



# F. J. Kingsbury School

## OCTOBER 2018

“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.”  
— Dr. Seuss, *I Can Read With My Eyes Shut!*

Mr. Erik Brown, Principal

Mrs. Inez Ramirez, Vice Principal

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October Calendar of Events

- 5 Student of the Month Ceremony 9:00 am
- 8 NO SCHOOL - COLUMBUS DAY
- 9 NO SCHOOL - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY
- 12 PTO meeting 9 - 10:00 am
- 19 FALL PICTURE DAY (info. coming soon)
- 25 Family Math Night 5 - 6 :00 pm (info. coming soon)
- 26 Fall Festival (info. coming soon)

**IMPORTANT**  
**Mark your calendar!**

**NO SCHOOL – MONDAY, 10/8/18**  
**COLUMBUS DAY**  
**AND**  
**NO SCHOOL – TUESDAY, 10/9/18**  
**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY**

**A Message from the Principal, Mr. Brown**

Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

In order to prevent lost items, please label your child's clothing. It is getting cool outside and we often get an enormous amount of unclaimed lost clothes. Check your child daily to ensure he/she returns home with everything you sent him/her to school.

**KINGSBURY MISSION STATEMENT**

In partnership with families and communities, Kingsbury’s Mission Statement is to prepare our students Academically, Artistically, Emotionally, Physically and Socially to ensure that all students Learn, Succeed, Think Independently and Value All People.

**MENSAJE DEL DIRECTOR BROWN:**

Para prevenir que se pierda los articulos de ropa de su hii/a, favor de escribir su nombre en una etiqueta. Se esta poniendo frio y ya tenemos unos cuantos articulos que nadie ha reclamado. Este seguro de revisar diariamente que su hijo/a regrese con todos los articulos de ropa.

**DECLARACION DE LA MISION DE KINGSBURY**

En conjunto con los familiares y la comunidad, la declaracion de la Mision de Kingsbury es para preparar nuestros estudiantes Academicamente, Arte, Emocionalmente, Fisicamente, y Socialmente para asegurar que todos los estudiantes Aprendan, Tengan Exito, Piensen por si mismo y valoren a todo los demás.

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

Main Office	203.574.8172	..	Bus Company	203.591.1847
School Fax	203.573.6644		Special Ed. Bus	203.753.8366
School Nurse	203.574.8316		Parent Liaison	203.346.2639
Cafeteria	203.346.3987		Family Intake Center	203.346.3511

**Important Information:**

- Children should arrive **NO EARLIER THAN** 8:05 a.m.
- \*Children eating breakfast at school should arrive before\* 8:25 a.m.
- The start of the school day begins at 8:35 a.m.
- Students begin dismissal at 2:40 p.m.
- If Kingsbury School has an **early dismissal**, dismissal time will be **12:00 p.m.**
- If an **EMERGENCY dismissal** is called, dismissal time will be **12:00 p.m.**

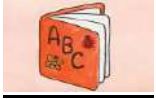


\*Board of Education Attendance Policy

**\*ATTENDANCE:** Any student enrolled in the Waterbury School System in grades K - 12, whose absences equals 20 days, will automatically receive a grade of incomplete for all subjects. **WE EXPECT STUDENTS IN SCHOOL EVERYDAY!!!**

State of Connecticut law says that every child enrolled in an elementary school must attend regularly.

**BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION:** Remember to bring in your Box Tops! Ask friends and family. Each Box Top counts! Kingsbury School earns money for school supplies!



Parent's Corner

DID YOU KNOW.....

TARDINESS/EARLY DISMISSAL

For Elementary Schools: Total unexcused tardy and unexcused early dismissal time accumulated throughout the year will be assessed to the student's academic record. This means that for every tardy and early dismissal, points will be deducted from their grades. School starts at 8:35 am and ends at 2:50 pm.

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION'S POLICY "ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE WITH RESPECT TO TRUANCY, #5113.2, WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.**

**A Message from the Parent Liaison, Mrs. Hulse**

Please feel free to contact me at any time at 203.346.2639 Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Please join the members of the Coffee Hour to discuss events and programs to improve your child's educational future. PTO meets once a month to plan activities and to better the Kingsbury family. Be a part of your child's educational years.... the best years ever!

**Notes from the Library Media Center, Mrs. Halloran**

**Lexia (Reading Practice) Type to Learn 4 (keyboarding practice) and Smarter Balanced Practice Tests** are now available for home use through Kingsbury School's website!

- Please visit Kingsbury's homepage at <http://www.waterbury.k12.ct.us/17/Home>
- Under "Quick Links", scroll down to find access to each program
- Instructions for downloading and signing in are given for each

Please enjoy participating in these educational activities with your children.

Also, please explore Kingsbury's website for helpful information regarding the PTO, District News and Educational Websites.

# Classroom News



**Kindergarten - Mrs. Caligiuri, Ms. Radzimirski, Mrs. Signore, Mrs. Wolff**

We are already soaring in kindergarten! We had a great start to our 2018-2019 school year; and we are excited to keep the learning fun and rewarding. At home, please help by working on writing all upper and lower case letters correctly; as well as their name. Also, please remember that the mornings could be getting cooler, so please be sure to check the weather before heading out the door in the morning! Our mixed bags fundraiser will be running from October 1<sup>st</sup>-October 19<sup>th</sup>. Any money raised will be used toward our Kindergarten field trips; so sell, sell, sell!!! Happy Fall!

**Grade 1 - Ms. Capaldo, Mrs. Hamel, Mrs. Milkovic, Ms. Porcaro**

Hello Fall!!!! Our first grade students have been working very hard in both reading and math. In math we have been working on adding and subtracting with 10. Students have been working on tapping and writing cvc words. We are also looking forward to our field trip to the fire house. Permission slips will be sent home soon. Please check your child's folder on a daily basis.

**Grade 2 - Ms. Cigas, Mrs. Galanti, Ms. Gundersen, Mrs. Scalò**

Happy Autumn! Our second graders are off to a fantastic start this year! In Math, we are studying addition and subtraction strategies, learning how to solve story problems, and learning about graphs. In Literacy, we are working on reading fluently, story elements, and character traits. In Science, we are studying the engineering design process, and how to build a ramp.

Please remember to check your child's homework each night for completion, and to check your child's ROARS behavior calendar daily. Please read aloud with your child each evening, and make sure your child dresses appropriately for the cooler weather.

**Grade 3 - Mrs. Gauvin, Mrs. Kitney, Ms. Marques, Mrs. Rizzo**

Third grade is off to a great start! The students are busy reviewing the ROARS expectations daily. Positive behaviors are rewarded and allow us to make learning more enjoyable. Please speak to your children about the importance of good behavior so that all children can learn. In math, we are learning different strategies to help us solve multiplication equations. In ELA, we are working on character traits, grammar, reading, and writing skills. Please have your children read 20 minutes every night. Thank you for your support!

**Grade 4 - Mrs. Cassone, Mrs. Ferrucci, Ms. Osborne**

WELCOME BACK KINGSBURY FAMILIES! 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE HAS SPENT THE LAST FEW WEEKS PRACTICING ROUTINES, PROCEDURES AND COMPLETING BEGINNING OF THE YEAR TESTING! PLEASE BE SURE BEHAVIOR CALENDARS ARE SIGNED DAILY AS THEY ARE CHECKED EVERY MORNING. CONTINUE TO HAVE STUDENTS READ 20 MINUTES (Mon-THURS) AND PRACTICE MULTIPLICATION FACTS. iReady can also be used at home for extra math skills practice. AS QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ARISE, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US WITH A NOTE OR PHONE CALL. WE ARE OFF TO A GREAT START AND ARE EXCITED ABOUT THE YEAR AHEAD! ROAR!

**Grade 5 - Mr. Bisailon, Ms. Dibella, Mr. Morrissey**

The 5th grade is gearing up for what promises to be a spectacular year. It was a pleasure for us to meet so many of you at the Ice Cream Social and at Open House. The 5th grade team is asking that parents check their students homework folders and planners on a daily basis. Students are expected to be prepared with homework assignments completed and absenteeism should be at a minimum. Please ensure your children are studying their multiplication facts - It is vital to their success in 5th grade math! Also, please make sure students are reading nightly for a minimum of 25 minutes.

Thank you for your support and partnership in the education process. We look forward to teaming up with you for the success of "our" children!

