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Welcome to the 2016-2017 School Year!

Welcome to All Our New and Returning Students!

Welcome friends, new and returning, to another great year at Kent-Meridian Cooperative Preschool.

We hope you have all enjoyed your summers and are excited to begin a new year at school. We look forward to sharing a year of new adventures, Creative explorations, and Creating lasting friendships with all of you!

We hope that your experience with our cooperative preschool will be wonderful and that this new school year brings you many opportunities to participate in a meaningful way in your child's education.

If you would like to become more involved in our preschool, please consider joining the board in the fall or joining us at any of our board meetings. Contact your Class President for more information or our KM Co-Chair's Eileen Burns Caparoso or Kris Thompson!

Have a wonderful school year! ~ Mary Henson, Newsletter mary.Charlee@gmail.Com

Reminder of the Class Cleaning Change

KM Families-

One big change this year is our new class cleaning deposit. You will be asked to write and leave a check with us post dated for the month of your class cleaning. When you attend and participate in your class cleaning you will be given your check back, if you cannot make it the check will be cashed the next morning. As always, if you know ahead of time that you cannot make your cleaning please contact your class cleaning coordinator to setup an alternate date. If you makeup your cleaning obligation after the check has been cashed we will refund your money after your cleaning obligation has been met. The class cleaning deposit is \$100. Questions? Please email me directly!

- ~ Eileen Burns Caparoso KM Co-Chair 415-717-5051
- ~ You can find a schedule with each class cleaning date on page 3 of this newsletter. Be sure to mark your calendar now so you don't forget! ~

Orientations

Tuesday night was the evening orientation for the preschool and this week the daytime orientations for each class were held. Thank you to all of you who were able to attend and who turned in orientation paperwork. If you were not able to make it to the evening or your class orientation, please be sure to contact your Class Teacher or Class President for the proper information and paperwork!









KM T-Shirts and Onesies!

KM Families! Here are our amazing new shirts that are available now. Order yours and enjoy them all year! Onesies are \$10, kids sizes are available for \$12 and adult sizes are \$17. Customize yours by adding your name! The star is also customizable to change to your current class color!



Newsletter submissions are welcome from any member of the preschool! Each month the Class Secretaries submit articles highlighting events and activities in their class. We also accept child and parenting-focused poetry and letters, information on community happenings, recipes, small classifieds, etc. There is no guarantee that your submission will be included but I will do my best!

Deadline for contributions is the 20th of the month.



Why Co-Op Preschool?

My daughter is starting her 3rd year here at KM. We started our journey through co-op preschool when she was 4 months old in the White Class and I am so grateful we did. As a new Mom staying at home with my little one, I had no clue what I was doing. I remember thinking as we left the hospital with my daughter, "Wait, where is the manual for what I do now?" Luckily, I found so many answers in parent ed. Slowly as the year continued, my confidence grew. I found a group who cheered me on when I had those successful days and a support system for the days when it seemed everything had gone wrong.

Not only did I find support in the members and families in my class, but in our amazing teachers as well. They didn't just spend the time to get to know my daughter, but me and my family as well. They took the time to get to know us as a whole and help not only me and my daughter, but my traveling husband and now my 4 month old second little girl. Our family has benefited in so many ways from KM and I am excited to enjoy another year with this great community. I hope you find the same support here that we have!

~ Mary Henson, Orange Class Mom!











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KM hosted an open house on Friday. Thank you to those of you who passed the word about our preschool and made the event such a success. Full classes are crucial to running our school and funding our school's budget. If you know of other friends or family who are looking for a preschool please let them know about our school! Visitors are welcome in our classes so be sure to check with your Class Teacher and Class President to arrange a visit!

2016 - 2017 KM Schedule

October 4th - Purple Class Cleaning

November 1st - Orange Class Cleaning

November 11th - No School for Veteran's Day

November 24th to 25th - No School Thanksgiving Break

December 12th to January 2nd - No School Winter Break

January 3rd – Blue Class Cleaning

January 10th - Yellow Class Cleaning

January 16th - No School for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 24th – Orange Class Family Night
January 31st – Kindergarten Readiness Night

February 7th - Green Class Cleaning

February 20th to 24th - No School for Mid-Winter Break

February 28th - Purple Class Family Night

March 7th - Blue Class Family Night
March 21st - Red Class Family Night
March 28th - Yellow Class Cleaning

April 4th - Green Class Family Night

April 10th to 14th - No School for Spring Break

April 18th - White Class Family Night

April 25th - All School Meeting

May 9th – Red Class Cleaning
May 19th – Last Day of Classes

Won Ton Appetizer

A little appetizer for all those football games. My family and friends are always really happy when I show up to the game with these on a tray!

Won Ton Appetizer

2 cups cooked, crumbled sausage (chicken or pork)

1 1/2 cups sharp cheddar cheese, grated

1 1/2 cups monterey jack cheese, grated

1 cup prepared Original Hidden Valley Ranch Dressing

1 can sliced black olives

1/2 cup red pepper, chopped

1 pkg fresh won ton wrappers

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cook crumbled sausage, and place on plate with paper towel to soak up any grease. Combine sausage with the cheeses and remaining ingredients. Lightly grease regular or mini muffin tins. Press one wrapper in each cup. Brush won ton lightly with olive oil. Bake won tons at 350 degrees for 5 minutes, or until golden brown. Remove from tin and place on cookie sheet. Fill each won ton with sausage/cheese mixture. Bake at 350 degrees for 5 minutes or until bubbly.

~ Submitted by Teacher Jen!



