

Congratulations to Granby's Teacher of the Year, our very own Kim Narciso! Kim is an exceptional teacher who works hard every day to provide an outstanding educational experience for her students and to enhance the Kelly Lane learning community. **Congratulations Kim, the honor is well deserved!**

SPECIAL EVENTS

October 5th

National Be Kind Day
(wear blue)

October 12th-13th

NO SCHOOL

October 20th

Vision Screening
Kindergarten and Grade 1

October 21st

Thank a Bus Driver Today!

October 27th

Hearing Screening
Kindergarten and Grade 1

October 29th

Character Day Parade
(Link will be sent the morning of the parade.)



Kelly Lane

October News

2020

Dear Kelly Lane Families,

Happy October! Fall is certainly in the air. I hope you get some time to enjoy the leaves changing, the smells of fall and all the special things October has to offer! At Kelly Lane, we have had a wonderful start to the 20-21 school year. It has been lovely to have all of our students back to school and in just a few short weeks they have settled into classroom procedures and the learning has been amazing! I also wanted to thank all of the teachers and parents for a successful virtual open house. It is always a nice time to share all of the wonderful learning that is going on in our classrooms each day.



Throughout the month of September teachers and students have created expectations for learning in their classroom. This is accomplished through students sharing their hopes and dreams for the school year as well as setting goals. Our classrooms have been buzzing with great things! One of my hopes and dreams for this school year is that all families feel valued, welcomed and listened to at Kelly Lane!

This month, we will be celebrating with our school community by having our annual character parade on **Thursday, October 29th, 2020**. We look forward to continuing this tradition here at Kelly Lane, but unfortunately we will not be allowing parents this year.

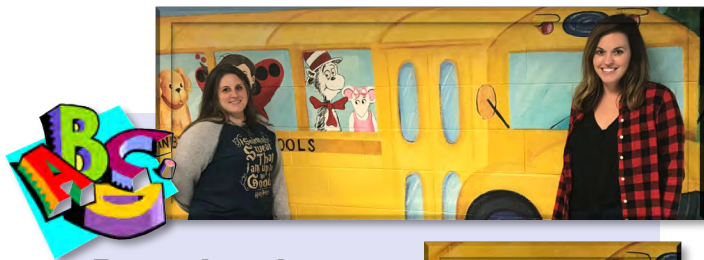
In addition, we will be celebrating "National Be Kind Day"! **On October 5th we will encourage all of our staff and students to wear blue!**

As always, we at Kelly Lane value partnering with parents to help students do their best at school! Happy Fall!

Cullen Bava

Principal, Kelly Lane Primary





Preschool News

Our preschoolers have been busy learning about one another and what it means to be a good friend. We have been exploring our new classrooms and learning all of our new routines through centers, song, movement, and many more fun activities!!! We have also started learning about the letters in our names and what it means to be a beginning writer!



First Grade News

In September, we worked together to establish rules and routines to set the stage for learning. Now we are ready to continue to build good reading habits for independent and buddy reading and to learn habits for tackling unknown words. In writing, we are focusing on writing small moment stories. As mathematicians, we are learning to put together and take apart numbers up to 10. October is a busy month!



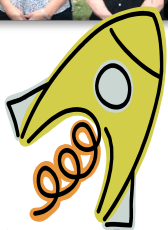
Second Grade News

We are off to a busy and exciting year in 2nd grade! We have been building our reading stamina with just-right books and writing "small moment," narrative stories across pages. We have been learning to find the sum or difference of an equation by making ten. In the upcoming month, we will concentrate on decoding strategies, reading fluently and being active readers. The students will continue to write narratives, as they work to integrate strategies learned from mentor authors. In math, we will continue to build our math fluency and introduce place value concepts.

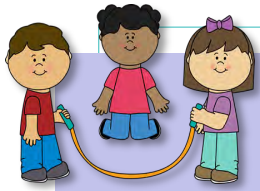


Kindergarten News

10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1
BLAST OFF!



We are launching Readers' Workshop. Students will begin classroom "book shopping" for books to put into their book bins and . . . our readers will be building "stamina" for their independent reading time.



PE with Miss Kozieradzki

PE classes have been practicing personal space, locomotor movements, and learning ways to help friends from a distance. Please remember to dress for the weather as PE will be outside unless it is raining or below 32 degrees. Bring a water bottle & wear sneakers!

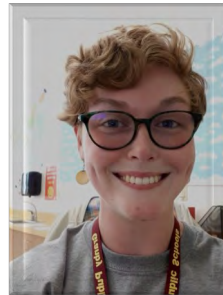
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MUSIC WITH MRS. LUCAS

Welcome to a new year in the music room!!

The music room has some new changes this year to conform to current guidelines. We are still very busy making music, but our toughest hurdle is that there is no singing in the music room this year. According to the state guidelines, there is not enough room for us to safely distance and sing. However we are being creative with exploring music with our bodies, some classroom instruments, and chants.



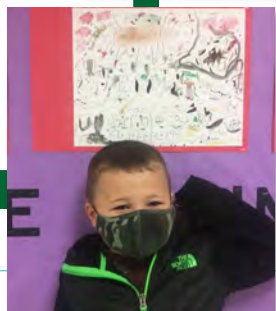
Also new this year, we have a new member to our music team! Miss Carla Stoddard will be joining Kelly Lane in February to teach strings to all students! She is currently teaching strings at Wells Road. It will be exciting to have both strings and general music this winter!!



Although we have limitations, you will still find lots of fun, smiles, and of course music coming from the music room! If you ever have any questions, please feel free to contact me at lucasn@granbyschools.org.

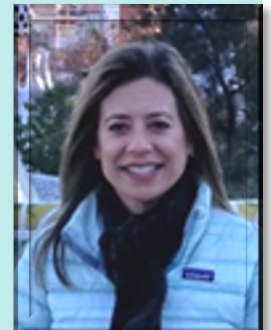
Art with Mrs. Miller

Kindergarten art students learned about artist Paul Klee and his painting Cat and Bird. First grade artists experimented with taking a line for a walk to see where it would take them. Inspired by artist Paul Klee. Second grade artists drew from their imagination inspired by artist Joan Miro.



Spanish

Kelly Lane Students are learning greetings in Spanish such as ¡Hola!, Buenos días and ¿Cómo estás? Students are practicing how to introduce themselves. They are also learning how to count and say their colors in Spanish. Learning takes place through a variety of activities including; manipulatives, songs, and storytelling. Ask your child to teach you something in Spanish! Please feel free to contact me at: Iapichinol@granbyschools.org



Señora Iapichino

Media Center News!

Getting Library Books!

This year the Kelly Lane Media Center is offering classroom delivery for library book checkout! Children will all be able to request a library book using their iPads and we will deliver it to their classroom. Books will be due on the day listed below and new books will be delivered to the classroom by the end of that day.

Email us with any questions: wyzika@granbyschools.org

Library Book Swap Days

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hagstrom Sessions Budlong Diemer	Buder Narciso Curley Toth Bisaillon	Spellman- Cloutier Kibby (2 nd) Ferreri Stone	Savaiano Williams Kibby (K) Wilken	Fluckiger Goldberg Meyers



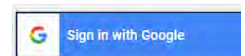
How to Request a Library Book!



1. On your child's iPad, click on this app.
2. Click on "log in" in the blue bar at the top of the screen.



3. Click "Log In with Google" and login with your child's granbyschools.org account located on the sheet sent home labeled "My Google Account"
4. Use the search bar at the top to search for a book.
5. When you've found a book you would like, click on "Hold". That's it! Have fun!



Important Technology News and Updates!



A new iOS (Operating System) was recently released for the iPads. Please update your iPad.

Go to Settings > Software Update > Download and Install

Please take a minute to setup your child's iPad if you haven't done so yet.

1. Login with the school given appleID
2. Turn a passcode on (0000)- click on settings> privacy> turn on passcode> passcode options
3. Login to your child's granbyschools.org account (this is their google account and is extremely helpful when your child needs to login to their accounts at school. This will also help with connecting to Google Meets should we need to be virtual.)

Watch for our upcoming iPad agreement that is being sent out to parents during the month of October. It will include important information about student and parent iPad responsibilities.

Friendship Group



Dear Families,

As the School Mental Health Professionals at Kelly Lane Primary School, we will be working closely with students, families, and teachers. Your children know us as “The Helping Teachers” at school.

They know that there are lots of things we help with: we help kids make friends, we help kids solve problems, we help kids feel safe and happy, we help kids make good choices, and we help kids figure out how they learn the best. Part of our role at Kelly Lane Primary School is to provide social, emotional, behavioral, and educational support to all students. While we are available to any student in need of such support, we also work directly with students in need of continued intervention on a weekly basis. We work collaboratively with teachers and parents when a student requires social, emotional, and behavioral intervention on an ongoing basis.

Throughout this school year, we will be conducting various Friendship Groups, where students will learn how to interact positively with their peers, resolve conflicts, participate effectively in group situations, and respect themselves and those around them. On occasion, students may be chosen by their teacher or a peer to attend a Friendship Group. Often, students who attend on a one-time basis serve the role as a peer model. Sessions will be held outside the classroom for approximately 30 minutes. If your child is chosen to participate in a group in this way, we will send you a notice in their take home folder that afternoon letting you know that your child participated in a Friendship Group. To ensure the health and safety of our students who participate in Friendship Group we will be taking the following precautions; increased cleaning before and after we see students, using hand sanitizer, wearing face masks/face shields and the use of a plexiglass shield that allows the students to see the activity and each other but helps to maintain the proper distance and provides protection.

If you do not want your child to participate in a Friendship Group, please notify us via email at pomeroyl@granbyschools.org or pagec@granbyschools.org, so we make sure not to take them from class. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks so much and welcome back to school!

Sincerely,

Lauren and Cheryl



***Lauren Pomeroy,
M.Ed., Ed.S.***

School Psychologist



Cheryl Page
School Social Worker



Character Day Parade

Storybook Character Day will be celebrated on Thursday, October 29th.

All of the Kelly Lane Community will be dressing up like a story book character. ***Mask rules still apply.*** Please send your child to school dressed as their favorite book character.

Some ideas include: *Junie B. Jones*, *Fancy Nancy*, *Biscuit*, *Fly Guy*, *Jack* or *Annie* from the *Magic Tree House*. We ask that you send your child to school with the correlating book so they can share it with their classmates. During the school day we will have a school wide book parade to show off our story book characters. Unfortunately parents will not be able to attend this year.

We will live stream the event at 9:30am for AM Preschool, Basaillon, Curley, Ferreri, Spellman, Buder, CKibby (2nd grade), Stone and Toth. We will live stream the event at 1:30pm for PM Preschool, ChKibby (kindergarten), Wilken, Hagstrom, Sessions, Savaiano, Williams, Budlong and Diemer. **We will email the link in the morning on October 29th.** If you are unable to view live we will be sending out a link to the video at the end of the day.

SCHOOL LUNCH WHAT'S COOKING?

Start your day off right with one of our breakfast bags!! Try our hot

breakfast sandwiches or our warm apple or cherry strudels!

Our monthly menus are on our Kelly Lane Website under "Parents & Students", "Food Service".

We look forward to a great year serving healthy and delicious meals daily!!

From all of us in the Kelly Lane Kitchen



Educational Points

Thank you to all of our families for supporting Kelly Lane through your purchases at Stop & Shop and Target. In the past, these programs have allowed us to purchase books, classroom supplies, playground and PE equipment. We hope you will continue to think of us while you're shopping by using the following codes.

Stop & Shop - #5849

Target - #38700





MESSAGE FROM THE CLINIC

October is the month to set up an appointment with your child's pediatrician for a flu shot.

Flu season is coming! The flu is a serious contagious disease and the flu vaccine is the most important step you can take in protecting against the flu.



Mrs. Christine Santa RN

Attention Parents of Preschoolers: All preschoolers in the state of CT are required to have the flu vaccine: 1 dose administered each year of preschool between August 1st-December 31st. Please provide proof of the flu vaccine after your child receives it.

Clothing Items

Accidents and spills happen. Please pack a change of clothes for your children to leave in their locker or backpack. Pants and underwear are most helpful to have. The clinic has a small supply of clothes, but may not always have the size your child may need. If you would like to donate any clothes, we would greatly appreciate it! We are in need of boys pants and underwear.



Vision and Hearing Screening

We will hold vision screening on October 20th for K and 1st grade.

Hearing screening will be on October 27th for Kindergarten and 1st grade.

NATIONAL BUS SAFETY AWARENESS

In the month of October, we celebrate National Bus Safety Awareness Week (Oct. 19-23). We will reviewing bus safety in our classrooms during that week and a special thank you to all of our Granby bus drivers that transport us to and from school every day.

Please take a moment to talk to your child about bus safety and following the bus rules such as staying in your seat quietly, keeping hands and feet to yourself and remembering to wear your mask.





Morning Drop-Off Procedure

Please do not drop your children off before 8:15am. There is no supervision before that time. Please use both semi-circle in front of the school and the parking lot entrance to drop off your student. During drop off in the morning, please have your child exit from the right side of the car, on the sidewalk. We can not double up the cars for drop off. Students should not be crossing the drop off lanes. **If you are dropping off after 8:30, please utilize the second driveway, as the front, half circle is used for bus drop off.** If your child is in a car seat or needs assistance, you can use the second entrance for a little more space and time. If you are dropping off after 8:45 you will need to bring them to the school entrance and buzz the office and we will come and your child.

End of Day Pick-Up Procedure

If your child is not on the “permanent pick up list” and you need to pick them up early or at the end of the day you must write a ***dated note to the teacher with the first and last name, printed, of your child and their teacher, on the day of the pick up*** (if you were unable to write a note please call or email the office as soon as possible).

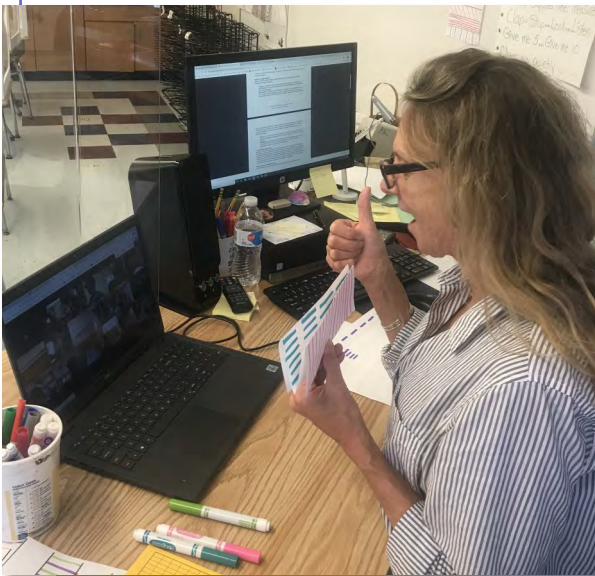
PICK UP PROCEDURE (Please read carefully):

During pick up, we will be utilizing both entrance ways, please pull up to a numbered cone, have your family sign in the window and we will call for your child. Please be patient during this time. When you pull up to a cone, a staff member will call for your child and then we will bring your child to your car. **Parents can not come into the building to pick up their child during this time.** If a staff member does not know you, you may be asked for an ID. Thank you for your understanding.

If you have a **GOLD** student, you will use the front, semi circle bus lane, to **pick up (between 2:50-3:15 only)** your child. If you have a **MAROON** student you will use the parking lot entrance and drive to the back towards the playground to **pick up (between 2:50-3:30 only)** your student at the side of building. Please pull up to a numbered cone and a staff member will call for your child. ***It is helpful if you have the door open and help your child into their car seat.***

If you are picking up after 3:15, you must use the parking lot entrance (the semi-circle area is used for the buses starting at 3:15).

Our first month at Kelly Lane Primary School!



Music with Mrs. Lucas..

Distance learning Art Class with Mrs. Miller.



Writing with Mrs. Kibby.



A birthday picture and surprise from Mrs. Bava.



Fun in preschool.



Miss Williams' class eating snack and taking a mask break in the courtyard.

Mrs. Deimer's class reading in the courtyard.



The Kindergarten Team is jumping for joy because they are so happy to be back.



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