“We find comfort among those who agree with us, growth among those who don’t.”
---Frank A. Clark

**ASSESSMENT CHANGES**

Keota Elementary, like most elementary schools in Iowa, is implementing changes in its battery of assessments being administered to students throughout the school year. This is due to legislation requiring that by August 2014 every district must adopt a *universal screening* instrument for measuring literacy competency in the elementary grades.

*Universal screening* is the first step to identify students at-risk for reading difficulties. These assessments are administered to all students *three times a year*...fall, winter, and spring. Universal screening consists of brief assessments that focus on a variety of targeted skills.

*Progress monitoring* assessments are administered to only those students who are receiving additional instruction or intervention, to determine if students are improving in reading.

Together, these assessments represent a valid and reliable early warning system to identify students who are on track, as well as students who are not progressing adequately toward reading proficiency.

KES has adopted the FAST Assessments as our *universal screener*. FAST is replacing BRI (Basic Reading Inventory) for grades 1st-6th and DIBELS and Metropolitan Readiness testing in kindergarten. 1st-6th grade students will continue to take the Iowa Assessments in January and 2nd-6th graders will continue to take MAP assessments in the fall and spring.

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**PICTURE RETAKES**

Wednesday, November 5th

8:30 a.m.

**Food Drive**

The elementary is holding a food drive throughout the month of November, the 3rd through the 21st. The items we collect will be donated to the Local Missions Project on behalf of our KES students! Students and parents...check your cupboards for non-perishable canned or boxed food items you would like to share. We will build our very own “food pyramid” in the lobby!

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**Box Tops for Education**

**NOVEMBER 3-JANUARY 31**

Our annual BOX TOPS for EDUCATION contest runs November 3rd through January 31st. This is a perfect time of year to double check those boxes and cans before recycling to make sure you’ve saved any labels that are eligible to be redeemed! A list of eligible products is attached.
CLIPPING IS EASY! FIND BOX TOPS ON OVER 250 PRODUCTS YOU KNOW AND LOVE!

It’s easy to find Box Tops. In fact, you may have some in your home right now. Clip Box Tops from your favorite products and turn them into your school today! Each Box Top is worth 10¢ and they add up fast!

Encontrar Box Tops es fácil. De hecho, tal vez tengas algunos en tu casa en este momento. Recorta Box Tops de cientos de tus productos favoritos. Cada cupón de Box Tops tiene un valor de 10¢ para tu escuela ¡y esas cantidades se suman rápido!

APPAREL

ROPA

- Hanes® boys'/girls' underwear
- Hanes® boys'/girls' socks
- Hanes® printed shirts/sweatshirts
- Hanes® specially marked Men's and Women's underwear and socks bonus packs

BAKING & BAKEWARE

HORNEADO Y PRODUCTOS PARA HORNEAR

- Betty Crocker™ Baking & Cake Mixes
- Betty Crocker™ Brownies & Dessert Mixes
- Betty Crocker™ Complete Pancake
- Betty Crocker™ Create 'n Bake Cookies
- Betty Crocker™ Frosting
- Betty Crocker™ FUN da-Middles
- Betty Crocker™ Gluten Free Mixes
- Betty Crocker™ Muffin & Cookie Mixes
- Betty Crocker™ Pizza Crust Mix
- Bisquick™
- Fiber One™ Mixes
- Gold Medal™ Flour
- Reynolds’ Genuine Parchment Paper
- Reynolds’ Non-Stick Baking Pans
- Reynolds’ Staybright Baking Cups

CEREAL

CEREALES

- Basic 4™
- Cascadian Farm™
- Cascadian Farm™ Protein Granola
- Cheerios™
- Cheez™
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™
- Cocoa Puffs™
- Cookie Crisp™
- Fiber One™
- Gluten Free Chex™ Oatmeal
- Golden Grahams™
- Honey Nut Clusters™
- Kix™
- Lucky Charms™
- Nature Valley™ Protein Crunchy Granola
- Oatmeal Crisp™
- Raisin Nut Bran
- Reese's Puffs™
- Total™
- Trix™
- Wheaties™

FOOD STORAGE

CONTENEDORES PARA ALIMENTOS

- Ziploc® brand Big Bags XL (4 ct.)
- Ziploc® brand Freezer Bags
- Ziploc® brand Smart Snap Containers
- Ziploc® brand Storage Bags
- Ziploc® brand Twist 'n Loc® Containers
- Ziploc® brand VersaGlass® Containers
- Ziploc® brand Vacuum Freezer System
- Ziploc® brand Zip 'n Steam™ Bags

PRODUCE

FRUTAS Y VERDURAS

- Green Giant™ Fresh Vegetables
- Green Giant™ Fresh Fruit
- Green Giant™ Fresh Herbs

FROZEN

CONGELADOS

- Green Giant™ Vegetables
- Green Giant™ Seasoned Steamers™
- Green Giant™ Just for One™
- Green Giant™ Family Size Frozen Vegetables
- Green Giant™ Valley Fresh Steamers
- Pillsbury™ Breakfast
- Pillsbury™ Grands! Biscuit Sandwiches
- Pillsbury™ Pancakes
- Pillsbury™ Toaster Scrambles™
- Pillsbury™ Toaster Strudel™
- Old El Paso™ Frozen Entrees
- Totino's™ Party Pizza® & Pizza Rolls® Snacks
- Yoplait Frozen Yogurt Bars
- Yoplait Frozen Yogurt Original and Greek Pints
- Yoplait Smoothies and Greek Smoothies
**MEALS & SIDES**
**COMIDAS Y GUARNICIONES**
- Betty Crocker™ Bowl Appetit
- Betty Crocker™ Hamburger, Chicken & Tuna Helpers
- Betty Crocker™ Helper Complete Meals
- Betty Crocker™ Mac & Cheese
- Betty Crocker™ Specialty Potatoes & Potato Buds
- Betty Crocker™ Suddenly Salad
- Green Giant™ Conned Vegetables
- Green Giant™ Veggie Blend-Ins
- Old El Paso™ Dinner Kits
- Old El Paso™ Bowls
- Old El Paso™ Rice & Beans
- Old El Paso™ Shells & Seasonings
- Progresso™ Panko
- Progresso™ Bread Crumb Mixers™
- Progresso™ Recipe Starters™
- Progresso™ Soup
- Progresso™ Broth

**REFRIGERATED & DAIRY**
**REFRIGERADOS Y LÁCTEOS**
- Alpine Lace® Pre-Sliced Deli Cheese
- Horizon Organic Milk:
  - Milk Plus DHA Omega-3 (18/8 oz)
  - Reduced Fat Milk with DHA Omega-3 (3/64 oz)
- Kozy Shack® Pudding
- Land O’Lakes® Cheese Products
- Chunk Cheese varieties
- Pre-Sliced Deli Cheese
- Land O’Lakes® Fresh Buttery Taste® Spread (Sticks and tubs)
- Land O’Lakes® Margarine (Sticks and Tubes)
- Land O’Lakes® Sauté Express® Sauté Starter
- Land O’Lakes® Stick Butter or Spreadable Butter Products
- Pillsbury™ Crescents
- Pillsbury™ Grand® Biscuits
- Pillsbury™ Pizza Crust
- Pillsbury™ Melts
- Pillsbury™ Cookies
- Ready to Bake™
- Refrigerated
- Pillsbury™ Cinnamon Rolls
- Pillsbury™ Pancake Batter
- Yoplait®
  - Yoplait® Go-GURT® and Simply... Go-GURT®
  - Yoplait® Light & Original Fridge Packs (6 ct.)
  - Yoplait® Kids Multipack
  - Yoplait® Trix Multipack

**SNACKS & JUICES**
**BOCADILLOS**
- Betty Crocker™ Fruit Flavored Snacks
- Bugles™
- Cascadian Farm™ Granola Bars
- Cereal Treat Bars
- Cheerios™ Snack Mix
- Chex Mix™
- Fiber One™
  - Bars
  - Brownies
  - Cookies
  - Streusel
- Food Should Taste Good™
- Food Should Taste Good™ Tortilla & Kettle Cooked Chips
- Food Should Taste Good™ Pita Puffs
- Gardeoto’s™ Snacks
- Green Giant™ Veggie Snack Chips
- LARABAR™ (multipacks)
  - ALT™
  - über™
  - LARABAR™
- Larabar™ RENOLA Grain Free Granola
- Mott’s® Applesauce products
- Mott’s® Juice
- Mott’s® Medleys Fruit Flavored Snacks
- Nature Valley™ Bars
- Pillsbury™ Baguette Chips
- Ocean Spray® Fruit Flavored Snacks

**PAPER PRODUCTS**
**PRODUCTOS DE PAPEL**
- Kleenex® Facial Tissues
  - Kleenex® Mainline flats (160 ct., 195 ct., 230 ct. and multipacks)
  - Kleenex® Ultra Multipacks
- Kleenex® Anti-Viral
- Scott® Bath Tissue
- Scott® Paper Towels
- Scott Naturals™ Flushable Cleansing Cloths

**SCHOOL & OFFICE SUPPLIES**
**ARTÍCULOS PARA ESCUELA Y OFICINA**
- Boise Polaris® Paper

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SOARRing this week…

This week’s SOARR winners are:

**Kindergarten:**
- Jack Greiner
- Will Klein
- Rex Ott

**1st Grade:**
- Olivia Lyle
- Izzi Chalupa
- Brody Greiner

**2nd Grade:**
- Izzi Chalupa
- Brody Greiner

**3rd Grade:**
- Grace Johnson
- Izzi Chalupa
- Brody Greiner

**4th Grade:**
- Aidan Anderson
- Brandon Greiner

**5th Grade:**
- Colten Clarahan

**6th Grade:**
- Keenan Schooley
- Brady Duwa

We are proud to announce that the Keota Elementary students have earned **1,574** slips for demonstrating SOARR qualities at school since the beginning of the year! WE ARE ONCE AGAIN AIMING FOR **10,000** BY THE END OF THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to all of the KES **SOARRing** students!

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**WINTER WEATHER WEAR**

Parents are reminded that with the colder weather HERE the students need to come to school prepared for winter outdoor weather. This means winter weight coats, hats that cover the ears, mittens/gloves and boots (if there is snow on the ground). Even though the calendar may say it is still fall, the temperature may prove otherwise. Please help your child get in the habit of having the appropriate outside clothing every day!

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**HEALTH NOTES**

Just a reminder to parents to make a regular practice of checking your children’s heads for lice. Just trying to be proactive!

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**Book Fair through November 4**