

CARROLLS ELEMENTARY

SCHOOL

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April

4/1 - 4/5 Spring Break- No School

4/8 Kindergarten Registration begins

4/11 PTO Meeting @ 5:45

4/22 2nd Gr. Swimming begins

4/26 Spring Program 9:30AM & 1:30PM

May

5/7 Kinderpalooza @ Coweeman Middle School
@ 5:00PM-6:30PM

5/9 5th Grade Transition Night-CMS
@6:00PM

5/9 PTO Mtg. @ 5:45

5/17 Walk-A-Thon-watch for info. from PTO

Would you like to be a volunteer?

<https://www.kelso.wednet.edu/page/volunteers>

Message from the Principal

Dear Cougar Families,

As we welcome the arrival of April, I am filled with a sense of gratitude for our wonderful community and the opportunities we have to support one another in our educational journey. Spring is a time of growth, both in nature and within our school community, and I am excited to share some highlights and important updates with you all. At Green Valley Elementary, we are fortunate to have a dedicated team of educators, supportive families, and enthusiastic students who make our school a vibrant and inclusive learning environment. This month, we've had the pleasure of celebrating numerous achievements and milestones among our students, thanks to the unwavering support of our community.

With the arrival of spring, our campus has come alive with the sights and sounds of the season. From colorful flowers blooming in our garden to the laughter of children playing during recess, there is a palpable sense of joy and renewal in the air. I encourage all members of our community to take advantage of the warmer weather and embrace outdoor activities that promote health and well-being.

I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents, guardians, and volunteers who continue to play an integral role in our school community. Whether it's through volunteering in classrooms, participating in school events, or offering words of encouragement, your support is truly invaluable. A huge thanks to our PTO for their unwavering dedication in supporting staff and students at Carrolls through their fundraising efforts that support activities for each one of your children. We raised close to \$6,000 in BINGO this year and nearly \$750 in the coin drive for the library. It is not too late to join the PTO as we have a few more meetings scheduled through the end of the school year.

Drills –

Reminder that we practice safety drills each month to help ensure the preparedness of staff and students in the case of a real emergency. These drills include: earthquake, fire, lock down, shelter in place, secure & teach, and evacuation. You can help your child reflect upon the drill by asking the following questions at home after you have received the memo from the office that we had a drill:

- Why does Dr. Owens have you practice drills every month at Carrolls?
- Can you tell me about the emergency drill you had at school today? What did you learn and what were the steps you were supposed to take?
- How did you feel during the drill? Why? What would help you feel more prepared, if anything?
- What are some things we can do at home to make sure we're prepared for emergencies, just like you practice at school?

4th & 5th Grade Health Curriculum: Carrolls, Rose Valley, Barnes, and Wallace held their 4/5 health curriculum viewing night on October 24th. State Law through the AIDS Omnibus Act (RCW 28A.230.070) requires any parents who wish to excuse their child from HIV/STD instruction must personally preview the materials and complete an opt-out form each school year. The 4/5 classes will go over this material on Friday May 24, 2024. Please contact Dr. Owens if you would like to come into the office to review the material to make an informed decision on whether you would like to opt your child out.

As we enter the final stretch of the school year, I want to remind our students, parents, and staff about the importance of preparing for the upcoming Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) exams for grades 3-5 and iReady assessments for grades K-5. These assessments provide valuable insights into student learning and growth, and help us identify areas where additional support may be needed.

I am confident that with the dedication of our teachers, the support of our families, and the hard work of our students, we will continue to see success in these assessments. Together, we will ensure that every student has the opportunity to reach his or her full potential and achieve academic excellence.

Spring Assessments grades K-5: Every Cougar will take part in the end of year spring assessments for math & ELA with iReady. Testing will begin the week of May 6th and the window closes and **all students need to be assessed** no later than June 7th. While we cannot control unforeseen circumstances, please be mindful of these dates when scheduling a weekend away, doctor's appointments, or other activities.

Grades 3-5 May 6th -10th
Grades K-2 May 20th -31st

Spring SBA Assessments grades 3-5: The Smarter Balanced Assessment for grades 3-5 is fast approaching. We will be engaging in Smarter Balanced (Language Arts & Math) May 20th – May 31st. It is imperative that your student arrive to school, on time, in order to have the entire time allotted to them to test. Testing will occur on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays (05/20, 05/21, 05/23, 05/29, 05/30) and we will use Wednesday & Fridays for make-up/finish days. While we cannot control unforeseen circumstances, please be mindful of this when scheduling a weekend away, doctor's appointments, or other activities. The 5th grade students will have an additional state assessment for science on May 24th.

Wishing you all well,
Dr. Owens

**2nd Grade
Swimming
Lessons
Begin April 22**





Carrolls PTO Meetings

April 11

May 09

@ 5:45

Questions? Message us on Facebook
@ Carrolls Elementary PTO

WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS

If you are planning to help with any of the upcoming events at Carrolls, you must be a cleared volunteer.

Volunteer clearance is good for 2 years from the time of approval. If you need to apply, please do so immediately.

****The clearance process can take several weeks****

Use this link to start the process

<https://www.kelso.wednet.edu/page/volunteers>



Spring Program

April 26

9:30 & 1:30

(same performance)



kinderpalooza

Join us!

May 7th

Coweeman Middle
School

5:00PM-6:30PM

Class of 2037!



EARLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES in Kelso



Where a
high-quality educational
experience awaits every child

READY TO APPLY?



KSD Preschool Pups

**Applications
open**

March 1, 2024

**Screening
dates**

No screening

**Application
links**

bit.ly/pups24-25app



KSD Transition to Kindergarten

March 1, 2024

June 1 - 14, 2024

bit.ly/tk24-25app



Cowlitz Co. Head Start

Apply now

No screening

bit.ly/hs-app-info



Need more?

For information about other
early learning opportunities,
visit Child Care Aware

childcareawarewa.org/families



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Have questions? Email Becky @ becky.kent@kelsosd.org



EARLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES in Kelso

FREE

Preschool Pups & TK (Transition to Kindergarten)

APPLY NOW - SPACE IS LIMITED

- VISIT bit.ly/ksd-early, or
- EMAIL early.learning@kelsosd.org



Kindergarten

REGISTER BEGINNING APRIL 8

- PICK UP A PACKET at your elementary school, or
- VISIT bit.ly/enrollatksd, or
- CALL your school office



kinder
palooza

Tuesday, May 7

5:00 - 6:30 pm @ Coweeman Middle School

- Meet Kelso kinder teachers
- Board & ride a school bus
- Class of 2037 photo booth
- And MORE!
- Too young for kindergarten? Come anyway & learn about:
- Transition to Kinder
- Preschool Pups

Learn more: bit.ly/enrollatksd



KELSO SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Developmental Preschool Screening

Do you reside in the Kelso School District and have a child 3-5 years of age? Do you or your health care provider have a concern that your child may have a developmental delay? If so, call us for an appointment.

- Your child will be screened in hearing, vision, speech/language, social/emotional, life skills, concepts and motor skills.
- Results are confidential.
- Screening services are provided FREE!
- Birth to 3 screenings also available – please let us know if you are interested when you call to set up your screening.
- Appointment required.

Date: April 17, 2024

Location: Kelso School District Office

For screening information and appointment, please call (360) 501-1672

Kelso School District is committed to addressing the unique needs of students with disabilities ages birth through 21 residing within the boundaries of the Kelso School District. This includes children with disabilities enrolled in private, including religious, schools, as well as children who are homeless. Disabilities can be in any one of several areas that ultimately affect a child's learning, such as the ability to think, to express oneself, to see or hear clearly, to get around, or understand instructions given. If you have a child who you think might have a disability requiring special education instruction or significant accommodations at school, or if you know of such a child, please feel free to call the Kelso School District, at (360) 501-1900. If your family is living in a temporary situation, you may contact the district where you are currently staying for a screening.



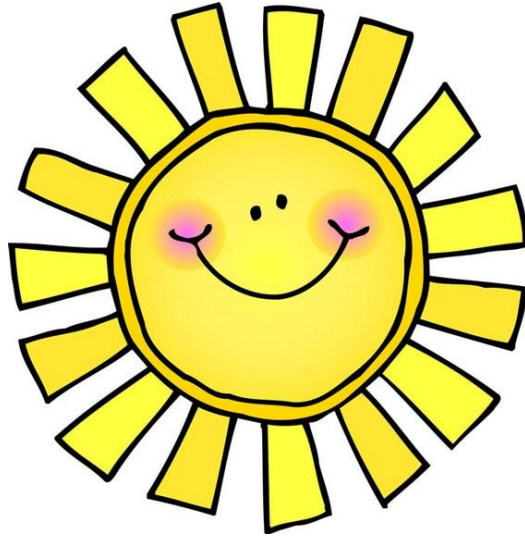
The mission of Kelso Public Schools is to prepare every student for living, learning, and achieving success as a citizen of our changing world.

Are you moving?

If you are planning on moving over the summer, please contact the school office @ 501-1380 to let us know that your child(ren) will no longer be attending Carrolls Elementary. We try our best to keep an accurate count of our student enrollment for classroom planning purposes.

Thank you!





Warmer weather is coming!

Please remember to have your child follow the school dress code- No spaghetti straps, halter tops, mesh clothing, etc.

Shorts/skirts/dresses must be below fingertips when arms are at sides.

Appropriate footwear is still needed to participate in PE.

Sunscreen is allowed, but is not to be shared.





****NOTICE FROM THE HEALTH ROOM****

If your student suffers an injury which requires any type of durable medical equipment (crutches, wheelchair, cast, braces, wraps, etc.) and/or has any restrictions to their activity during school, we must have written instructions from your healthcare provider.

Please request this at the time of the visit and notify the school's Healthcare Specialist/Office.





AM

**Please remember to call the school office by
9:00 AM if your student will be absent
or arriving late**

PM



**If going-home arrangements for your student(s)
change during the day please call the office
before 2:30 PM**

Before 1:00 PM on Wednesday

**This gives the office adequate time to
notify your student of the change-**

Thank you!

What's for Lunch?

April 2024

Carrolls Elementary
Elementary Lunch 23-24

01	02	03	04	05
Spring Break	Spring Break	Spring Break	Spring Break	Spring Break
08 Lunch Entree Goldkist Chicken Tenders <i>With</i> Seasoned Potato Bites Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	09 Pancakes <i>And</i> Breakfast Sausage Patty <i>With</i> Syrup Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	10 Lunch Entree Pepperoni and Cheese Calzone <i>With</i> Roasted Green Beans Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	11 Lunch Entree All Beef Hot Dog <i>With</i> Side of Chili Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	12 Lunch Entree Pizza Ripper Variety <i>And</i> Caesar Side Salad Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments
15 Lunch Entree Mozzarella Pizza Sticks <i>And</i> <i>With</i> Marinara Sauce Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	16 Lunch Entree BBQ Chicken Drumstick <i>With</i> Garlic Cheese Toast <i>And</i> Cut Green Beans Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	17 Lunch Entree Bean Burrito- Homemade <i>With</i> Frito Chips Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	18 Lunch Entree Lasagna Rollup <i>With</i> Kalama Sourdough Roll Zoz WW Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	19 Lunch Entree Homemade Cheese Pizza <i>And</i> Green Salad Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments
22 Lunch Entree Chicken Nuggets <i>And</i> Seasoned Potato Wedges <i>With</i> Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Grains Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	23 Cinnamon Glazed French Toast <i>With</i> Scrambled Eggs <i>And</i> Syrup Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	24 Lunch Entree Chef's Choice Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	25 Lunch Entree Macaroni & Cheese <i>And</i> Soft Breadstick Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	26 Lunch Entree Homemade Cheese Pizza <i>And</i> Green Salad Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments
29 Lunch Entree Beef Teriyaki Dippers <i>With</i> Cooked Quinoa Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments	30 Lunch Entree Chicken Parmesan <i>With</i> Garlic Cheese Toast Vegetables Fruit and Vegetable Variety Milk Milk Choice Misc. Condiments			

VISION STATEMENT:

Carrolls strives to empower all students to gain the knowledge and skills to become lifelong learners. Students will emerge as confident, kind, responsible citizens with positive attitudes for success today and in preparation for the challenges of tomorrow in a global society.

MISSION STATEMENT:

Carrolls staff is committed to:

- Empowering ALL students to realize their potential: socially, emotionally, physically, intellectually, and creatively.
- Providing ALL students with experiences that are: rigorous, rooted in building relational capacity, and relevant to preparing for college/career/military readiness.

Kelso School District #458 complies with all federal rules and regulations and does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code. The following employee(s) has been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Holly Budge, Director of Human Resources, the school district's Title VII Officer and ADA Coordinator. People of disability may request reasonable accommodation in the hiring process by contacting, Holly Budge, Director of Human Resources, 601 Crawford Street, Kelso, WA 98626 or (360) 501-1924.

Inquiries regarding compliance procedures regarding students may be directed to Gunnar Guttormsen, Director of Student Services, the school district's Title IX & Section 504 Coordinator, 601 Crawford Street, Kelso, WA 98626 (360) 501-1900.

KELSO SCHOOL DISTRICT IS A DRUG AND TOBACCO-FREE WORKPLACE



KSD SAFE SCHOOLS EMERGENCY INFORMATION



LOCKDOWN

DEFINITE THREAT OF VIOLENCE OR HARM

- **CLOSE/LOCK** external entrances
- **CLOSE/LOCK** classroom doors - stay out of sight
- **HEAD COUNT** & collect students
- **BARRICADE** / defend / run
- **MONITOR** communications



SECURE & TEACH

POTENTIAL THREAT OF HARM

- **CLOSE/LOCK** classroom doors
- **HEAD COUNT** & collect students
- **CONTINUE TEACHING** as usual
- **MONITOR** communications
- **PREPARE** to upgrade response
- **WAIT** for "all clear"



SHELTER IN PLACE

HAZARDOUS OUTDOOR ATMOSPHERE

- **SHELTER** in a safe area
- **ISOLATE** your environment
- **SHUT OFF** HVAC / air systems
- **HEAD COUNT** & collect students
- **MONITOR** communications
- **PREPARE** to evacuate
- **WAIT** for "all clear"



EVACUATE

FIRE / INTERNAL THREAT

- **EXIT** building to nearest rally point
- If **RALLY POINT** is unsafe, go to a safe area
- **HEAD COUNT** & collect students
- **PREPARE** to reunify

KEY REMINDERS

- **NO PROPPED OPEN DOORS**
- **MAINTAIN ADULT VISIBILITY**
- **SEE or HEAR SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING**

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

911

SUICIDE HOTLINE	1.800.273.8255
COWLITZ CO. CRISIS LINE	360.425.6064
KELSO POLICE	360.423.1270
SHERIFF	360.577.3092
SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINE	1.800.656.4673
CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICE	360.501.2600
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	1.800.799.7233 or text LOVEIS to 22522
POISON CONTROL	1.800.222.1222
DRUG/ALCOHOL HOTLINE	1.800.662.4357