

December 12, 2018

Hello Westside Families –

Please take a look at our notes for this week!

**REMINDERS AND UPCOMING SCHEDULE:**

**THURSDAY, December 13 – HOLIDAY CONCERT – Grades 1 & 2**  
(2:00- All School Performance)

- 6:30 – Grade 1
- 7:15 – Grade 2
  
- **Winter Break begins at NOON on Friday, December 21 -- ALSO, Green & Red Day or Ugly Sweater Day**
- **Classes resume on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2nd.**
- **Friday, January 11 – 2:00 Dismissal & Book Character Day**

**FROM OUR CLOTHES CLOSET:**

Thank you for all the generous donations you have made to our Westside Clothes Closet! **We are currently in need of mittens/gloves.** If you happen to have a surplus at home, please send them to school. Thank you!

**COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

[Kimberly High School Key Club Holiday Party](#) - December 15th, 10:00 - Noon  
[Appleton Boy Choir Auditions](#) - December 17th  
Kimberly 2018 [Winter Baseball Camp](#) - December 26 and 27  
Kimberly 2018 [Winter Softball Camp](#) - December 28th  
[Babysitting Certification Class](#) - December 29, 8:00 - 4:00  
Kimberly Cardinal Fastpitch [Registration Flyer](#)  
Papermaker Players [Audition Call](#) - January 6 and 8, 2019  
[Youth Volleyball League](#) at J.R. Gerrits - February through April, 2019  
Combined Locks Recreation Dept. [Baseball, Softball and Tee Ball Registration](#) is open online

As always, please give us a call if you have any questions. ☺

Thank you!

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# Westside Fun Night at Funset Boulevard

Date of Event: December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Time: 4-10 p.m.

Cost: \$4.00 each (Savings of \$9.95)

All wristbands can be purchased on November 19<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> during PT Conferences at the PTO table and in the office through December 20<sup>th</sup>.

The wristband includes:

Laser Tag

Batting Cages

Bumper Cars

Playground

Train

Carousel

Also, 10 tokens with the purchase of a pizza in the restaurant.

*Due to the high volume of families, Funset is asking that we do not distribute the wristbands on site the day of. There will be **NO exceptions.** All wristbands must be picked up in the office by **3:35 p.m. on THURSDAY, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018.** All sales are **final.***

- Thank you, Westside PTO

# *Kimberly High School*

## *Key Club Holiday Party*

*Date: Saturday,  
December 15<sup>th</sup>*

*Time: 10:00 am – Noon*

*Stop in anytime, stay for as little  
or as long as you would like*

*Location: Kimberly High  
School Commons*

*\*enter through front door.*

*Admission: \$5/Child or  
\$10/Family~2 or more  
children Pay at the Door*

*Parent must accompany children.*

### *Activities:*

*Cookie Decorating*

*Games*

*Crafts*

*Reindeer Scavenger Hunt*

*Face Painting*

*Hot Cocoa*

*Bake sale (additional fee)*

*Raffle Baskets (additional fee)*

*Lots More*



Any questions?  
Contact Stacy Dollevoet at  
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or 687-3024 (ext 3261).

**All proceeds go towards Darboy Kiwanis'  
Adopt A Family Project, benefitting families  
within the Kimberly Area School District.**



# Parenting 1 2 3

## Instilling Perseverance in Children

**I**t's easy for a child to give up on a task that seems too difficult. However, encouraging your child to persevere to accomplish a task is a great way to build their self-confidence, as well as show how rewarding it can be to overcome difficulties and accomplish something they thought they couldn't.

### Why Teaching Perseverance is Important

If children are permitted to just give up on a task they think is too hard, they may eventually develop a fear of trying to overcome obstacles in their lives or of trying new things. However, by being persistent when they're trying to learn a new subject in school or a new task, children will learn the value of hard work and how good it feels when they accomplish something they consider difficult.

Being persistent can also help children develop self-confidence. When they do persevere and accomplish something, children need to have their perseverance reinforced with praise from both their teachers and parents. For small children, learning to tie their shoes can be difficult, but if they persevere, they'll master tying their shoes and move on to learn the next new skill. Praise children for their efforts and accomplishments to help build their self-esteem and confidence.

### How to Teach Perseverance

Children usually learn from their parents by watching and imitating their behavior. If their parents give up on difficult tasks easily, children will learn that behavior as well. However, parents can model perseverance by continuing to make an effort to learn new skills, overcome difficulties, and accomplish their goals. When their parents are rewarded with a promotion and/or pay raise, children will learn there can be rewards for persevering on a task.

Parents can also use language to help children make the connection between their hard work and success. For instance, rather than just giving general praise, tell them that their practice has paid off — that playing their instrument, their grade in math class, or their sports performance has gotten much better. Make the direct connection between their perseverance and their accomplishments. Not only will they learn to persevere, but they can learn self-discipline as well.

### REMEMBER:

- *Adults need to model perseverance for children.*
- *Praise children by connecting their accomplishments with their hard work.*
- *Teaching children perseverance will help them build confidence, boost self-esteem, and learn self-discipline.*

