

# ***Kegonsa Family Newsletter***

November 13

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Happy Friday! Mr. Jones, our 1st-grade teacher, was just reminding me that this is the 2nd Friday the 13th in 2020. Our last Friday the 13th was in March. This was the last time that we were all together in "normal" school. It's hard to believe that we have been in this for 8 months, and while hard, we are continuing on together. I can't say enough how fortunate we are to have the community we have here at Kegonsa and in Stoughton. Even in the midst of a pandemic there still is so much joy.

Have a wonderful weekend, - Erin

## **Community building --- On pause for now**

Dear Kegonsa Students and Families,

Due to changing schedules and needs, Community Building is ending on Friday, November 13. Mrs Benson, Mrs Dozois, Mrs Rosenberg, Mr Schultz, and Mrs Wellentin have all loved seeing everyone who participated these past two months. Thank you so much to everyone for their love and support.

Be well!

The MAPEL+C Team

## 20-21 Official Family Calendar

# NOVEMBER 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5  Athletic Clothing/ Sports Day!	6  NO SCHOOL	7
8	9	10	11  VETERANS DAY Observance @ 8:15	12	13	14
15	16	17 WFK Meeting 6:15-7:15	18	19	20  Mismatch Day	21
22	23	24	25  NO SCHOOL	26  NO SCHOOL	27  NO SCHOOL	28
29	30  All school Zoom at 12 to celebrate Nov. birthdays!					
Important Reminders						



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## K-2 Virtual Vikings

### K-2 Virtual Vikings Start Monday

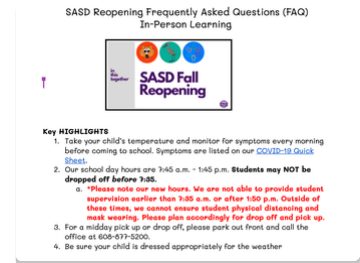
We are excited to start with our Virtual Vikings on Monday. If you weren't able to pick up your materials today, we will have them out on Monday for you to pick up. See you all soon!



## K-2 In Person

### K-2 In-Person Students - See you on Monday!

We are so excited to welcome our in-person students back to school on Monday. Please make sure to read our [Frequently Asked Questions](#) document for details about arrival, departure, transportation, meals, and materials needed. Please make sure to label all of your students clothing.



### Bus Expectations



### For K-2 In-Person Vikings

We added a few things to our FAQ document, including:

- **HEALTH:**
  - Unless your child has a known health condition, please do not provide your child with over the counter medications, as these could mask the symptoms of COVID-19.
  - We are a nut-aware district. Please do not send your child to school with nut products.
- **FOOD SERVICE:**
  - For families bringing lunch from home, we will NOT be offering school milk for lunch at this time.
  - For families who signed their child up for school lunch on November 6 or later, please remember to pack a lunch for your child until you receive a lunch confirmation email with your school lunch start date.
- **IN THIS TOGETHER: COVID-19 ABSENCE AND SCREENING:**

- Each morning families are expected to screen their child based on the [Self-Screen Quick Sheet](#).
- 1. If your child has tested positive for COVID-19,
- 2. Has symptoms of COVID-19, or
- 3. Has had close contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19, please keep your child at home. Call our attendance line to report the absence. Coming next week we will also have a Student COVID-19 Form that we will ask families to fill out. Thank you for doing your part!

## Snacks and Lunches for K-2 In Person

Reminder: We are a nut-aware district. We strongly discourage sending any nut or nut products with your children.

### K-2 Welcome Back



# SELF-SCREEN QUICK SHEET



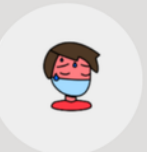
## Before sending your student to school, you must screen them.

Answer the question: **Does my student meet one or more of the self-screen criteria listed?** If NO, you may send your student to school. If YES, follow the **Next Steps**.

### SELF-SCREEN CRITERIA



Student has tested positive for COVID-19



Student is experiencing symptoms\* of COVID-19



Student has had close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19

### NEXT STEPS

1. Call your school's attendance line to report your student's absence.
2. Fill out the [Student COVID-19 Form](#) at [stoughton.k12.wi.us](http://stoughton.k12.wi.us) under the "COVID-19" tab.
3. Contact your health care provider for next steps.



### \*Symptoms of COVID-19



- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fever equal to or greater than 100.4°F
- Chills
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell
- Diarrhea
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting

## In Need of School Supplies?

We want to make sure your family is feeling supported in all aspects during this time.

As your student navigates virtual learning, please let Mrs. McDermot know if they are in need of school supplies (notebooks, folders, writing utensils, etc.). Feeling organized and prepared for their day can make a big difference and help your student be successful!

Additionally, please contact Mrs. McDermot if your family is in need of winter clothing items, information about holiday programs, or any other resources during this time.

Kayla McDermot, School Social Worker – 608-440-0270

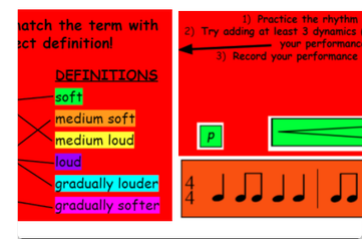
[kayla.mcdermot@stoughton.k12.wi.us](mailto:kayla.mcdermot@stoughton.k12.wi.us)

## Veterans Day 2020



## News from Music!

This week's artifacts are from Ethan T. in **4th grade** where we are starting a unit on dynamics, the lounds and softs that help us be expressive in music.



## This week in Art

K-2 Art	3-5 Art
<p>GRATITUDE TREES</p>	<p>WE CAN WE WILL QUILTS</p>
<p>BIG IDEA: ARTISTS MAKE ART THAT HELPS CONNECT AND STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY.</p>	<p>BIG IDEA: ARTISTS MAKE ART THAT HELPS CONNECT AND STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY.</p>

### KINDERGARTEN STUDENT ART!



Skylar Muir

Brady Weber

Cora Talbert

### 3RD GRADE STUDENT ART!



Cameron Woodring-Sanders

Myles Garfoot

Solveig S

### 1ST GRADE STUDENT ART!



Ben Nagel

Kinsley Koepke

Cal Olin

### 4TH GRADE STUDENT ART!



Mackynzie Johnson

Monica Verbeten

Mason Sieb

### SECOND GRADE STUDENT ART!



### 5TH GRADE STUDENT ART!



## Out and about with PE

Looking for a beautiful trail to hike with your family? Check out the Camrock Trail which parallels Koshkonong Creek! You can access this trail at trailheads in either the Village of Cambridge or Rockdale. If you go, be sure to stop by the playgrounds along the way! [Camrock Trail](#)



## What we're up to in the library!

This week in library, grades K and 1 got to look at one last Module 1 read-at-home book before we move on to Module 2! Grades 2-5 are getting close to finishing up digital citizenship, and 4th grade has started submitting requests for the 3D printer!



Hello from your friendly school librarian! With face to face instruction starting soon, we're making some changes to how families can get books from the library. If a student puts a book on hold or requests a grab bag and they come to school in person, I will drop their bag of books off at their class. I can also drop off books for older siblings who are still learning virtually. If your student is joining the Virtual Vikings, they can still request books from our library and those would either be picked up during the day, or delivered after school. When a student has a book they are ready to return, they can give it to their teacher (face to face) or put it on the return cart in front of the building, or I can coordinate a contact-free pickup after school. As always if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Kristin Rosenberg through [email](#) or in Seesaw.

## Library Curbside Pickup

While we are learning virtually, we want to help get books in students' hands! When school starts, students will be able to use our school library website to put books on hold. When the books are ready, I will reach out to students and families to schedule a contactless pickup. When students are done with their books, families can drop them back off at a specific location during the school day, or they can schedule a contactless pickup. More information [here](#)

## School counseling

Navigating these virtual times can be challenging. If your child would benefit from some individual counseling, small group counseling, or a facilitated "virtual lunch bunch" with Mr. Schultz, our school counselor, please reach out. We are here for you!

Mr. Schultz, School Counselor (877-5229)  
[jake.schultz@stoughton.k12.wi.us](mailto:jake.schultz@stoughton.k12.wi.us)



**Jake Schultz**

Titles: Counselor

## Attendance Matters

- Attendance will be taken **each day** by classroom teachers.
- Attendance for the day for Virtual students is submitted by the classroom teacher at 3 p.m.
- Students will be marked present if they participate in **FULL** virtual synchronous Math/ELA instruction and/or they submit daily work to their grade levels learning management system.
- Automated attendance messages for Virtual students will be sent out at 4 p.m. if a student has not participated during the course of the day.
- Attendance for the day for In Person students is submitted at 8:30 a.m. and the attendance message will be sent out for unexcused absences at 9:00 a.m.
- To leave an attendance message, please call 608-877-5200 and press "1."



After tracking attendance for the first quarter of the 2020 virtual school year, our attendance team is prepared to take the necessary steps regarding student truancy. Student attendance is still vitally important to the success of our students, even when we are in a virtual environment.

Should your student need to be absent, please follow the guidelines established in the Student Handbook by **calling the attendance hotline at 877-5400**. Should your student need to be absent for a medical appointment, please provide a medical note from your doctor so that student can be excused. We would like to remind you that medical notes do not count toward a parent excuse. Medical excuses include doctor, dental, orthodontist, and therapeutic appointments as well. Based on state law, parents are allowed to excuse their student 10 days for the year. The truancy process can begin when a student has five unexcused absences.

If your student's attendance is of concern you will be receiving a letter in the mail inviting you to a virtual meeting to discuss barriers and solutions.

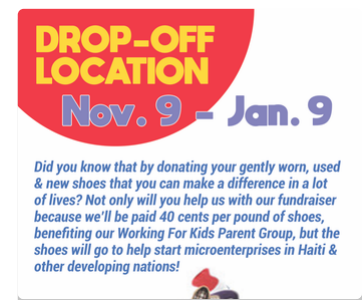
## From Nurtured Heart - COVID2020

Follow this [link](#) to this week's Nurtured Heart message.



## Save your shoes. We are collecting!

We are having a shoe drive to raise funds for our school. Consider donating gently used shoes. Drop off site at Kegonsa!





**KEGONSA  
ELEMENTARY**

# SHOE DRIVE

**November 9 - January 9**

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# FREE CHRISTMAS DINNER

**NO  
DINE-IN**  
Due to  
Covid

**All Are Welcome!**

**PICK UP OR  
DELIVERY ONLY**

Donations are  
Appreciated

**RSVP** to indicate which  
option works for you!  
Call (608) 873-8585 by  
December 18th, 3:00pm

*Pick up is at:*  
**American Legion (608) 205-9090**  
**803 N. Page St., Stoughton, WI**

**Deliveries** will start at 10:00am  
**Pick up** 11:00am - 1:00pm

*Deliveries limited to Stoughton Area School District*

Leave  
Your name  
Address  
Phone number  
How many  
dinners you  
need

**Hosted By: American Legion, VFW Post 328  
And Their Auxiliaries And Volunteers**



## The Giving Tree

*Good Shepherd by the Lake Lutheran Church* will be doing a **GIVING TREE** to support families with children attending Kegonsa Elementary School that are in need of assistance with gifts at Christmas. *If you are in need of assistance with gifts at Christmas, please call the church office at 873-5924.*

Requests will be taken from November 5 – November 29. All requests must be in by November 29.



## Reminder and Helpful Links

Missed materials pick-up or conferences? Contact your classroom teacher or principal for help. Find our building phone numbers below.

[Click here](#) to sign up for door-to-door meal delivery

[Click here](#) for tech support

[Click here](#) to request a hotspot

[Family Slide Deck](#) (We published this last week, and recently updated it to reflect the Dane County Emergency order #9)

## Kegonsa Working For Kids (Parent Group)

On behalf of Working for Kids, we would like to introduce ourselves and ensure you have all you need to know for supporting your child(ren) and school throughout this school year... and beyond! Click [here](#) to read more about what we do.

Upcoming Meetings! (Held via Zoom at 6:15)

November 17

December 22

If you would like to sign up to come to a meeting, please submit your name and email [here](#). This form is managed by our WFK parent leadership. They will connect you with a zoom link for upcoming meetings.



## Past Newsletters

Fall Newsletters:

[November 6](#)

[October 3](#), [October 9](#), October 16, [October 22](#) [October 31](#)

[September 7](#), [September 11](#), [September 22](#), [September 25](#), [August 14](#),

[August 21](#), [August 31](#)



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## Kegonsa Elementary School



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Ms. Conrad, Principal (877-5201)

Mrs. Sannes, Dean of Students (208-3468)

Mrs. Moe, Admin Assistant (877-5202)

Mr. Schultz, School Counselor (877-5229)

Ms. Hopper, Instructional Coach/Reading Teacher

Mrs. McDermot, School Social Worker (440-0270)

Ms. Menon, School Psychologist

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