

# Kent School Bulletin

## DECEMBER 2007

- 3 **Mon.** K & 1 to Chesapeake College to see  
"Sleigh Ride Around the World"  
1:00pm Nutrition presentation to 3rd grade by  
Kathi Naumann  
3:30pm Boys' practice
- 4 **Tues.**  
3:30pm Girls' practice
- 5 **Wed.**  
8:45am Parent Coffee with Mr. Schuler  
3:30pm Boys' practice
- 6 **Thurs.**  
8:45am P T F meeting  
3:30pm Girls' practice  
5:00pm Board of Trustees meeting
- 7 **Fri.**  
8:00am French Club breakfast  
1:45pm Middle School assembly - Modern  
Woodmen Essay Contest winners  
2:30pm Girls' practice
- 8 **Sat.** SSAT for 7th & 8th grade students
- 10 **Mon.** 7th grade to Moroccan Restaurant  
3:30pm Boys' practice
- 11 **Tues.**  
5:30pm Boys' A away vs. KCPR
- 12 **Wed.**  
9:00am Little School to Amy Lynn Ferris Ctr.
- 13 **Thurs.**  
8:45am MS Assembly - Artist, Greg Mort  
4:00pm Girls' A away vs. SSPP  
5:00pm Boys' A away vs. SSPP
- 14 **Fri.**  
8-9am Parent Student French Class  
1:00pm Holiday clubs (K-8)  
6:00pm Christmas caroling in Chestertown
- 17 **Thurs.**  
3:30pm Chorus Christmas party
- 19 **Wed.**  
10:30am **Holiday Program**  
12:00pm **Dismissal**
- 20-Jan. 1 **Winter Break**

### Holiday Program December 17, 2007 ~ 10:30am

For this special day, boys are asked to wear coats and ties, and girls dresses. Dismissal will be at 12:00pm. If your child is not riding the bus, please send a note to school.

Everyone is invited to attend!

### News from the Admission Office

If you have a child who will be age eligible for Little School next year, please submit your application as soon as possible. Visits for Little School applicants begin in January. Please feel free to contact Beth Collins for admission information.

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### Last Chance Reminder

To be included in the decisions made by the Financial Aid committee in January, Financial Aid forms are due to SSS by January 1, 2008.

You may apply online: [ww.nais.org/financialaid/sss](http://ww.nais.org/financialaid/sss) or pick up an application from the admission office.

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### Kent School Gift Card Program

Shopping for groceries, gifts, and other goodies is a way of life. Kent School PTF has found a way to profit from the shopping that we all do on a regular basis. We are working with a company that sells gifts cards to us at a discounted rate. In turn, we sell these cards at face value and are able to use the profit for PTF sponsored events.

There are literally hundreds of gift cards available for purchase. The fliers that you have received list only a portion of what is available. We are happy to accommodate special requests whenever possible.

A limited selection of gift cards are available for purchase in the Spirit Store.

**School resumes on Wednesday, January 2, 2008.**

For more information, please feel free to contact Miranda Duston at 410-778-2715 or Jill Caron at 410-778-5881.

## From the Head's Office

- Please make every effort to arrive at school by 8:30 in the morning. Prompt arrival helps students be organized and prepared for a good day!
- Please park in designated areas only. Do not leave your vehicle parked and unattended in front of the school while walking your child inside. This creates congestion and is a safety hazard.
- We will continue to research and monitor information related to Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) to ensure that Kent School is proactive and safe. We have communicated with our cleaning service to ensure that all "touch" areas are thoroughly cleaned every day. Our faculty and staff will continue to encourage good hygiene. Your support is greatly appreciated.
- We are lucky to have dedicated parents! Thank you to Miranda Duston for her help on Grandparents' Day, Jill Caron for her help with the Alumni gathering at Andy's and the Turkey Bowl on Thanksgiving Day and Maryann Ruehrmund for her help in planning several events.
- Mark your calendar! Thanks to Renee Bench, PTF President, I will be hosting "Coffee with Mr. Schuler" for our parents on December 5 from 8:45am-10:00am. Hope to see you there!

## Looking Ahead to January 2008...

Jan. 3	PTF mtg, 8:45am Boys practice, 3:30pm
Jan. 4	Girls practice, 2:30pm
Jan. 7	Boys practice, 3:30pm

## Middle School News

### **Artist Greg Mort to Visit with Middle School Students**

Internationally known and locally recognized artist Greg Mort will visit the Middle School for a special presentation Thursday morning, December 13, at 8:45. Using a PowerPoint presentation, Greg will share how he incorporates his study of astronomy, his love of natural science and his concern for the environment into his landscapes and still lifes. Greg is represented locally by the Carla Massoni Gallery. His book **VOYAGES**, which celebrates his three decades of painting with 150 images and brief essays by the artist, was published earlier this year by Sea Glass Publishing, owned and operated by Kent School parents Nancy and Richard LaMotte.

Greg will be available before and after his talk to sign copies of *VOYAGES*. Sea Glass Publishing will donate 10 percent of the \$39.95 purchase price of each book to the Science Departments at Kent School.

Greg's paintings have been collected and exhibited by major museums such as the Corcoran Gallery, the Smithsonian American Art Museum, the Brandywine River Museum, and the Farnsworth Museum. NASA has commissioned him to create artwork that documents the space agency's history, most recently the August shuttle mission of "Teacher in Space" Barbara Morgan.

### **Reminders for Eighth Grade Students:**

- Secondary School recommendation forms should have been turned in by now!!
- SSAT test is December 8.
- If you have not started working on applications, please do so! Make a xerox copy to fill out for practice first.
- All recommendation forms and transcripts will be mailed to schools before the holiday break.

### **SSAT Preparation for Seventh and Eighth Grade Students**

Prior to the SSAT test date of December 9, students in the seventh and eighth grades will spend two weeks reviewing test-taking strategies and taking practice tests in their literature and math classes.

