

# The Kingsley Connection

## Kingsley Montgomery School Newsletter

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### Therapy Dogs

*GoTeam Therapy, Crisis and Airport Dogs in Michigan* visit Kingsley once a month on Fridays. There are three volunteers that come in with their dogs and visit the students. We have Sandy with her dog Cheyenne, Jan with Ringo, and Wes with Skadi. Visits with therapy dogs can help reduce anxiety and stress, gain confidence, develop social skills, and improve a child's behavior. Thank you to Mrs. Benham for coordinating these events!



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## School Garden

The Kingsley perennial garden is starting to bloom. Mr. Larry Hearn has planted annual flowers and vegetables in the garden. Students go to the garden to enjoy the flowers and help with the upkeep of our beautiful garden.



## Staff Appreciation

In May, we celebrated our staff with daily events, such as a nacho bar, ice cream bar, and a popcorn bar. We appreciate all of Kingsley staff for showing their commitment to our students. They make our school run smooth and efficiently.



We  
appreciate  
you



## Bowling at Cherry Hill Lanes

Students enjoyed a trip to Cherry Hill Lanes organized by our Occupational and Physical Therapists. The students bowled several games during this community based experience and everyone had a great time. A special “thank you” to Cherry Hill Lanes for opening their doors early for our students.



## ACES Day

Students and staff participated in the annual ACES (All Children Exercising Simultaneously) walk on May 7th. ACES started in 1989 to encourage children to exercise and promote healthy habits. Schools across the nation participated in the event. The Kingsley walk, organized by Mrs. Scolaro, encouraged students to enjoy some great activities, which were followed by a healthy snack of fruit and a bottle of water.



## Sun Bucks

The summer SNAP benefit is now called SUN Bucks! For families who would like to apply, the application is available online through the following website [MI Bridges](https://newmibridges.michigan.gov). <https://newmibridges.michigan.gov>

### Here is what you need to know:

- Eligible families of school-age children will receive money, per child, to purchase groceries over the summer.
- Families will be automatically enrolled in SUN Bucks if they are already enrolled in SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR benefits or meet the requirements for free or reduced-price school meals.
- Funds will expire 122 days after issuance – so families are encouraged to use them sooner rather than later.
- Families can receive SUN Bucks on top of other nutrition benefits like SNAP and WIC.



## Ceremony of Completion



On June 5th, the Kingsley Montgomery Ceremony of Completion was held to honor two of our students, Christopher Moon and Kane Murray. Following the ceremony, the families enjoyed a luncheon and conversation celebrating the honorees.



## Carnival



Students celebrated the end of the school year with a carnival on June 5th that included Chamberlin Pony Rides and Mobile Zoo sponsored by Knight of Columbus. Even though the weather was a bit gloomy, students enjoyed the pony rides, petting zoo, a bubble machine, games, and food. Thank you to Dupont and others who came to assist with grilling hot dogs, supervising games, and passing out prizes to students.

