

October 1, 2010

Dear Parents,

Over the past few weeks, we have been reviewing our students' performance on the FCAT testing that was completed last year. One area that we feel we must work on this year is reading skills. These are critical skills for success in college. We are encouraging students to make reading a priority. When it comes to reading, MORE is better. Research says that the more time that students spend reading, the better they get at doing it. It makes sense, we practice in the batting cage to become good hitters, we swim laps to perfect our swimming, we play tennis every day and we become experts. Reading is the same kind of skill. If your student spends time reading each day at home along with the reading they do here in school, we should be able to help them become world-class readers before they leave our high school. Success in college is positively related to success in reading.

Many are probably wondering what happened with Conch Football tonight. We had a game scheduled with Champagnat and they cancelled their contract with us when it was too late to schedule another team. I know that everyone is excited about our perfect winning season and anxious for it to continue.

Our School Advisory Council meeting will occur on Tuesday, Oct. 5th at 6:00 PM in the Media Center. Special guest speaker will be our School Resource Officer Robert Bulnes who will brief parents on some of the items he has been discussing with the students. We want our campus to be safe for students, teachers, parents, and visitors and his presence is definitely an asset for safety. Please join us for the meeting.

Our lovely Homecoming Court was selected this week. It is such a privilege to work with the outstanding students at Key West High School. The student body did an excellent job of selecting candidates who truly represent the image we want to convey to the community. Their names are on the reverse of the newsletter, I congratulate each of them for receiving this honor.

Last night, the Children's Movement of Florida ended its campaign through the state here at Key West High School Auditorium. They have had 17 rallies throughout the state. Their message is to increase state funding for Florida's children, particularly our youngest citizens. Our video crew was there taping the event and Gwen Pearson did an interview with former Miami Herald Publisher David Lawrence who is spearheading the movement. Also many thanks go to the Band, under the direction of Gary Hernandez who performed spirited numbesr to start the rally and special thanks to Jim Carter and the Key West High School Chorus for their beautiful performance. The crowd of over 500 people was very impressed with our performing groups. Also, Wolf Blitzer of CNN is showing parts of the rally on his show "The Situation" tonight on CNN. Gwen Pearson's interview may also be used. Tune in if you get a chance.

Have a great weekend.

Yours in education, Terri Axford



Important Dates	
10/5	SAC Meeting 6:00
10/7-	Keys Kids -
10/9	Dear Edwina
10/11	Professional
	Day
10/13	PSAT Test all
	9th and 10th
	grade stu- dents.
10/18-	FCAT Retakes
10/22	11th & 12th
	grade
10/21	Senior Pic-
	tures - Final

If you would like to receive this newsletter via email please send your Name, Email address, and grade level of your child to Leslie.Holmes@keysschools.com 2010-2011 Homecoming Court Tempestt Burgohy Ta' Kori Jackson Atriel Sanchez Attison Steedty Suinevere Winstow

SAC Meeting

SAC meetings are the 1st Tuesday of each month. The next SAC Meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 5th at 6:00 in the Media Center. All parents are invited to attend.

CLUB NEWS

Student Council - Tuesdays 8:15 room 1-132 Class of 2011 - Weekly different days in room 4-116 Class of 2012 - Fridays 8:15 room 1-202 Class of 2013 - Thursdays 8:15 room 4-220 Class of 2014 - Thursdays 8:15 Media Center Z-Club - 2nd/4th Wednesday of each month 3:45 NHS - 2nd/4th Wednesday of each month at 4:15 Interact - Fridays 3:45 room 2-204

**Meeting times and days are subject to change.

Keys Kids Presents...

Dear Edwina Jr., their first production of the 2010 – 2011 season. This musical comedy stars Edwina Spoonapple, the advice-giver to all, with the neighborhood gang joining talents for the famous Kalamazoo Advice-a-Palooza Festival. The show is directed by Cameron Murray, musical direction by Nora Revelin, and choreography by Penny Leto and Carolyn Cooper. Dear Edwina Jr. opens Thursday Oct. 7th at 7:30 and runs Friday at 7:30 and Saturday at 2:00 and 7:30. Tickets are available at Mac Arthur Music, online at www.keystix.com or at the door one hour prior to curtain. For more information Kids visit Keys new website at www.keyskidskeywest.com or call 509-1370.



 \Rightarrow Football - BI-Week.

- \Rightarrow Volleyball Norland will be coming to Key West on 10/4. Match starts at 4:00 (varsity only).
- \Rightarrow Golf 10/5 Traveling to The Biltmore to take on Palmer Trinity and Ransom.
- ⇒ Swimming Swim Team vs. KWHS Staff, 10/1 FKCC pool 4:15. County Championship 10/6 5:00 FCKK Pool.





