

## From the Head Teacher, Dr. Petra M. Horn-Marsh



Dear Everyone,

As we come to the end of this academic year, it is with great pride that I can look back at the many achievements of the students. They have worked so hard. The many social emotional learning values that have been on display throughout the year have particularly come to the fore as we end the term – resilience when tackling a particularly tricky problem whether it is in class or a problem between friends; courage in coping with changes; love and honesty towards all members of the school community; appreciation and happiness for each other; and all the opportunities they are given within the school. All the teachings and learnings strengthen the students' character and their ability to make the most of every aspect of school life.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank teachers, paras and staff for their hard work this year. It has been a year of changes, and they have played pivotal roles in the success of this school year. Teachers, paras and staff have embraced this and continued to provide the best education for the students.

I would also like to thank all parents, caregivers and guardians for their unconditional support and collaboration this year. A great deal of what we do in school cannot be achieved without their support.

Finally, I would like to wish all students who are leaving us at the end of this academic year all the very best on their journey. I know that they have all had a great start here in Emery Hall and know that they will go on to achieve great things in the future.

Have a wonderful summer holiday, and we look forward to seeing you all again in August!

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# Student of the Month Recognitions

Every month, we would like to recognize two students, one student from the Kindergarten-2nd Grade/Center Based Program category and another student from the 3rd-6th Grade category, for demonstrating the elementary school five pillars of PRIDE based on the recommendations from teachers. The five pillars of PRIDE are:

**P** = Preparation (e.g., coming to class ready with completed homework, a pencil and an agenda book)

**R** = Respect (i.e.: following staff instructions, respecting others and their property, and using appropriate manners)

**I** = Independence (each student's ability to independently follow classroom expectations)

**D** = Diversity (individual students share, include all peers, and show kindness to everyone regardless of gender, race, creed or preference)

**E** = Effort (working to their best potential)



Student of the Month for March  
K-2nd Grade/Center-Based Program Category  
Elisha Watson



Student of the Month for March  
3rd to 6th Grade Category  
Skylet March



Student of the Month for April  
K-2nd Grade/Center-Based Program Category  
Raymond Wentz



Student of the Month for April  
3rd to 6th Grade Category  
Francisco Galindo

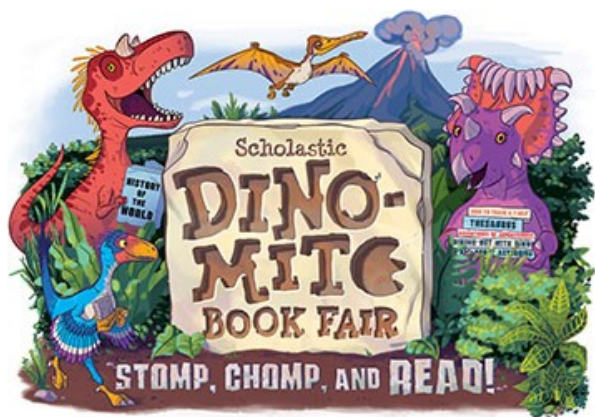


## **Scholastic Book Fair Update**

Ms. Mona Huggins, Sub Library Media Specialist

During the week of April 22-26, KSD held its yearly Scholastic Book Fair. The students had a wonderful time looking at all the different book options, and many of them purchased books! Our school endowment was generous and gave each student \$5 to spend at the fair! Thank you so much. We appreciate your support!

Our final sale total was \$2,315.00! Your book purchases at our fair give us \$925.00 in Scholastic Dollars to use to purchase more books for our libraries. Thank you ALL for supporting the book fair!!



## **It's a BOY!**

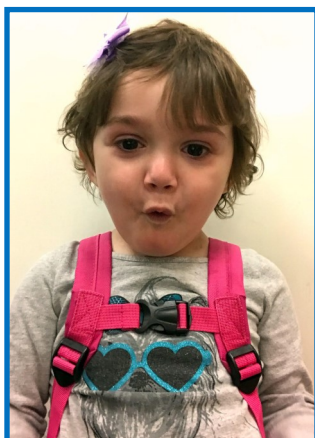
Our biggest congratulations to our Library Media Specialist Beth Beadle and her husband Jonathan on the arrival of their new baby son, Albert Jared (AJ) Stephen Beadle.



**April 12th, 2019**  
**8 lb & 1oz. 22 inches long.**

## **WELCOME to KSD!**

New Students



**Frankie Dale**  
Early Childhood Center



**Noah McKinnis**  
Early Childhood Center

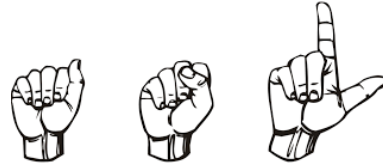


**Estela Wagner**  
Early Childhood Center

## **From the Bilingual Spot**

By Mr. Kester Horn-Marsh, Bilingual Specialist

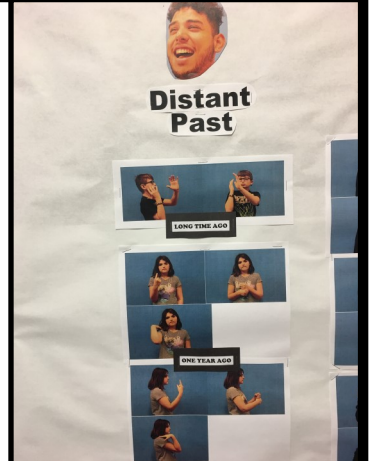
### **“Timing in ASL”**



This quarter we have noticed that many students are struggling to use correct time signs for past, present, and future events in ASL. To help with this, Raul Melgar, a KSTAR student, who had his internship with the Bilingual Department this semester, created a bulletin board to benefit all students. Raul hopes to have a career in ASL after attending Gallaudet University starting this fall.

In ASL, time is expressed in a combination of two skills. The body itself is used as a time line. Signs for the present time (now, today, et cetera) are signed close to the front of the chest. Signs for the past occur right behind the body to far behind the body (yesterday, last month, a year ago, et cetera) Signs for the future occur from right in front of the body to far in front of the body (tomorrow, next week, far into the future).

These signs must also work seamlessly with facial expressions to indicate the severity of how long ago or how far into the future the times actually are (recently, a long, long, time into the future, ages ago, et cetera) Facial expressions for a really long time ago would include an eye squint and a tongue rolling in the mouth. Current time facial expressions could use pursed lips. Something in the recent past or the recent future would use bared teeth. Something in the far future would use an open mouth and squinting eyes as if looking far, far away. No wonder people who use ASL are such great multi-taskers!!!



## **Mini Academic Bowl**

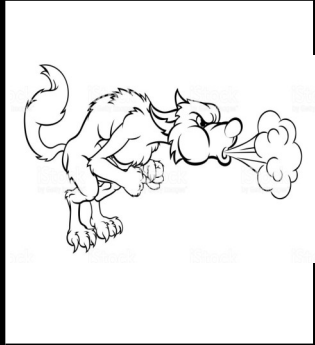
Ms. Julie Bustos, 2nd Grade Teacher

On the last day of school, Julie's class had their first-ever Mini Bowl. The students used a real buzzer system to answer questions about things they learned all year. They were expected to buzz in quickly and write their answers down on a whiteboard - with correct spelling! Questions included spelling words, reading comprehension, math facts, science concepts and famous people from social studies. The students had a lot of fun, and I look forward to next year and possibly future Academic Bowl players!!





# Spring Program 2019: Variations of 3 Little Pigs and the Big Bad Wolf





## Elementary School Field Day

By Ms. Valerie Watson, Sr. Administrative Assistant

The students had a full day of fun activities, swimming and learning to work as a team during the annual Field Day on May 16th. They played noodle hockey, tugs of wars, volleyball with big blow up volleyball, just to name a few activities. All kids were worn out, but they had fun! Many thanks to Ms. Nancy Schultz for coordinating the activities, and many thanks all staff for their help and participation to make it fun for our students!



## Early Childhood Center Field Day and Family Picnic Fun

By Ms. Nancy Milner and Ms. Stephanie Koehler, Early Childhood Teachers

Marie Qualls was the lead organizer for our annual Field Day activities on May 17th with great assistance from Connie Hanson, Sharon Waltrip, Melissa Nix, Stephanie Wilcox and Tiffany McCallum. The theme was "Circus." Students were assigned to teams designated by colored bracelets that corresponded to their lead paras' shirt colors. They moved through a variety of stations. Parents joined in the fun, too. Some of the activities at each station were duck in pond, bouncy house, racing cars on slides, balancing beam, and many more. The final activity was a parachute play, which kept everyone engaged and laughing.

By lunch time, we were all hungry and enjoyed a feast of hotdogs prepared by Tessa Adcock and her fabulous kitchen crew with side dishes and desserts brought by parents and staff. It was a great day with time for parents to meet classmates and their families while making special memories with their children.







## Learning All About Money

By Ms. Molly Rothwell, 3rd Grade Teacher

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, the third graders went to the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City in Kansas City, Missouri. The students saw where the money was kept in the vault and they actually saw billions of bills on this trip. The students learned how strong their security system is and that nobody could come in to steal the money. After the tour, we all went on

the street car to travel to get ice cream at Betty Rae's Ice Cream. The students practiced and learned how to order

food and pay themselves before the trip. We had a great time and learned a lot!



## Home Depot and Bowling

By Ms. Kim Wedel, EH Para

On April 19th, the kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grader students went to Home Depot to learn how to build their own mini-toolbox. They students really enjoyed hammering nails into the tool box. They also got to paint the toolbox. After that, the classes went to Mission Bowling to eat lunch and to go bowling. Some of the kids bowled a strike so that was fun to watch. The kids had a good time and they liked that they were able to bring their toolbox home to show it off to their parents.



The 2nd Annual Parent Support Group "Painting Fun" event on April 27th, families with deaf/hard of hearing children had fun painting together. Painting was led by Marie Qualls.



# Emery Hall 2018-2019 Honors

## Perfect Attendance Recognitions 2018-2019



EC/Elementary Head Teacher Petra M. Horn-Marsh presented Perfect Attendance Recognitions to Orlando Cobos-Sosa, Phoebe Muzzy and Kasandra Rodriguez.

## Accelerated Reading Top Honor *100 Point and over*



Sophia D'Angelo— 150.6 Points  
With Mona Huggins, Substitute Library Media Specialist.

## PE Award

*Special honor for any K-6th who demonstrated excellence of sportsmanship, participation and attitude during PE classes.*



Logan Wiesner and Kasandra Rodriguez with PE Teacher Nancy Schultz.

## Dorm Students of the Year



Dean of Student Life Mary Hughes presented Dillon Cooper and Kasandra Rodriguez the Dorm of the Year award.



## Congratulations to Pre-K class for promoting to Kindergarten!

Class of  
2032

Brooklyn Caldwell  
Alihyah Cole-Castillo  
Skylar Fillmore  
Brody Hunninghake  
Mariah McCant  
Graisen McConnell  
Skyler Nussbaum  
Rex Watson  
Scarlett Wiesner



## Congratulations to 6th Grade class for promoting to Middle School!

Class of  
2025

Leornalis Garcia  
Tyler McCallum  
James Morris  
Armando Wigley



## Day at the K

By Ms. Valerie Watson, Senior Administrative Assistant

On May 2nd, KSD students from the 3rd grade to 6th grade took the day off and went to the 21st annual School Day at The K at Kauffman Stadium where the Kansas City Royals plays. The students saw some scientific experiments conducted by the Fox4 Weather Team. It was fun to watch that. After that, the students had a cook out for lunch with hotdog, chips and sides. They then went back in the Kaufman Stadium to watch the Royals playing baseball against Tampa Bay Ray. While the game was very close, it was tied up to the 9th inning then the Rays scored 2 runs to take the team up to 3-1 over the Royals. Overall, everybody had fun going to the Royals game.





# SUMMER SPLASH



Private reserved event for families with deaf/hh children! **FREE!**

Each family brings  
a snack based on  
the first letter of  
last name:

A-I – Salty  
J-R – Sweet  
S-Z – Fruits

Sunday,  
June 16, 2019  
6:30 pm – 8:30

Spring Hill Aquatic Center  
20900 Sycamore Drive  
Spring Hill, KS 66083

RSVP to [plummer@kssdb.org](mailto:plummer@kssdb.org) by Thursday,  
June 13<sup>th</sup> with # of attending & age of children.

## Summer Education Series 2019

Theme: *World Civilizations - Ancient & Modern*



Participants: Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students – Ages 3-21

Dates: June 10 – June 28, 2019

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Early Childhood  
8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Grades K-12  
(OPTIONAL: Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. for Grades K-12)

Location: Kansas School for the Deaf  
450 E. Park Street  
Olathe, KS 66061

Transportation: Provided by local school districts  
*Note: Parents and local district are responsible for informing KSD of arrangements made.*

Residential Accommodations: To be determined by the local school district

Purpose: To further students' language & communication skill development, academic skills, world knowledge, and socio-emotional skills following the Kansas College & Career Readiness Standards and/or Essential Elements. Summer programs at KSD also fulfill the ESY requirement to ensure the provision of Free and Appropriate Public Education, so that the child can make progress toward the goals specified on the IEP and to prevent regression.

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# Camp Sunshine

St. Joseph, MO

**\$175** registration  
(Additional child: \$150)

**JULY 14-19 2019**

Open to ages **7-14**

Deaf, Hard of hearing, Child of Deaf Adult, siblings of deaf child, are welcome!

Riding horses   Arts and crafts   Swimming   Outdoor games

contact: [sertoma@gmail.com](mailto:sertoma@gmail.com)

For more information and register:  
[www.sertomadeafcamp.org](http://www.sertomadeafcamp.org)




6/10/2019 to 6/29/2019– Extended School Year at KSD

7/1/2019 to 8/18/2019– Summer Break  
(EH office will be open)

8/15/2019– Day Student Enrollment Day (4pm-7pm)

8/18/2019– Dorm Student Enrollment Day (1pm-4pm)

8/19/2019– First day of School

9/2/2019– Labor Day– No School

9/21/2019– KSD Homecoming 2019