



COLT CONNECTION

Kelly Mill Elementary Information Express | Established 2012

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PRINCIPALS CORNER

We are excited to share our website with our parent/guardian community regarding our efforts to pursue STEM certification through Cognia.



It's the result of the work of a lot of people throughout Kelly Mill Elementary School's history, and we appreciate all who have helped make this possible.

This link will take you to a preview of our STEM website, and we look forward to our STEM visit on April 12th.

<https://sites.google.com/forsythk12.org/kmestem/home>

Sincerely,
Ron

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CAFÉ' MENUS BREAKFAST & LUNCH

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



DATES TO REMEMBER

Spring Picture Day
Thursday, March 24, 2022

Spring Break
April 4 – 8, 2022



Creativity Project

March's theme is

Beauty

Our world is full of beautiful things. Take a moment to describe what you find beautiful. Display your creativity through artwork, music, poetry, writing, or video (60 seconds or less). Submit your work by March 31st and we will display it on our Creativity Project webpage.



Submission Steps:
Sign in to Classlink

Open the Microsoft 365 app (verify you are signed in as a student)

Scan the QR code to submit your entry

*One entry per student.





**SUNDAY,
MARCH 20th**

For those who purchased tickets,
the tickets will come home with
your Colt on Friday, March 18.

SPRING PICTURE DAY

THURSDAY
March 24, 2022

Pictures will be for both individual and class photos.

Please note: There will be no retake date scheduled for Spring pictures. Only Fall pictures have a retake date for the yearbook.

Two picture order forms were sent home in Thursday folders, March 17th (class photo AND individual photo). Students will turn in order forms directly to the photographer on picture day or parents may order online prior to picture day.



TEACHER / STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

March 28 – April 1, 2022

At Kelly Mill Elementary we are lucky to have such great teachers and staff! We'd like to invite all students and parents to show extra gratitude to our teachers and staff during that week.

Below are our daily themes for the week. If you'd like to participate, bring items in each day that go with the theme. These items do not need to be expensive, and you can pick and choose the days you join in.*



Monday - Bring a school or playground supply item and wear your teacher's favorite color

Tuesday – Bring a thoughtful note or draw a picture

Wednesday – Bring their favorite treat

Thursday – Flower Day

Friday – Class to provide lunch

*Visit the [KME PTO website](#) and click 'Teachers & Staff Info' for teacher's Favorites lists.

TEACHER/STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCH

Every year during Teacher Appreciation Week, the KME parents along with the PTO host a lunch for the teachers and staff to enjoy and share. This tradition is an absolute favorite among everyone! This is such a great way for the parents to thank the teachers and staff at Kelly Mill Elementary for all their hard work and dedication to our children.

The lunch will be held on Monday, March 28th from 10AM to 1PM.

Please check out the Lunch of Love Sign-Up Genius for Teacher Appreciation Week. We would love to have your support!

<https://rb.gy/pijktm>



MORNING MILE IS BACK!



The Morning Mile is returning to Kelly Mill. This is an amazing walk/running program where students will come out to the track 7:10 - 7:40AM on their designated morning starting Monday March 14th!

Students will first go to their classroom to check in with their homeroom teachers and leave any items, backpacks, water bottles. Students may then come to the track or the gym, depending on the weather, and run laps. At 7:30AM students who need breakfast will be dismissed. By 7:35AM we will begin cleaning up and recording laps with the goal of having all students on their way back to the classroom by 7:40AM.

For every five miles that a student completes they will receive a foot charm and necklace. (This program had been continuing as part of PE classes until now). All charms will be handed out when students come to PE.

Grade level running days are listed below. If parents are interested in helping to pass out straws and record laps, please use the links below to sign up for a day to volunteer. If you have any question please email Coach Warner. dwarner@forsyth.k12.ga.us

Mondays: K-1
Tuesdays: 2
Wednesdays: 3
Thursdays: 4
Friday: 5

March:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040a4aa5a72fa57-morning>

April (no spring break dates):

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4AA5A72FA57-april>

FIELD DAY SHIRTS

Field Day will be held on: **May 19 for Grades K, 1, 2 and May 20 for Grades 3, 4, 5**

Shirt orders and payments will be submitted **ONLINE** this year. [Click HERE](#) to submit a shirt order and payment. All orders/payments need to be submitted online by **FRIDAY, March 25th**. The cost is **\$10** for each shirt ordered.

More information about Field Day will be sent out closer to the event. If you have any t-shirt questions, please contact Coach Warner at dwarner@forsyth.k12.ga.us

Shirt colors for grade levels are listed below. You can preview these colors online by searching 'Gildan Youth 5000B'.

- **Kindergarten** - Daisy Yellow
- **1st Grade** - Safety Orange
- **2nd Grade** - Irish Green
- **3rd Grade** - Red
- **4th Grade** - Sapphire
- **5th Grade** - Violet

ORDERS DUE: Friday, March 25th

No extra shirts will be ordered, so please make sure you have completed your online shirt order form and submit payment online by Friday March 25th.



DUCK DIVE FUNDRAISER

Since 2016, the Forsyth County Education Foundation has provided \$355,000 in grants for students and teachers. But, even with this success, we have not been able to meet all the needs in our schools. This is why we need everyone's help to make a big splash for education again with our annual fundraiser, the DUCK DIVE FOR EDUCATION!

For only \$10, you could win \$10,000 and support grants for schools!

The 2022 Duck Dive for Education has begun and will end with the Duck Dive drawing on April 1, 2022 at 1:00PM at the Cumming Aquatic Center. Students, parents and the community are invited to adopt a duck by paying \$10 to enter the raffle. Each duck adoption gives you the chance to win \$10,000 and supports grants in our schools.

Click here for the rules and regulations.

A Duck Dive is a raffle. When you adopt a duck for only \$10, you will be assigned a duck number. Please see the list with links below to adopt a duck (or 2 or 3 or more!). The list of duck numbers will be available here on March 25, 2022 so you know your assigned duck number before the raffle drawing. All numbered ducks will be thrown into a "pond". At the drawing, one lucky duck will be drawn and the winner will win \$10,000!

Click here to watch the drawing from 2021.

The deadline to adopt ducks is March 25th! Only 20,000 ducks available so get yours today! Sponsorships are available as well, and **click here for more details** about how to sponsor this event. Sponsorship is a great way to give back to our schools and share your business name to all students, parents, and the community. Thank you to our 2022 **Duck Dive Sponsors** listed below! Please contact **Hannah Samples** hsamples@forsyth.k12.ga.us for more information. All money raised from the Duck Dive will go toward grants in our schools in fall 2022. Over \$115,000 was raised in 2021 and went directly back into our schools for **grants in August 2021**.



MARCH MADNESS

In celebration of March madness, we will be selling basketball squishies for \$1 each the week of March 14-18.

Sales will be in main hallway by media center from 7:10-8:00 each morning. All proceeds will be donated to March of Dimes.

Please contact **Mrs. Goldsberry** at Mgoldsberry@forsyth.k12.ga.us if you have questions.



Interested in the Dance Team for 22-23?

Scan here Hendricks MS



Calling all rising 5th graders interested in being a part of the dance team at Hendricks Middle School! Next year we will have our first ever dance team!

The dance team will perform at basketball games and pep rallies and practice twice a week! If you would like more information about the dance team - please scan the QR code on the attached flyer!

If you have any questions please contact Coach Lemons at slemons@forsyth.k12.ga.us or follow **hendricks.dance** on Instagram!

CARPOOL ETIQUETTE AT KME

Colt Families,

We will no longer allow parking during morning car line. With safety remaining our focus for all Colts, we have noticed families crossing traffic throughout the parking lot. All parents and students will be asked to remain in their vehicle until they have completed the car line.

We have staff members strategically placed throughout car line to help students with heavy items when needed. We recognize extenuating circumstances may happen from time to time. When this occurs, please use the visitor parking in the first row and escort your child and items to the front office. Our Colt's safety is our number one priority.

Thank you for helping keep our Colts safe.



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