. (Students can access through CTLS in Clever.)

Adobe Express- Create digital posters, collages, or videos. (Students can access through CTLS in Clever.)

Thanksgiving Food Drive
November 1st-19th

Keheley is hosting a food drive to benefit local families. Please have your children bring food items to school and place them on the cafeteria stage OR parents can bring the items to the front office. Thank you.

We need the following items:

Boxed Stuffing

Boxed Mashed Potatoes

Packages of Gravy

Canned vegetables

Canned Fruit

Canned cranberry sauce

Rice

Jarred spaghetti sauce

Spaghetti noodles

Cereal

Boxes of Mac & Cheese

Canned Soup

Canned Yams

Boxed Brownie/Cake Mix

Canned Frosting

Pancake Mix/ Syrup