

PARENT NEWSLETTER

Hello Parents of Thomas E. Kerns! This school year is already half way through. We thank you for all your hard work in getting your children to school and for making sure they come in on time. It is important for your child to get settled and ready to have a positive day of learning and participating. Make each day count!

Be sure that you check your child's homework folder or agenda every day. Use this folder or agenda to communicate with your child's teacher. You may already use other ways of communicating like Class Dojo or e-mail. Communication with your child's teacher makes it the best tool for success!

The school sends phone messages with announcements of upcoming events as reminders in English and in Spanish. Events are also sent home by flyers as well as posted on the marquee at the school entrance. *So please make sure to notify the office of any changes of phone numbers to ensure that you receive the calls.* Having updated information is most important. It is also helpful to the nurse in case your child becomes ill or hurt.

Your participation is greatly appreciated! We have had an amazing response from parents and grandparents for our special lunches. This so exciting to see parents involved! We have also seen great attendance for most of our PTA/Event nights. We encourage you to continue your enthusiasm of participation and share it with those you know that may not always remember to come! Your presence makes every event worth all the work that goes into each activity. Thank you!

Last year we began a program called Parenting Partners. This program is composed of a series of interactive classes designed to help parents become leaders in the child's academic success. We are planning our next series of classes for **Tuesdays** in the months of **January** and **February**. Once a week we will meet from 3:00 to 4:30 pm here at TEK. Childcare by teacher volunteers and a light snack are provided. So mark your calendars. Join us! Please call me to reserve your spot for the class at 864-355-2592. Only 20 spots are available! Classes will be available in English and in Spanish in two different rooms!

My name is Loida M. Evatt and I am the Title I Parent and Family Involvement Coordinator. My working hours this year are Monday through Friday from 8:30am – 2:30pm. My phone number is (864)355-2592. My e-mail address is levatt@greenville.k12.sc.us . If you have any questions, concerns, suggestions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Visit our TEK webpage at <https://www.greenville.k12.sc.us/kerns/>. Volunteer Applications are available online. If you haven't done yours yet, do it today! You'll need Level II clearance to go on any field trips. This is a School District rule.