

KERR-VANCE ACADEMY

Spartan Newsletter

January 2017

From the Headmaster:

The winter term has been very busy at Kerr Vance Academy. We launched a new school website on February 1. I hope you have had the opportunity to check it out. Michelle Naradzay and Pam Humphries were instrumental in updating our webpage – thank you!

Our winter sports teams have enjoyed successful seasons – congratulations to the MS basketball team, JV Girls, Varsity Girls and Varsity Boys. Last weekend, Kerr Vance hosted the CIC Basketball Tournament and it was a very successful event! Both our Varsity Boys and Girl's basketball teams made the state tournament which starts this week!

On January 30, a Coffee with the Headmaster event was held here at school. This meeting was well attended and I enjoyed the conversations. During that time, I was able to share some thoughts on learning and ideas for moving our school forward. If you were unable to be here that night, I have shared the Power Point presentation on the school webpage under "News". Please call me if you have any questions or ideas to share. As I walk the halls and visit classrooms, I continue to be impressed with the level of learning and the atmosphere of our school. Some of the things that stand out in my observations - Our students get individual attention and support from their teachers. Our teachers are using a variety of methods in classroom instruction, including hands on, group work, practice, direct teaching, among others. Students are engaged in their learning. Kerr Vance Academy is dedicated to preparing students for success in college and beyond. There is much to celebrate at KVA!
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Bake sale on Senior Night



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Varsity Cheerleaders with Little Spartanettes





Jabe Montgomery signs with Barton!



Stephen and Melissa Pelfrey working the concession stand.



Spartan Sports

Congratulations to all of our winter sports teams for a very successful season! A shout out to our varsity boys and girls basketball teams for their accomplishments in the State Tournament.

KVA has now started spring sports – including varsity girls soccer, varsity boys lacrosse, JV and varsity baseball, and men's golf. Our opening games at KVA will begin the first week of March. Please refer to the school's website for updates and changes to the schedules.

Participation in athletics at Kerr-Vance is open to every student but conditioned upon meeting the academic standards set by the administration and stated in the KVA Student handbook. If a student wishes to participate on a team, there is a place for her/him. No cuts are made for any teams in keeping with the school's philosophy of advocacy for interscholastic athletic participation. Our no-cut policy encourages all students to confidently pursue participation on our teams. While all teams at KVA are expected to play hard in the spirit of competition, there is a different emphasis at each level of play.

Athletes, coaches, parents, and spectators at Kerr-Vance Academy are expected to be exemplary in their display of sportsmanship before, during, and after all sporting events. We encourage healthy competition, which includes respecting officials, coaches, players, and spectators. Inappropriate behavior such as, but not limited to, physical and/or verbal abuse aimed at an opponent, official, coach, or teammate will not be tolerated. Taunting and/or inappropriate language directed toward an opponent, official or teammate is not "part of the game", and is inconsistent with the mission of KVA Athletics. Violators of this policy will be asked to leave the event.

Thank you for your continued support of KVA Athletics. See you on the fields!

KVA Winter Sport Seniors



Jared Hicks



Austin Mattingly



Jacob Goswick



Banks Conde



Kennedy Adcock



Jabe Montgomery

KVA Winter Sport Seniors



Emma Pelfrey



Tommy Alicardi



Ronnie Brodie



Drew Griggs

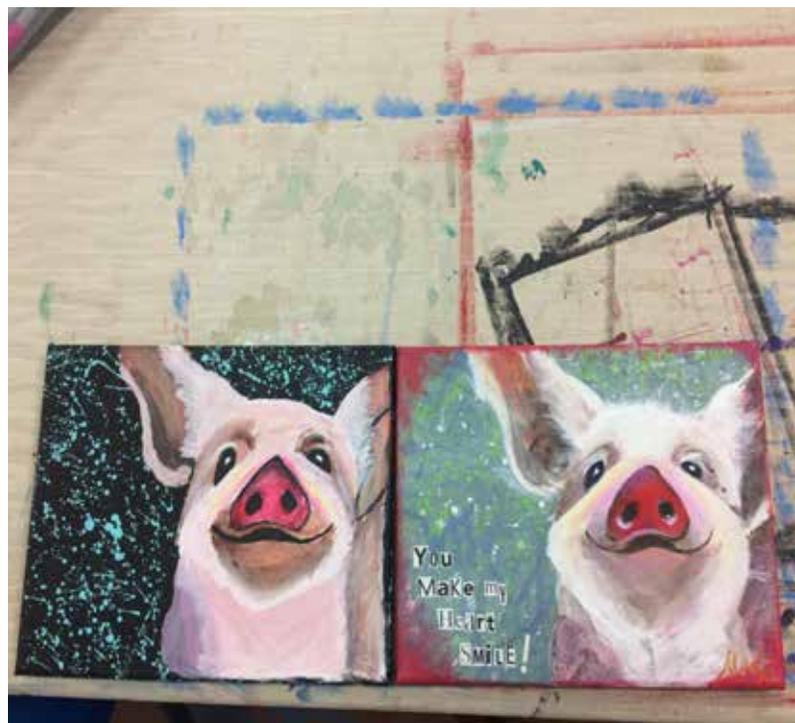
Senior not pictured: AJ Holloway



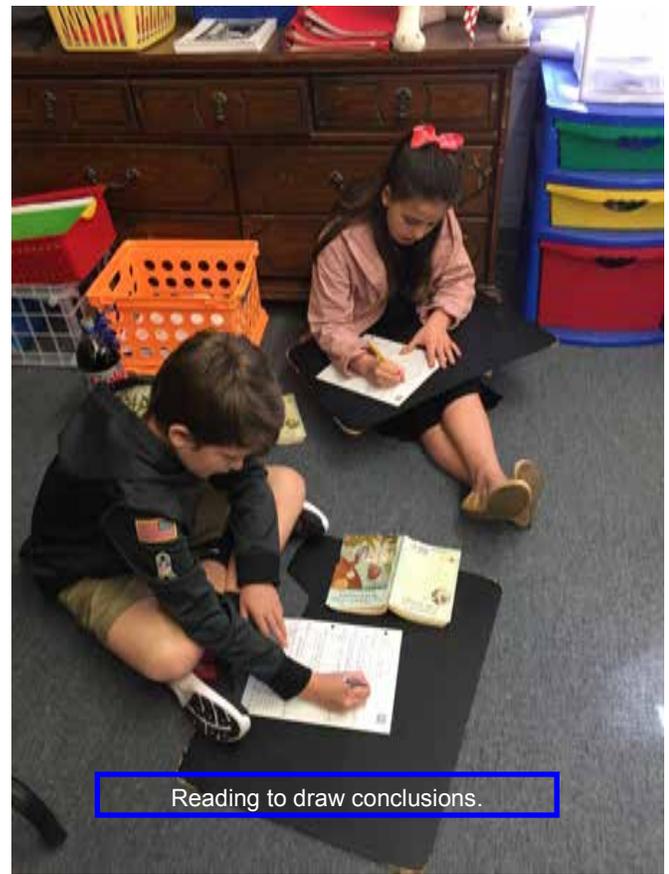
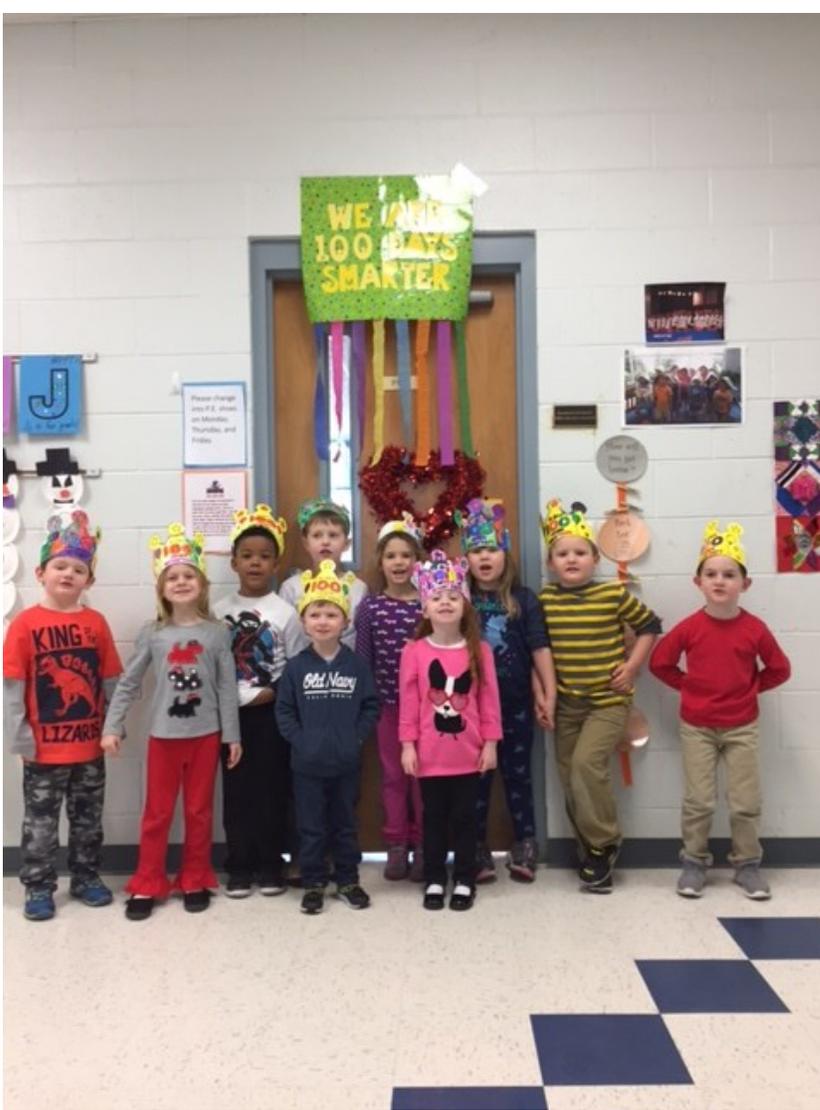
Senior Night for Winter Sports 2016-17

Art at KVA

Art class has been nothing but fun this semester! The Lower School students have been working on art projects for the KVA LS Art Department fundraiser (look for this to go home the first week of March). As you can see from these pictures, the 8th graders have paper mached and painted masks. They will be on displayed the 2nd week of March, along with some 1-point perspective drawings & Portraits of animals on canvas in the Middle school hallways (pictured is mine and a student's pig). The high school students are working on designing motifs, painting on large canvases (in the HS hallway), and just experimenting with different mediums. Pictured is Bonnie Evans with a melted crayon on canvas Valentine. – Marcia Hartness



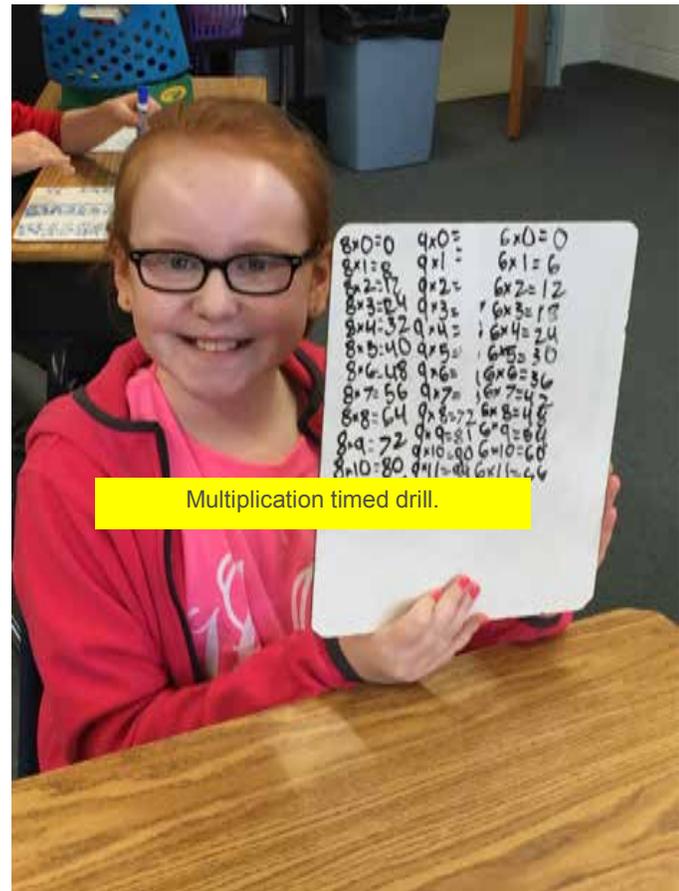




Reading to draw conclusions.



Research for background knowledge.



Multiplication timed drill.



High School Art Projects



Kaylee Green Art Project

2017-18 Tuition: Board approved no tuition increase for current students!

An Enrollment Committee has been formed this year. It is comprised of parents with children in the lower school, middle school and high school. The mission of the committee is increase the enrollment at KVA. The Enrollment Committee proposed and the Board approved no tuition increases for current students for the 2017-18 school year.

The committee also devised a plan that may offer lower tuition in the future. The ultimate goal of the tuition/enrollment plan the board has approved is to lower tuition for everyone, however we must keep our revenue intact in order to fund the budget based on a varying number of possibilities for enrollment next school year.

Filling up lower school classrooms by offering a first time ever special tuition for new students.

The goal of the plan that has been approved is to fill up the lower school classrooms by adding students to classrooms that have open spaces. The plan calls for 16 students in each class K4—4th grade and 18 students in the 5th and 6th grade. By adding students strategically, there will be no additional cost and would not affect the budget.

The plan that was approved for new students is as follows: Tuition will be offered to new students at the rate of \$5800/year for K4-6th grade, plus \$400 enrollment fee and \$200 facility fee for each student. It is important to point out that this \$5800 tuition is lower than any other accredited private school in our area. There are limited spots available: 1st and 2nd grade - (6), 3rd grade—(11), 4th grade—(9), 5th grade—(3) and 6th grade - (1). For 2017-18 tuition will remain at the current rate for 7th –12th grade students. Our hope is that this will be the first step of a 3 year plan and we will be able to offer a similar model the 7th & 8th grade next year and 9th—12th the following year.

When the classrooms in K4—6th grade fill up, our current families will be eligible for a rebated tuition starting in September. The contract that is due in February has the same tuition rate for the grade that it pertains to as it did last year. When we reach a needed revenue total for K4—6th grade, the board will work to rebate the remaining tuition for existing families. If we add just over 35 new students in classes 1—6th every student in those classes will pay \$5800.

We are going to be advertising these limited tuition opportunities., but we are asking for your help to spread the word about the great things that are happening at KVA. This plan needs the support and enthusiasm of you, our current parents. [Please pass along the names of any one you may know that may be interested in this plan to Mr. Wiggins.](#)

KVA Board of Directors:

Dear KVA Families:

I hope that everyone enjoys a great Winter Break. Our campus has been busy with lots of activity this month. Winter sports teams have finished their seasons and performed well. Our spring sports season will be starting soon and practices will be beginning in preparation for the season. We hosted another "Coffee with the Headmaster" event, this time in the evening. Mr. Wiggins presented a power point presentation and talked with parents about our school. We look forward to hosting more of these events. We also hosted our first Family Fun Night that included a Quarter Auction and movie for the children. This was a great event and enjoyed by all that attended. Please make plans to attend our next Family Fun BINGO Night on Friday, February 24th. Children may play BINGO or watch a movie.

Also, please save the date and plan to participate in our two new fundraisers coming up in March. We will first host a "Casino Night" at the Henderson Country Club on Saturday, March 4th. This will be a fun evening with a chance to win a trip to Las Vegas or \$2,500. Tickets are available in the school office. Also, we will host a Sporting Clay event at Rose Hill Plantation in Nashville on Wednesday, March 4th. Lunch and an afternoon of shooting sporting clays are included with this event.

Thank you to everyone that has turned in contracts for the next school year and to everyone that has made a contribution to our Annual Fund. Your support is greatly appreciated. Our Annual Fund goal is 100% participation, so please consider a donation in any amount. If you have not returned your contract, please turn it in to our Business Office as soon as possible. Also, please remember to help recruit students by forwarding Mr. Wiggins information on any potential families that may be interested in taking advantage of our new enrollment plan.

Thank you for all that you do to make KVA such a special place. We are fortunate to have such a wonderful school. We appreciate your support and commitment.

Amy Williams
President, KVA Board of Trustees

KVA Family Fun Night



We enjoyed a great time with a pot luck dinner and Bingo Friday, Feb. 24. Keep a look-out for information about our next Family Fun Night in March!



Upcoming Events



1st Annual Spartan Sporting Clays Classic

When: Wednesday, March 15

Where: Rose Hill Plantation (Nashville, NC)

Schedule of events:

Registration: 11:30 AM

Lunch: 12:00 PM

Orientation and Rules Meeting: 1 PM

Shooting: 1:15PM

Awards: 4 PM

Note: Event will begin at 11:30 and continue through the afternoon. Shooting teams will be in groups of 4. Individual shooter registrations will be teamed within a 4-person group.

Items to bring: Shotgun(s)

Items provided: safety glasses, hearing protection, ammunition

Cost:\$125 per shooter

- **Unique 16 station course**
 - **Men/Women/Jr**
 - **Tournament Prizes**



Upcoming Events

KVA Casino Night



March 4th, 6pm, HCC

FEELING LUCKY?!?!

WIN A TRIP TO LAS VEGAS OR \$2500

Kerr Vance Academy is excited to present an evening of casino fun. This evening will generate funds to be used for development at KVA and will be a wonderful evening to celebrate our school. The students in all grades will benefit from the proceeds raised at this event. One lucky grand prize winner will win a trip for two to Las Vegas* or \$2500; other "jackpot" prizes such as local get-a-ways and a home security system will be awarded to raffle ticket holders. The evening will include various casino tables and "play" money with which to try your luck, heavy hors d'oeuvres and a wine tasting by OneHope. After attendees enjoy winning at the tables, they can trade their "earnings" in for more chances at the trip and subsequent prizes. Prizes will be drawn for at the end of the evening, you do not have to be present to win. Attendance tickets are \$125 per couple (food for two, casino "money" and one chance at the prizes), a non-attendance (chance only) ticket is \$50. This raffle and the event are open to anyone, invite your friends and family! Dress for the event is cocktail attire.

*Trip to be arranged after raffle, not to exceed a cost of \$2500, will include 3 nights accommodations at a premier resort on the "strip," and airfare. Travel must occur in 2017.

Tickets can be purchased in the lower school office. A ticket form has been sent out on an alert now message.

Kerr-Vance Academy Day Care



Kerr-Vance Academy is proud to offer licensed daycare programs for 2 and 3 year old, children. The daycare is located in the primary center building on our campus. Lead teachers, along with their assistants, help your child in his/her development of social skills through age appropriate play as well as instruction.

A typical day for your child will include:

- Two snacks
- A well balanced lunch
- Nap time
- A visit to a special class such as computer lab, music, the library, or Spanish.
- Playtime with age appropriate toys in the classroom and on the fenced in playground accessible from their classroom.
- Lessons in colors, shapes, calendar principles, letters and numbers.

The daycare is open from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm and is available year round.

If you or anyone you know is in need of an outstanding, safe, nurturing and educational day care please tell them about KVA. Anyone interested in more information about the Day Care should call the KVA office at 252-492-0018 or email admissions@kerrvance.com.

