

# Kelley Class News



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## Teacher-to-Parents

Dear Parents,

We are in the month of November, can you believe it! We have worked hard to get to November and there has been so much learning going in at our school and especially in our classroom. Thank you for your support from home! We are in November which is a very choppy month. It is so important that students are at school everyday. It is hard enough to remember what they've learned from week to week even without the on and off days. Hopefully the bus issues will also be resolved so that this doesn't further impact students' ability to come to school. All this to say, I am proud of what the students have achieved in spite of the all the obstacles. Please know that when your child is at school they are like any other first grade class I have taught. They still have the same enthusiasm for learning new things and some things they aren't so thrilled about. They just have to wear a mask and stay with their table group throughout the day. Believe it or not, the masks don't bother them at all. It is really all they know at school and they have adjusted. We mostly deal with the same things we have always worked on—getting along with each other and trying when things are difficult.

Please be sure to read about our direct donation fundraiser. This is a great way to personally impact your child's school life. And from being a previous mom of school age students, it is so nice not to have to ask people to buy things. The fundraiser ends this week.

Have a great week!

Mrs. Kelley, Mrs. King and Miss Golden

## Week-At-A-Glance

### Literacy:

This week we will start Cycle 5. We will be finishing up our focus on each of the short vowel sounds as we tackle the letter e. E and I are tough sounds for students to hear. Please be sure to practice the words and reading the high-frequency words as well for our assessment on Friday.

**Math:** We will begin to learn about numbers larger than 20. We will talk about decade numbers. These are the numbers that are multiples of 10 (10, 20, 30, ...90). We will connect this with place value and show the value of the decade number with ten sticks. This is the foundation for understanding 2 digit numbers.

**Social Studies:** We will be focusing on rules and our class and school community. This comes at a good place in our year and the students get more comfortable with the expectations and with each other.

### Positivity Project/Leadership: Perspective

You appreciate that people see things in different ways. You have the ability to understand the world from multiple points of view.

**Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to be understood.** I listen before I talk.

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### Specials

Nov. 1-5

**Media**

Nov. 8-10

**Music**

**No School  
(Enjoy a day off)**

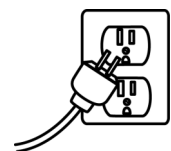
Veterans Day  
Nov. 11

Non-Instructional  
Nov. 12

Thanksgiving  
Break  
Nov. 24-26

Winter Break  
Dec. 20-31

**Please plug in your  
device every night!**



# What's Happening



## Direct Donation Fundraiser

Think Frozen...Do you want to paint a mural? Our direct donation fundraiser is coming to an end. This is a super easy way to help PTA do great things for our school. Last year we became a Lighthouse School through Leader in Me which is a high honor or a Leader In Me school. We want to paint a lighthouse mural to go along with this distinction. We will also use the funds to meet our school's technology needs. This donation is tax deductible and your employer may even do donation matching (be sure to ask). The fundraiser ends on Friday. Any money amount helps. We have even had envelopes with coins in it. It all counts and adds up. Donate today!

## Student Lighthouse Canned Food Drive

Today starts the Student Lighthouse Food Drive. The student lighthouse will be collecting food items for the NC Food Bank. They will collect food from November 3-19th. You can donate items that do not require refrigeration. Also it is helpful if you choose can items that don't require a can opener. You can also send in packaged foods like crackers, pasta, granola bars, juice boxes, and peanut butter. You can also send in non-food items like diapers, wipes, toilet paper, bars of soap, liquid soap, detergent and sponges. Send the items in and we will make sure they get to the donation box. In this time of Thanksgiving, think about all the things your are "Thank"ful for and "give" to others that have great needs than your own. Please have students be a part of gathering and buying these items. It will be something they won't forget. Scan the QR code or go here to see their commercial: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aHjDP3\\_bSdk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aHjDP3_bSdk).



## December Book Exchange

We will be having a fun book exchange on December 17th. We will be playing a "hot potato" like game to exchange the books. We want all the students to participate and here's how:

1. Purchase a book for \$5 or less (be sure that anyone would like it—boys or girls)
2. Write "From: (your child's name)" on the inside cover.
3. Wrap the book and write "From: (your child's name)" on the wrapping paper.
4. Send the book in by Monday, December 13th. This gives us time to make sure every child will have a book.
5. If you are able send in an extra wrapped book, for students that aren't able to purchase a book.



## **Mark Your Calendar**



**Nov 3:** College T-Shirt Day

**Nov 5:** Last day for Direct Donation Fundraiser

**Nov 3-19:** Student Lighthouse NC Food Bank Drive

**Nov 11:** No school, Veteran's Day Holiday

**Nov 12:** Non-Instructional Day, no school

**Nov 18:** Leadership Showcase, 6:00pm

**Nov. 24-26:** Thanksgiving Break

## October Terrific Kids

We are so proud of this month's Terrific kids!

Terrific Insight

**Nathaniel N.**

Terrific L.C.A.D.er

**Alice T.**

Great job all of you!