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# **CRUSADER CONNECTION**

2ND QUARTER—NOVEMBER TO JANUARY 2013

Message from Michael Douglas, Assistant Principal

It's November at Kennedy Jr. High, and the cool winter weather has blown in for the season. Please use caution commuting to and from school as the cold weather can create icy, slick conditions on the streets and sidewalks.

1<sup>st</sup> quarter is complete and many of our students received high marks while making great progress in the classroom. We invite you to sit down and discuss your students' 1<sup>st</sup> quarter report card and help them establish goals for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. A parent being involved in their students' school work is the most effective way to help students' achieve success in the classroom.

SCHOOL CHOICE: School Early Open Enrollment Period for 2013/2014 school year begins December 1, 2012 and ends Tuesday, February 19, 2013. The Early Open Enrollment Period is the best time to request a school other than the home boundary school. Get applications from the school that you are requesting. More information is available on the Granite District web site—graniteschools.org

Our student athletes represented Kennedy well this fall, as they competed in Soccer, Volleyball and Cross Country. We would like to congratulate our student athletes and coaches for their successful seasons. Kennedy is proud of its tradition of excellence in athletics.

Parents, we would like to encourage your student to seek extra help in their course work during our **free tutoring** that takes place before and after school in the media center. Teachers are available to assist students in all of their core subjects. Access to the schools computers and internet is made available during this time for school related assignments.

Thank you for your continued support. Kennedy students are the best!

GO CRUSADERS!!!



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Media Center
2nd Quarter
Reading Challenge
"Utah's Beehive
Book Nominees
List"



### \*\*\* A Farewell Thanks \*\*\*

I want to thank all of my students, current and former, and their families for the good times I have had here at Kennedy Jr. I am retiring January 18, 2013 and will be moving on to new things. My years at Kennedy have been wonderful and I have loved the time I have had with my students. Junior high school is a tough time for almost all students and I hope I have made it easier and better for the youth entrusted to my care. My students have always been my first care. I have enjoyed the great staff and faculty we have and they have been supportive and fun to work with. Thanks again for all of your help, support and kindnesses. **Jennie Williams** 

# Important School Notices and Calendar

# Dance Company "Silent Auction"

Dance Co. is having a Silent Auction on Tuesday, November 20th. There will be holiday gift ideas for the whole family. Please tell your friends even if they do not attend Kennedy. Parents, grandparents, and siblings are invited to attend. The auction starts at 3:00 p.m. and will run until 7:00 p.m. Starting bid on some items are as low as .50.



Dance Company will be helping the PTSA on the first Friday of December, the 7th, by supporting Kennedy Jr. High at Village Inn from 5:00—8:00 p.m; 4824 West 3500 South.

Winter Dance concert/recital on Wednesday, December 19th. \$3.00 per person. Come out and enjoy a great night of dance.

. All dance classes will be represented.

# Fundraiser for Christmas Box House

Student Council is organizing a fundraiser for the Christmas Box House in December. This is a shelter for children who have been removed from their homes for abuse or neglect. We will be collecting donations at lunch so that the children at Christmas Box House can get some much-needed supplies and other items for the holidays.



Help Others !!!
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Feb 12 & 13

### 2nd TERM CALENDAR Nov 19 Boy Basketball @ Hunter 3:00 Girl Basketball vs Hunter 3:00 Nov 20 End of Math Fundraiser Nov 21-25 "Thanksgiving Break" Nov 23 West Valley Christmas Parade Boys Basketball vs West Lake Nov 26 Girls Basketball @ West Lake Nov 27 & 28 "Annie" auditions after-school Nov 28 Boys Basketball @ Matheson Girls Basketball vs Matheson Dec 3-14 Christmas Box Charity Drive Boys Basketball vs Brockbank Dec 3 Girls Basketball @ Brockbank Boys Basketball @ Jefferson Dec 5 Girls Basketball vs Jefferson Dec 10 Boys Basketball vs Valley Girls Basketball @ Valley Boys Basketball @ Kearns Dec 12 Girls Basketball vs Kearns Dec 12 Orchestra Concert 6:30 pm Band Concert 7:30 pm Winter Dance—3:00-4:00 cost: \$2.00 Dec 13 Boys Basketball Quarterfinals Dec 19 Girls Basketball Quarterfinals Dance Concert 6:30 Winter Holiday Assembly Dec 20 Dec 21 -WINTER RECESS Jan 1 Jan 2 Boys Basketball Semi-Finals Girls Basketball Semi-Finals Talent Show Tryouts Jan 7-9 Ian 7 Girls Basketball Championship Boys Basketball Championship Jan 10 Jan 17 End of 2nd Term NO SCHOOL End of Term Jan 18 Jan 21 Martin Luther King Day-NO SCHOOL Talent Show Assembly Ian 31

Parent-Teacher Conferences

4:00 to 7:00

### KENNEDY PTSA NEWS!!!

Many thanks to those parents who volunteered to bring food for our teachers on SEP night! The teachers appreciated it so much and we appreciated your willingness to serve our teachers! Also, thank you to those who helped at our Harvest Dance. We could not have done it without you. Thanks to our wonderful student government students for decorating the gym!!!!

Thanks for coming out to our Village Inn night in October to support the "Band and Orchestra Students". Thanks to those parents who committed to bringing your students to play. Please come out and support Dance Company on Friday, December 7th from 5-8 p.m.!!

We are looking for parents to join us next year on our board. Many of our wonderful volunteers next year will not be joining us as their students will be attending high school. If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact me: President-Elect, Secretary, Leadership VP, Legislative VP, and Treasurer.

I would like to wish all of you Happy Holidays !!! Rebecca Gill, PTSA President (801-840-5885)



### PTSA Dates to Remember

PTSA Meeting: Monday, December 3rd at 8 am Village Inn Night: Friday, December 7th 5-8

Come Support Dance Company

PTSA Meeting: Monday, January 7th at 8 am Village Inn Night: Friday, January 4th 5-8

### Need Some Extra Help !!!!

Need Help With Raising Your Grades !!!

### \*\* Tutoring Available \*\*

Morning Tutor/Computer Lab in the Media Center
Monday-Friday 6:45 to 7:40 am
After-School Tutor/Computer Lab in the Media
Center

Monday-Thursday: 2:45 to 4:45 pm



## \*\* Extra Math Tutoring \*\*

Monday-Thursday in the Media Center 2:45 to 3:45 pm Or from 2:45 to 3:45 with the following teachers:

Monday w/Mrs. Cropper, Room 45

Wednesday w/Mrs. Bajraktarevic, Room 41

Thursday w/Mrs. White, Room 53

### INFORMATION FROM HUNTER LIBRARY FOR TEENS

- \*Renaissance Magic Show with Erick the Red, Tuesday, Nov 27th at 7:00- great for families- this guy will teach the kids their own trick and do magic that relates to the time of the Renaissance.
- \*Anime Club, Wednesday, Nov. 28th at 4:00. We are making some fun acrylic charms. Even the guys could make their favorite character and put it on a key chain.
- \*Teen Tween Time, Friday, Dec 7th from 2:00 3:30. Come and make some fun things for the holidays.

And the cool thing in the library: Need help with homework? Need a study break? Try to <a href="http://www.slcolibrary.org/teen/index.htm">http://www.slcolibrary.org/teen/index.htm</a>.

College Career Readiness Planning (Formerly SEOP)

Our College Career Readiness Planning meetings will be starting in February. Parents will have the option of scheduling their meetings with counselors on-line through Canyon Creek, a link on Kennedy's home page. Parents without computer access will still be able to phone in for an appointment. More information will follow as it gets closer to February.

Phone number for the Counseling Center is 385-646-5216

### Attendance Reminders

- \* A student is allowed "7" excused days during the school year.
- \* When your student has any type of medical visit, ask for a note to bring back to the school.
- \* Automated phone messages are sent home every night for students who are absent 1 or more periods during the day. If you get a call and have any questions, call Judy at 364-646-5218.
- \* Parents can go on the school website and check grades and attendance.

Have A Jun Thanksgiving Break

Be Safe

See you Back to School on the 26th!!!

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Newspapers
Phone Books/Paperback Books
Cardboard Packaging
Cardboard Boxes—Flattened
White Colored Office Paper



