



COLT CONNECTION

Kelly Mill Elementary Information Express | Established 2012

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PRINCIPALS CORNER

Let it snow! Well, it was pretty while it lasted. It always warms my heart to “see” things through a child’s lens. Just listening to their questions, comments, what they notice, etc., reminds us of all that there is a whole world of wonder.



Part of the process for helping students become problem solvers and thinkers is to encourage them to have conversations that start with “I wonder...” “I wonder what kids could do if we (adults) listened to what they wonder about. Within this starter sentence stem, we can imagine what is possible.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your principal. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help.

Sincerely,
Ron

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CAFÉ' MENUS BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Click [here](#) to view the menu options for January.



IMPRESSIONS ART CONTEST

Using the theme “My Happiest Memory” create a piece of artwork through writing, dance, photography, or other visual artwork mediums.

Monday, January 31, 2022, through Friday, February 4, 2022
Deadline for entries: February 4th, 2022

Drop-off entries January 31st through February 4th to the Impressions box near the front office. Visual Art and Photography entries need to be wrapped in clear plastic to ensure its protection.

All submissions are due by Friday, February 3rd. Fill out one [Student entry form](#) per artwork entry. Let your creativity shine while creating artwork from your happiest memories!

SAVE THE DATE

KME Spirit Night Out
at Outback Steakhouse

Wednesday,
January 19, 2022



KELLY MILL ELEMENTARY PRESENTS

THE CREATIVITY PROJECT

January's Theme: FCS Virtual Tech Fair

Registration Deadline is Jan. 14th
Project Submission Deadline is Jan. 21st

KME ENCOURAGES ALL STUDENTS TO VISIT
[HTTPS://WWW.FORSYTH.K12.GA.US/TECHFAIR](https://www.forsyth.k12.ga.us/techfair)
TO REGISTER AND SUBMIT YOUR PROJECT



SPRING MUSICAL AUDITIONS

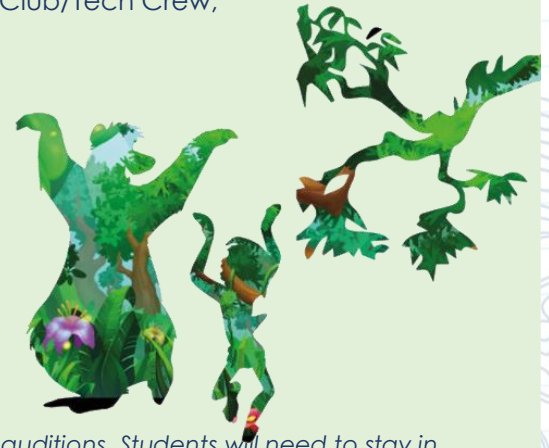
Kelly Mill Drama Club is proud to announce our spring production, **Disney's Jungle Book KIDS!** Adapted from Disney's beloved animated film and the works of Rudyard Kipling, the "man-cub" Mowgli bounds through the jungle and learns what it means to be human. We want you to be a part of telling this wonderful story!

STEPS TO AUDITION FOR DISNEY'S THE JUNGLE BOOK KIDS!:

1. Follow the QR code below to fill out The Jungle Book KIDS! Audition Form via Microsoft Forms by Monday, January 24th
2. Visit Mrs. Tithof's *ItsLearning* page to access The Jungle Book KIDS! Audition resource folder. There you will find the song and dance combination to learn for your audition.
3. After reading through the KME Drama Club Information and Expectations document, also located in The Jungle Book KIDS! Audition resource folder, fill out the Parent Permission Slip at the bottom of this flyer and return it to Mrs. Tithof by Monday, January 24th. This must be completed and returned to stay after school to audition.
4. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Tithof at atithof@forsyth.k12.ga.us
**Please note: If you have signed up to participate in Art Club/Tech Crew, you may NOT audition.

DAY OF AUDITIONS

- When: Fourth Grade – Tuesday, January 25
Fifth Grade – Thursday, January 27
- Time: 2:30 - 4:00PM
- Where: Cafe and Music Room
- Wear: Comfortable clothes and shoes for movement
- Bring: Parent permission slip and water bottle



**Students will report to the cafe when they hear the announcement for auditions. Students will need to stay in their classroom until they are called.*

Disney
The
Jungle
Book
KIDS

[Complete the Audition Form Link here.](#)





KME Artists...

We are excited to share the dates for the 2021-2022 KME Art Club. This year, groups will be split into three different sessions: 4th & 5th grades, 2nd & 3rd grades, and Kindergarten & 1st grades. The calendar will look like this:

4th & 5th Grades

Art club will meet on Tuesdays January 18, 25, Feb. 1, 8, 15, and March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29th.

Please note, 4th and 5th students will need to pick either the play or Art Club. Students participating in Art Club will be working on the sets and scenery for the 4th and 5th grade play and therefore be the Tech Crew for the play.

2nd & 3rd Grades

Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, and Nov. 1, 8, 15, and 16 (Tuesday) November 29 and December 6. All 2nd/3rd grade classes are on Monday except for November 16 which is a Tuesday.

Kindergarten & 1st Grades

March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 11, 18, 25, and May 2, 9, and 16.

All classes will work on group projects, along with some individual projects to take home at the end of the session.

Important Info:

- All sessions include a \$70 art materials fee.
- Classes will be from 2:45-3:45PM in the art room.
- Unless there is an emergency or an excused absence, students are expected to attend all classes, so they have time to complete their projects.
- Kindergarten/1st grade club and 2nd/3rd grade club will meet on Mondays, while 4th/5th grade club will meet on Tuesdays. A link to the KME Art club registration will be included in Colt Connection, Thursday folders, and the teacher's weekly newsletter. Art Club is open to all the students in the grade level; however, spots are limited and are on a first come, first serve basis.
- Link will be on the grade level flyer and [Facebook](#) before 3:00PM on September 30.
- Registration for 2nd/3rd grades opens Thursday, September 30 at 3:00PM. Please see 2nd/3rd grade flyer for the QR code and payment information.

Registration for 4th/5th graders ONLY will be on January 12th at 3:00PM.



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100 CANNED FOOD DRIVE CHALLENGE

In celebration of the 100th day of school, the Kindergarten classes are sponsoring a canned food drive at KME. Each grade level is challenged to donate 100 or more canned food items by Tuesday, January 25th (the 100th day of school). The Kindergarten classes will count the collected items after the deadline and announce the final results.

What to do: Bring in canned food items

When: January 18th-January 25th

Where: Drop in the boxes on grade level hallways

Why: To support our community food pantries and for grade level bragging rights!



WE ARE DIFFERENCE MAKERS!

#KMESERVE

FOCUSED LEADERSHIP

FORSYTH COUNTY SCHOOLS

TECHNOLOGY COMPETITION

A Technology Fair for Grades 3-5



**REGISTRATION IS OPEN UNTIL JANUARY 14TH.
PROJECT SUBMISSION WINDOW JAN. 15-21**

Visit forsyth.k12.ga.us/Page50113 for details



VIRTUAL LEARNING IN 2022-2023

Beginning in the 2022-2023 school year, all Kindergarten - 12th grade students seeking full-time virtual education in Forsyth County Schools will be served through the **Forsyth Virtual Academy (FVA)**. The decision to participate in virtual instruction for the 2022-2023 school year is a one-year long commitment.

- The **elementary virtual program** will continue in a similar manner as it has the last two years with synchronous instruction. The teachers will be part of the FVA staff and will be housed in the ACE building. Students participating in this program will be full-time virtual students.
- The **middle school virtual program** will provide core content classes in Mathematics, English Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies along with several elective or connections classes. It is recommended that students be full-time participants and instruction is asynchronous.
- The **high school virtual program** offers a robust selection of classes, including the core academic courses, many AP courses, and electives. Instruction will be asynchronous.



To be eligible for participation in full-time virtual instruction during the 2022/2023 school year, parents/guardians must complete the virtual enrollment survey by [clicking here](#).

The deadline for completing this survey and full-time enrollment in virtual instruction is February 7, 2022.

CARPOOL ETIQUETTE AT KME

We have experienced an increasing number of parents and students getting out of their cars at various points in the morning car rider line and crossing through traffic. There is typically an increase toward the end of the time frame, which suggests parents are concerned about being tardy. This growing number of people on foot creates an unsafe environment and even longer delays in the car line.

We would like to remind our Colts to stay in their cars until they arrive at the front of the school to exit their vehicles. For safety reasons, we ask that you refrain from parking and walking your student up to school whenever possible (ex: carrying large items). We thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

– Your Kelly Mill Administration Team



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