

KENT BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT  
MARCH 2018  
ENROLLMENT: 234

The Kent Center School Scholarship Fund Chocolate Fest was very successful this year. Thanks to all the volunteers, local stores, restaurants and private schools who made helpful donations. The Chocolate Fest raised close to \$3,000 for the KCSSF.

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class visited HVRHS on February 5<sup>th</sup> for a tour of the high school. They learned about different course offerings and got familiar with the layout of the high school. They had the opportunity to hear from high school students about their experiences at HVRHS and learned about different clubs and sports offerings. Students were able to enjoy a lunch and catch up with their area friends in the cafeteria.

February 13<sup>th</sup> was the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school! Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders set a goal to collect 100 items for the Kent Food Band in honor of the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. They surpassed their goal by collecting 182 items! The collection was presented to First Selectman Bruce Adams.

Nineteen students in grades 5-8 participated in the 2018 regional select band and chorus. Students attended four rehearsals on Wednesday afternoons in January and February, traveling to HVRHS to work with musicians from the other five elementary schools. The students took their act on the road, touring all six elementary schools for their performances. The festival culminated in a final performance on February 14<sup>th</sup> at the high school. This performance also featured a couple of high school groups.

The Student Council visited the Senior Center on Valentine's Day. They had lunch with the seniors and had the pleasure of talking with many of them and hearing their stories. The seniors were sad to see them go at the end of lunch. They are looking forward to their next visit on March 26<sup>th</sup>.

On February 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, both kindergarten classes visited the Salvador Dali exhibit at The Morrison Gallery in Kent. It was a wonderful opportunity to view the incredible works of a world renowned artist. The kindergartners drew their own interpretations of Dali's work and extended their learning to create some surrealist pieces back at school.

We held a storm drill on February 27<sup>th</sup>. Due to the exceptional behavior of our students, the drill was completed in 10 minutes. Great job!

Also on February 27<sup>th</sup>, students in grades kindergarten through grade 8 were given the opportunity to create recycling posters to be judged this month. The theme was: What's In? What's Out? What can go in your recycling bin? The posters look amazing and they demonstrate how much knowledge our students have about recycling. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> placed winners at each grade level will be announced during our Arbor Day celebration in April.

The Inventor's Fair went extremely well on February 28<sup>th</sup>. There were 25 inventors who participated, each of them making unique and useful inventions. The judges were Mark Scozzafava, Mary Lindenmayer, Ellen Corsell, and Frank Way. After much discussion, the four students moving up to the regional competition are August Smith, Noah Love, Bella Sanders, and Carter Sneller. Thank you to everyone who helped make this fair a success.

Upcoming Events:

March 13	School Spirit Day
March 14	Grade 4 Arts Day
March 15	Report Cards
March 16	No School – Teacher PD
March 26	Student Council to visit Senior Center
March 28	1pm Dismissal – Teacher PD
March 30	No School – Good Friday