

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
MARCH 2017
ENROLLMENT: 236

The KCS Geography Bee was held on Friday, February. Ten finalists from grades 6-8 participated in the event. Seventh grader Michael Chavka was the winner of the Bee and went on to take the test to qualify for the state competition.

The Regional Select Band and Chorus toured all seven Region One Schools over the course of two days, February 14–15. KCS featured 18 of our most motivated and talented musicians in grades 5-8 during the two day concert tour. Students from all the schools combined for seven extraordinary concerts, culminating in the final concert at HVRHS, which included high school performers too!

On Wednesday, February 15, Mrs. Makarewich's third grade class and Mrs. Mott's fourth grade class went snowshoeing during their physical education class. Students did an awesome job helping each other put on snowshoes and learning how to walk in them. Once out on the field, students had an activity to complete and then the whole group went for a hike around the entire Kent Center School fields. At the conclusion of this activity, students were heard saying the following phrases: "That was FUN."; "I'm exhausted."; "I like Mrs. Mott's kids."; "I'm so hot." "We really walked far."; "I think we walked forever!" Consequently, the consensus of opinions was that the snowshoe event was a great experience for all. Besides, it was loads of fun, too!

The 2017 Intramural Basketball season started on Friday, February 17. Thirty-nine fifth and sixth graders signed up to play. Five eighth graders are helping as student coaches. Mrs. Mott, Mrs. Starr, Mrs. Morin and Mr. Szwed have volunteered their time to be the teacher coaches. The season will conclude on Friday, March 10. It was such a joy to see Mr. Gulotta ref the game!!

Yesterday we received the news that 7th grade student, Michael Chavka, has qualified to compete in the state level competition of the National Geographic Bee after placing first in the KCS National Geographic Bee. The Connecticut State Bee will be held on Friday, March 31, 2017 at Central Connecticut State College. We wish him all our best in his endeavor to make it to the national championship round in Washington D.C. Congratulations, Michael!

One hundred forty-five K-8 students participated in the *Tenth Annual Recycling Poster Contest*. Bruce Adams, George-Ann Gowan and John Kiminski judged the event. Ellen Diker's class on Artistic Design for grades 4-5 made the judging particularly difficult since so many of the pieces strongly conveyed the recycling message due to the layout of the design. On behalf of KCS, a special thank you to Ane Starr for orchestrating and overseeing this event and to the judges as well as Ellen Diker.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 3	Read Aloud Day
March 8	End Trimester #2
March 15	Grade 4 Arts Day (snow date 3/16)
March 16	Spaghetti Supper and Student/Faculty Basketball Game
March 17	Teacher Workshop Day – no school for students
March 23	Invention Convention – Library – 12:30 pm
March 24	Northern Regional Music Festival Performance at CCSU – 3-8 pm
March 25	Northern Regional Music Festival Performance at CCSU – 9-6 pm
March 29	1 pm Dismissal – Professional Development for teachers