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KEY KERBY DATES

Dec. 6 Parent-Teacher Conferences—Evening Only
Dec. 7 A.M. Only for Students—11:36 A.M. Dismissal
Parent-Teacher Conferences—P.M. & Evening



Dec. 19 South Band O Rama at G.P. South—7 P.M. Dec. 20 Strings Extravaganza at G.P. South—7 P.M.

Dec. 21 Kerby Instrumental Assembly 10:00 A.M. in Gym

Dec. 25-Jan. 2 Winter Break—No School Jan. 3 School Resumes 8:20 A.M. NWEA Winter Testing Window

Jan. 15 No School All Day—Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Observed Jan. 18 Kindergarten Info Night— 7 P.M. at all Elementary Schools

Jan. 19 A.M. Only for Students—11:36 A.M. Dismissal Jan. 25 Kerby P.T.O. Meeting—6:30 P.M.—Art Room

Feb. 16 Mid-Winter Break Begins End of Day—Dismissal 3:38 P.M.

Feb. 19-23 No School—Mid-Winter Break

Feb. 26 School Resumes 9:05 A.M.—Late Start



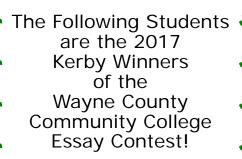


SAVE THE DATE! Friday, December 8, 2017 6:00-8:00 Kerby Gym



Get ready for surprises & some holiday fun!

Bring the whole family!



Sarah G. Zoe K. Chyla B.

CONGRATULATIONS!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION...



December 19—South Band O Rama

This concert is **Monday**, **December 19th at 7 P.M.** in the G.P. South High School Gym featuring band (woodwind & brass) students from Kerby, Trombly, Maire, Richard, & Defer, along with Pierce Middle School and South High School. Participating students to report at 6:30-6:45 P.M. to the Student Commons (signs will be posted to direct you).

December 20—Strings Extravaganza

Strings Extravaganza takes place on **Wednesday, December 20th at 7:00 P.M.** This concert features all string students in GP Public Schools, grades 5-12. The location is the gymnasium at North High School. 5th grade string students will arrive with their instruments by 6:15 P.M. wearing nice clothes—no gym shoes. Signs will be posted directing 5th grade string students to their warm-up room.

- December 25 through January 2—NO SCHOOL—Winter Break
- January 18—KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT Kindergarten Information Night is scheduled for Thursday, January 18, 2018, 7:00 P.M. in the Kerby Library. Open to all parents enrolling a child in kindergarten in the fall of 2018.



FULL CIRCLE UPSCALE RESALE

The Full Circle Upscale Resale at 17006 Mack Avenue (at Cadieux) in Grosse Pointe is operated by the Full Circle Foundation. They are a non-profit organization working in collaboration with the Grosse Pointe Public Schools, The Arc, and various community groups. All of the profits go back into the store which trains the Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods students in work-based education. They appreciate donations of gently used clothing for men & women. Donations may be dropped off during the hours of operation Monday through Friday 10 to 5:00 and Saturdays 11 to 4:00.





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Remember to keep collecting BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION for our easy & profitable Kerby fundraiser.

Visit the website above to view all eligible products.

Send labels to Kerby at any time in an envelope or baggy with your name & teacher's name on it.



KERBY'S FREE ONLINE ART GALLERY ON ARTSONIA IS UP & RUNNING! We have 95% of Kerby families participating in Artsonia (up from 92% last year)!

This is a great number, but I know there are still Kerby families that may want to view their child's art portfolio. Help spread the word about how AWESOME it is to see your child's artwork published online. It's anonymous but best of all: FREE to view & share with family across the globe!

DID YOU KNOW?

You can also download the FREE APP through your app store to photograph & upload any artwork your child creates at home! Enjoy this special feature!

Art Projects:

K: We finished our "Printed Snowflakes", & now are working in 3D, making our "Sculptural Snowmen."

1st: We have finished our "Blizzard Snow Globes" mixed media collage, & are beginning our "Hot Air Balloons" oil pastel, highlighting contour line & pattern.

2nd: We finished our "Winter Birch Trees" painting with a focus on space & value, & are now exploring artist Frank Stella & abstract art.

3rd: We have finished our "Skiing Snowman" & next we will be exploring folk art from Central & South America with the creation of Molas from Panama & Inca Masks.

4th: We have finished our "Winter Woodland Landscape" which included hand painted textured paper as well as collage & texture. We are currently exploring relief sculpture with traditional African Masks & Kente Cloth.

5th: We have finished our "Pumpkins at Midnight" chalk pastel drawing along with our "Winter Textural Landscape" & are now exploring "Radial Symmetry."

Mrs. Erin Maday, Kerby Art Teacher

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SERVICE-SAFETY MEMBERS OF THE MONTH

The following students were nominated by Mr. Ron Masters, our Kerby Service-Safety Advisor. The 2017-18 Kerby Captains are: Anthony R., Ava P., Luke B., & Savannah S.

FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

Charles B. Eleanor B.



FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

Ava B Jill A.

ASK THE PRINCIPAL

Do the students stay in for recess if it is cold outside?

⇒ Kerby students go outdoors for recess two times each day throughout the school year unless it is raining hard or the wind chill is below zero degrees Fahrenheit. Please be sure that your child leaves for school dressed properly for the weather. All students must have **boots and snowpants** to play on the wood chips, gaga ball court, or playfield once the snow is on the ground—otherwise they must stay on the blacktop. Students should **NOT** throw snow or ice while on Kerby grounds. This will help all the students enjoy the joy of snow. We also ask that you write your child's name on his/her gloves, hats, boots, and coat. Our Lost and Found quickly fills up!

What are the procedures for drop off and pick up at Kerby?

- ⇒ Please remember that parking on Beaupre is **ONLY** for kindergarten parents who have a current parking pass. This area, from Kerby to Touraine on Beaupre is a NO PARKING ZONE for parents who did not purchase a kindergarten pass.
- ⇒ There is no parking in the drop off zone (yellow curb on Beaupre and cut out on Kerby Road) between the hours of 8 to 9 A.M. and 3 to 4 P.M. If you are using either of these drop off areas between these hours, please remember to pull forward to allow other cars to enter behind you.
- ⇒ Parents should say goodbye to their children outside of the building. We ask that parents do not enter the building with their child and accompany them to their classroom in the mornings. When there is an indoor admittance day due to rain or cold temperatures, please do not wait inside with your children. We have adult supervision present, and too many bodies make for an over congested and unsafe environment.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping Kerby safe during drop off and pick up.

Go to http://gpschools.schoolwires.net/ to access the Kerby Website.
Updates to the Kerby calendar will be made regularly.

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Digital Picks

From your Elementary Library Media Specialists

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The Grosse Pointe Public Schools offer easy, 24-7 access to a variety of kid-friendly digital resources for reading and research. Links to all of these wonderful websites/databases can be found on our school's homepage under the "Library" tab--just select "GPPS Library Reference Sources" and explore!



<u>www.duolingo.com</u> Duolingo is a great language-learning platform and website and app that is free. Learning is fun with points scored for correct answers.



<u>Sushi Monster</u> is a game created by the Scholastic educational team in which players must solve a series of addition and multiplication math problems.



<u>Drawp for School</u> is the award-winning K-12 workflow management platform with built-in design tools, swipe-to-share collaboration, standards-aligned content and unlimited cloud storage. Students use Drawp creativity tools to add drawings, voice recordings, text and photos to assignments.



Bookabi is a new fun interactive and entertaining iPad app for your kids to create their very own storybook! Unique and innovative it offers a wide selection of 2D and 3D characters, fanciful backgrounds and fun stickers and objects that your kids can place, resize and rotate with the swipe of a finger. Everything is included for your kids to get creative.

Elementary Library Media Specialists

- Danielle Gostomski: Kerby, Mason, Poupard, Richard
- Amy Hermon: Kerby, Maire, Poupard, Richard
- Sherry Martin: Defer, Ferry, Mason, Monteith, Poupard
- Cheryl Quinlan: Defer, Kerby, Maire, Mason, Monteith
- Rachel Walpole: Defer, Richard, Trombly

