

# ★★News of the Stars

---

Kauri Sue Hamilton School      June 2013

Message From the Principal

## CELEBRATIONS

The newsletter this month is all about celebrations! As we celebrate the coming of summer we also begin planning for all of the celebrations we will enjoy next year. Staff will celebrate this summer when they complete new curriculum units for your students to learn next year...staff who didn't receive iPad training last summer will celebrate when they receive theirs this summer...the office staff is already working on the registration packets you will receive the first of August and will celebrate when that big task is complete...our Incident Command committee will celebrate when we finish reviewing and updating our procedures to keep all of us safe while at Kauri Sue. Please enjoy celebrating the 4<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of July and be ready to celebrate a new school year with us when we all return in August. Thanks for sharing your kids with us each day!

Rita

## Thank You

**ROSE CREEK CROSSING WARD YOUTH GROUP-PREPARED ARTS FESTIVAL PROJECTS FOR OUR STUDENTS.**

**Bluffdale Stake- made poncho's, bibs, blanket and file folder games for our students.**

**Kim Smedley- gathered and donated books and art supplies for our arts festival. She did this as a service project in honor of a teacher and student who were killed in the Newton tragedy.**

Emily Baugh who gathered books for our Library and planned our Teacher appreciation luncheon with Becky Smith.

And to all of the parents who donated money and wrote notes to honor our teachers on Teacher Appreciation day.

# *A Note from the Nurses*

If your child has a G or J tube and/ or receives medications (as well as needed medications, including Diastat, Versed or Epi Pen) while at school, we have sent the physician orders we have on file home for you and the doctor to review, and return for next school year. This will be the only time these preprinted forms will come home and we are putting them in these brightly colored envelopes so they will be easy for you to identify. ☺ It is necessary for us to have the doctor's signature, as indicated on the 'Specialized Treatment', the 'G Tube Feeding' and the 'School Medication Authorization' forms to allow us to care for your child's needs while here at Kauri Sue Hamilton School. (Not all forms apply to all students.) Please make any changes as necessary, and notify the nursing department if there are any changes throughout the school year.

Please submit the forms to your child's doctor (after signing them also!) and have them fax the completed forms to Kauri Sue Hamilton School at (801)-567-8521 attention nurses or sign and return the forms in the mail, or in person. We can fax it to the doctor, however this may cause a delay in treatment as sometimes it takes awhile to get them back. Please remember we must have the signed orders prior to school starting in order to provide the most accurate care to your child, and without them we may not be able to do so. Also remember medications need to be physically brought in and checked in (or put in the drop box if after hours) and the prescription bottle must match the order we have on file.

Please plan to pick up remaining medications for you student **between June 3-5** unless they will be given at ESY. Unfortunately, medications cannot be sent home with the student or with the bus driver. We are not able to keep medications for students over the summer for the next school year as they may expire. Medications left at the school *after* two weeks from the above date will be disposed of per Jordan School District policy with the exception of emergency medications (i.e. Diastat or Versed).

If you have any questions feel free to call the nursing department at (801)-567-8500, or you may email us at [Kshs.nurses-uc@jordandistrict.org](mailto:Kshs.nurses-uc@jordandistrict.org)



# 2013 KSHS Prom

## Escape from Africa



The Riverton High School Peer Leadership Team and The Herriman High Peer Leadership Team teamed up to create this year's prom at The Kauri Sue Hamilton School on May 7<sup>th</sup>. The theme was Escape from Africa to match the theme of our spring musical. The atrium was decorated with trees, lights, lanterns and all sorts of jungle animals. The décor was topped off with some larger than life characters from the movie Madagascar that were donated by someone who had a float in the Days of 47 parade. These characters helped create a fun atmosphere.

In April the Riverton High PLT students did a fundraiser with Chick-fil-A to raise money for treats and decorations for the prom. Thanks to everyone who supported their event. They made about \$700! Their efforts were recognized by the Mountain America's Pay it Forward program and they received another \$500 for next year's prom

The students from the high schools danced the night away with all of our students, whisking them away from their parents as soon as they entered the building. Bigger smiles could not be found anywhere that night. The students each had their photo with their dance partner(s) and Alex the lion.

The students who attended had the time of their lives as did the Riverton and Herriman students- next year will be even better, if you have a secondary aged student, don't miss this opportunity. Mark your calendar now for the second Tuesday in May 2014.

# ESY

If your child has qualified for ESY (Extended School Year) at Kauri Sue Hamilton School, we will be working on maintaining specific skills that otherwise may be lost due to large breaks in programming. ESY will be conducted on the following dates and times.

June 25, 26, 27- 9:15-12:15

July 9,10,11- 8:45-11:45

July 16,17,18- 8:45-11:45

July 30, 31 and August 1- 8:45-11:45

Your child may or may not have the same teachers that they have during the school year so be sure to share with the summer staff G-Tube feedings- times and amounts, medications and any other information that will make it a successful program for your child

If you know your child will **not** be attending ESY and you have not otherwise notified the school, please let us know as soon as possible.

Your child's bus driver will be contacting you for pick up and drop off times. Please note the start time is later for the June dates. If you have any further questions, please contact: Jenni Eyre 801-567-8500.



*Good Bye and Good Luck  
Penny Uriarte and Sue Brack  
Happy Retirement*



*We will miss you both.*

**Good Luck**

To: Glenna Roundy who will be transferring to  
Heartland Elementary.

And

Kaylee Fauvell who is pursuing her graduate degree  
And Lora Grass who is pursuing her degree

# Welcome

Lindsay Gish transferring from WJMS

Jenny Pedler transferring from Heartland Elm.

Mary Potter transferring from Granite District

## SAFETY POSTER WINNERS

Utah's branch of The United Commercial Traveler's is an important part of tradition at Kauri Sue. Each year they bring Santa to visit at Christmas and provide our students with the goodie bags they bring home in December. They then come again in the spring bringing us posters for their annual Safety Poster Contest. Posters are judged locally at Kauri Sue and then winners are sent on to the regional contest. Winners receive cash prizes! Your students do a great job painting fabulous pictures and the staff does a great job putting relevant safety messages that match the pictures your kids have created. We have several winners this year:

### LOCAL AND REGIONAL WINNER GOING ON TO NATIONAL COMPETITION

Gareth Milliner – 1<sup>st</sup> Place School and 1<sup>st</sup> Place Grand in the Regional Competition

Gareth's poster is now being sent to the National Competition this summer where we hope he wins again! Congrats Gareth!

### LOCAL WINNERS

Berenice Prado  
Sam Gray  
Riley Nelson  
Gabe Buntjer  
Grayson Elzey  
Carson Barrett  
Brandon Wade  
Dylan Klingler

### REGIONAL WINNERS

Berenice Prado  
Gabe Buntjer  
Grayson Elzey

## **OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS HONORED**

**BECCA DAY** OUR PHYSICAL THERAPIST WAS HONORED AS THE SPECIAL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR FROM THE JORDAN EDUCATION FOUNDATION. SHE WAS HONORED AT THE ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER. WAY TO GO BECCA

**Kathy Cannon** was awarded Teacher of the Year from the Southwest Valley Chamber of Commerce. Kathy was honored at the Chamber's awards luncheon earlier this month.

We are proud to have these two incredible people at The Kauri Sue Hamilton School.

## **ESCAPE TO AFRICA**

Thanks to the students at Kauri Sue, we were all able to *Escape to Africa* last week during our musical performances. We were fortunate to receive props from a float made last summer and that helped determine the theme for this year - we had characters from Madagascar! The staff and students worked hard to prepare musical numbers that represented their abilities and shared some fun and familiar tunes. You could see the pride on the students' faces as they danced around the stage. Special thanks to the itinerant staff and therapists who learn every routine and assist in every classroom. The Riverton High School Peer Leadership Team created the backdrops for us and decorated the atrium beautifully. Our biggest thanks go out to Maddie Hofer, our music therapist. This has been her first year with us and she has done a fabulous job of reaching your kids through music. Stay tuned for next year's performance - it will probably be at the end of May again.

# GRADUATION TRANSITION EXERCISE 2013

On May 22, we had a wonderful ceremony celebrating our graduates. Our program included remarks from a few of our graduates who used the Apple TV and talking devices to share a poem. We also heard from Jenni Eyre, our teacher specialist, who has worked with some of the graduates for the past 17 years! Graduation day at Kauri Sue is emotional because our kids are with us for so many years and some have been receiving services since they were infants. It is also a day to celebrate all they have accomplished!

Quinn Peck

Christopher Boggess

Josh Roberts

Shanee Jameson

Kimber Boren

Camí Evenson

Richie Felise

Annie Birdsall

Oscar Ramirez

Sammy Jameson

Anu Deo

We also celebrated the memory of one of our graduates, Dallin Pearce, who passed away this spring.

# THE END