



KINGSTON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Principal's Notes



It is with great pleasure that I begin my first year as Principal of Kingston Intermediate School. Our students and staff are off to a great start this year, settling into our daily routines very nicely. The KPTO held a Walk-A-Thon on September 12, 2009 and I had the good fortune to meet many parents who were in attendance that day. I wish to extend my thanks to everyone who has made my arrival and first month of school such an enjoyable experience. Happy Fall!

Dr. Lisa McMahon

Thank You

...to our custodial and office staff. We extend our thanks for their hard work during the summer preparing our school for the new year !

Instructional Technology

Students have been working on keyboarding and word processing using Type-to-Learn (grades 3, 4) and Typingtest.com (grades 5, 6). These skills will help students throughout the year as we progress along the course of all the learning standards.

Each month, three different classes will create a graphic design project using draw tools, WordArt, clip art, borders, freeform, etc. Finished products will be displayed in the halls throughout that month. These skills will be useful when developing projects in various content areas.

During October, classes will be discussing cyber safety. This is a great time to have a family discussion about internet rules in your home and when visiting friends.

Have an Awesome Autumn,

Mrs. Bevans



October



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Important Dates

Tues. Oct. 6- 7pm KPTO meeting

Mon. Oct 12-Columbus Day

No School

Tues. Oct. 13- Teacher In-Service

No School

Mon. Oct. 19-

3pm School Council meeting

7pm School Committee meeting

Tues. Oct. 27th-Picture Retake

PE News

The fall weather has been wonderful and PE classes have enjoyed lessons in Soccer and Field Hockey. As the weather cools, please remember to wear a coat. Cross Country Running, Football and Lacrosse will be covered before the children head inside for the winter.

Children with medical conditions should always keep the PE teachers informed. If needed, modifications to the lesson will be made to ensure all can participate at some level.

Also, appropriate footwear is required. Students will not be allowed to participate if their sneakers are untied. It is not safe for them or others.

Reading for Entertainment with KIS

Mrs. E. Smith's grade 4 class thoroughly enjoyed listening to their first read aloud, *Frindle* by Andrew Clements. It's about a boy named Nick who learns about how words are created. Nick decides to create a new word for pen. His new word, *Frindle*, spread across the country. We highly recommend this entertaining read.



Do YOU have a "great read" to recommend?

Announcing Study Island's Free Parent Orientation Webinar

Study Island's first Parent orientation webinar will be held Tuesday, October 5, 2009 at 7:00 PM EST. This online session will provide inside tips, helpful news and insightful knowledge to all parents of Study Island Students.

You can learn more and register at: <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/733819850>



STUDY ISLAND

"What we want is to see the child in pursuit of knowledge, and not knowledge in pursuit of the child"

George Bernard Shaw

LEGENDS IN HISTORY

This fall, grade five classes will be working with Mrs. Bevans in the computer lab in preparation for a grade level performance assessment activity. Fifth graders will research and report on world explorers, famous inventors, and legendary heroes. This interdisciplinary unit will be successful in meeting curriculum goals in social studies and science/technology, as well as literacy and learning. More to come!



Columbus

