



MARCH NEWSLETTER



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WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Happy St. Patrick's Day AND Happy Easter, Parents! Last month the kids shouted "Hooray for History" while learning about presidents, historical heroes, America, and our many freedoms. **Mr. Jay's** group learned about Abe Lincoln and made "Lincoln's Cabin" out of Lincoln Logs. **Miss Julie's** group made posters to help promote their campaign to be "Presidents Someday."

Longcoy played "Fighting for Freedom" with **Miss Beth T.**

Mmmm, mmm! The administrators made "Martha Washington" cookies with the kids on their cooking day last month.

Each site also got a visit from **Adam Ray**, a hockey coach for the Kent State Ice Arena and Kent Roosevelt. He helped us learn safety tips about skating and we found out what to expect before we went on our field trip to the Kent State Ice Arena.



EARLY RELEASE DAY

Kent City Schools will release the children at 1 pm on Friday, April 5th. ALL sites will be open at this time, with no extra charge for children that usually attend in the PM.

STAR STUDENTS

Good behavior, manners, respect, and great helpers can be found at Kent Parks & Rec! Everyday the children have had a chance to earn a star for our "Star Students" board. At the end of the week one star was chosen to earn a prize! Please encourage your child to either earn or give a star in our program! Here are our February stars: Samantha Zeller, Andrew Johnson, Kiyal Izaldine, Miles Greer, Mason Seachrist, Morgan Reese, Colby Hafer, Kylee Leifer, Chloe Froning, Jazmine Dennis, Jessica Giamo, Luke Buckey and Jenny Warner.



SPRING BREAK

"HAWAIIAN HANGOUT"

We will be offering all day care, 6:30am-6pm, at the Rec on March 17th-21st for ALL Kent City School students. Our Davey and Longcoy sites will be closed during Spring Break. A movie on the Blimp Screen, bowling field trip, inflatable obstacle course, "Crazy Clothes Day", and a luau will all be a part of the fun! For cost and more information, check your child's mailbox for the "Hawaiian Hangout" flyers. Register at the Kent P&R office today! Deadline is Friday, March 14th.



DONATIONS

Currently, **Mrs. Drumheller** needs empty cereal boxes, 2 liter pop bottles, egg cartons, and plastic coffee containers. She's planning some exciting activities, so we hope you can help her out!

SUMMER CAMP

It's not too early to think about summer! The Rec Center will be open for all day care from 6:30am-6pm. There are many daily activities planned, as well as weekly special events. Space is limited to 40 children, and we fill up quickly! If you are planning on applying for county assistance, the sooner this is done, the better. We want to see your child this summer! Registration begins May 1st. More details coming soon.



GOOD BEHAVIOR PARTIES

Davey AM & PM and **Longcoy PM** reached their goal of filling their behavior jar last month! The staff were looking for groups who showed respect, worked together, and followed directions. When this was seen, a student was asked to put a fuzzy in their group's jar. They got to watch a movie and the AM group earned a donut party, while the PM earned a pizza party. Keep up the good work!

TAX ID NUMBER

Year end totals will not be provided to families. Our tax ID number is: **34-6001563**.

NEED A NIGHT OUT?

Can't find a babysitter? Do your kids love the Rec? The first Saturday of every month we open up the Rec Center to any child age 6-12 wanting to have some fun! The next Parent Nite Out will be April 5th. The cost is \$10 for residents and \$4 for all other siblings. Non-Residents are \$12 and \$6 for all other siblings. From 6-10 p.m. your child will eat dinner, play basketball, make crafts, watch a movie, dance and win prizes! Sign up at the Parks & Rec office and bring a friend!



AM SPOTLIGHT

Davey's AM program has a blast everyday of the week! "*Mad-Lib Monday*": kids will fill in the blanks of various short stories using their grammar skills to create a finished story.



"*Trivia Tuesday*": trivia questions will be asked to help promote math, history and science skills.

"*Wacky Wednesday*": free time in the classroom

"*PE Thursday*": kids will spend time in the gym promoting physical activity.

"*Friendship Friday*": we will help promote character education and social skills.

They are also reading everyday as a group during breakfast time. Last month it was "The Story of Ruby Bridges," "Henry's Freedom Box," and "Don't Know Much About the Presidents."

Longcoy AM is reading "Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator" and the kids seem to really enjoy reading about Charlie's crazy adventures!

EASTER EGG HUNT

Kent Parks & Rec will be holding their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 22nd @ 12:45. Come to Fred Fuller Park to find the eggs, get a picture with the Easter Bunny, and win prizes!



NEW! "NEWSFLASH 4 U"

Want to be updated monthly on all of our Kent Parks & Rec news? Visit us at www.kentparksandrec.com and subscribe to our free monthly newsletter...it's easy! You will receive it through your email on the first of every month. Be the first to know about registration deadlines, upcoming events, and much more!



THANK YOU

A big thank you goes out to all of the parents who brought in snacks for our Valentine's Day parties last month. We had a lot of fun!



