

# Kenneth A. Brett School

*“Growing a Community of Learners”*



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## Principal's Report to the Tamworth School Board December - 2009

**Enrollment Update** - See Enclosed Chart.

**First Quarter Grades 7-8 Honor Roll** (see attached correspondence):

**Education Views:** This month we will hear from Mr. Kennedy, our behavior specialist, Mr. Arnold who runs the Alternative Education Program and Mrs. McKenna the Talented and Gifted teacher. I have requested that each provide an overview of their respective program/services and similar to what was presented to the Reorganization Task Force several weeks ago. As we consider reorganization issues, it is important that we understand how various aspects of our programming fit into our instructional organization.

**Calendar of Events:** The second page of my report outlines the significant events occurring at the Brett School this month and next month.

**Reorganizational Task Force:** An update will be provided. The board has already received a copy of the Staffing Configurations Chart that compares staffing levels among the several K-8 schools visited by the Task Force. The Task Force meets the evening after the board meeting. Feedback from the Task Force should be available at the Friday evening budget meeting.

**Office Staffing Update:** Effective 11/23/09, Our part-time secretary receptionist is available to work 3 hours per day – 1:30-4:30. Previously she had been working from 11:00-4:30. This was due to her securing other part-time employment. We will re-evaluate office staffing needs at the end of January for the remainder of the school year.

**Weekly Newsletter:** Today's edition

**Recipe for Cooking a Turkey:** Donna Ulitz, guidance counselor, shared the kindergartener's (am & pm) recipes for cooking a turkey. "It was a team effort"

## Kenneth A. Brett School – Monthly Calendar of Events

### Calendar:

<b>December</b>	2	W	PTA Meeting, 7pm
	4	F	Talent Show - evening
	9	W	King Pine Rental Fittings, 9:15 am
	9	W	School Board Meeting, 5:30 pm, Library
	10	Th	Basketball, Bartlett, 4 pm
	10	Th	Reorganization Task Force Meeting, 6 PM, library
	11	F	School Board Budget Meeting, 6 PM, library
	12	SAT	Bluegrass Concert, Brass Heart Inn, 7-10 pm (8 <sup>th</sup> Gr fundraiser)
	16	W	School Board Budget Meeting, 6 PM, library
	18	W	Band at Cook Library, 1:30-3:15
	18	W	Basketball, Moultonborough, 4pm
	19	Sat	Tamworth Farmers Market, 10-2
	21	M	School Board Budget Meeting, 6 PM, library
	22	Tu	Basketball, Berlin, 4pm
	24-Jan 3		Holiday Vacation – NO SCHOOL
<b>January</b>	6	W	PTA Meeting, 7 PM
	6	W	Basketball, Berlin, 4pm
	8	F	Ski/Skate Program, 12:30-4:00 PM
	9	Sat	Boys Basketball Tournament, Brett Gym
	13	W	School Board Meeting, 5:30 pm, library
	15	F	Ski/Skate Program, 12:30-4:00 PM
	18	M	HOLIDAY, NO SCHOOL
	22	F	Ski/Skate Program, 12:30-4:00 PM
	22-23	F-Sa	Girls Basketball Tournament, Bartlett Elementary School
	27	W	Early Release, 12:30, Teacher In-Service
28	Th	Basketball, Kennett, 4 PM	
29	F	Ski/Skate Program, 12:30-4:00 PM	

Kenneth A. Brett School - Student Enrollment Data – 2009-2010

Grade	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
<b>K</b>	19	18	19	21						
<b>1</b>	23	24	24	24						
<b>2</b>	24	24	25	25						
<b>3</b>	24	25	25	25						
<b>4</b>	17	17	17	16						
<b>5</b>	27	27	26	26						
<b>6</b>	24	24	23	25						
<b>7</b>	24	24	24	24						
<b>8</b>	25	24	24	24						
<b>Total</b>	207	207	207	210						

Student Enrollments

Summer      Enrolled 20 kindergarten students at end of 08-09  
 Sep-Oct      Gr 1 & 3 moved to Tamworth from Mass  
 Oct-Nov      Gr K    Family moved from Ossipee  
                   Gr 2    Family moved from Effingham  
 Nov-Dec      Gr K    Family moved in from Ossipee  
                   Gr 5    Family moved from Bristol  
                   Gr 6    Family moved from Newfound  
                   Gr 6    Formerly attending private school  
                   Gr K    Family moved from Ossipee  
                   Gr 3    Family moved from Farmington

Student Withdrawals

Summer:      Promoted 26 - 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to Kennett HS  
                   Gr K & 4 – Attending private school  
 Sep-Oct:      Gr K    Family moved to Ossipee  
                   Gr 8    Family moved to Conway  
 Oct-Nov      Gr 5    Family moved to Wolfeboro  
                   Gr 6    Family moved to Conway  
 Nov-Dec      Gr 3, 4 & 5    Family moved to Hampton

Brett School Student Enrollments - Historical

Enrollment	207	211	231	237	251	249	262	269	274	270	323	297	281
Year	09-10	08-09	07-08	06-07	05-06	04-05	03-04	02-03	01-02	00-01	99-00	98-99	97-98

## Morning Kindergarten Recipe for Thanksgiving Dinner



1. Preheat oven to 40 degrees.
2. Take off the feathers and the head.
3. Wash the turkey before you cook it.
4. Put it in a pan.
5. Need a little bit of oil to put on the turkey.
6. Put salt and pepper on it.
7. Season the turkey.
8. Put some stuffing inside.
9. Cover it before you cook it.
10. Oven needs to be warm or hot.
11. Cook it for 5 minutes.
12. Eat with carrots and cranberry sauce. ENJOY!!!

In guidance class, we discussed the many reasons we are thankful this holiday season. Ask your child about “Pin the Feather on the Turkey!”

## Afternoon Kindergarten Recipe for Thanksgiving Dinner



1. Preheat oven to 69 degrees.
2. Take off the feathers.
3. Boil it.
4. Put flour on top.
5. Pour oil over the top.
6. Put it in a pan.
7. Stuff it with stuff.
8. Cook it for either 10 seconds or three minutes.
9. Serve with mashed potatoes, bacon, rice, pineapple, ham, lemonade, and milk.
10. ENJOY!!!!

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Congratulations! Recently the Grades 7-8 teachers held an honor roll ceremony on behalf of your child and other grade 7 and 8 students who achieved honor roll status for the first quarter of this school year. More than 50% (28 out of 48 students) of the seventh and eighth graders achieved either honors (B average), high honors (all A's and B's) or highest honors (all A's) this first quarter of the 2009-2010 school year.

On behalf of the superintendent, school board and myself; we are proud of your children, as you must be as well. Too often, young people are criticized for the many negative things attributed to them. Your child's achievements are evidence that there are many more young people that care about learning and are willing to work hard to accomplish success.

Sincerely,

Noel J. DeSousa

C: Dr. Jay McIntire, SAU #13 Superintendent of Schools  
Laura Pike, Chair, Tamworth School Board