## **KEES Achievements**

Beth Bodiford Golden Apple Award recipient.

Nancy Brady-Wood named 2012-2013 Teacher of the Year.

Nancy Brady-Wood, recipient of SRS minigrant, and Greater Savannah River Community Foundation grant.

Eartha Holmes, recipient of Greater Savannah River Community Foundation grant.

Kim Richardson, national committee member for ETS

Keighly Aldrich, Conference presenter

The mission of Kelly Edwards Elementary School, with the support of the parents and community, is to develop caring and productive citizens by providing challenging and positive experiences for all in a safe, enriched child-centered environment.

### 2013-2014 SIC Members

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#### **Purpose of the Report**

"This Report is issued by the KEES School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year."

### Kelly Edwards Elementary School

## **Annual School Improvement Council**

"Report to the Parents" 2013-14



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# School Sponsored Programs

#### **Anti-Bullying Club**

For the 2013-2014 school year an Anti-Bullying club was started at KEES. This club meets weekly.

#### **Save the Children**

Save the Children's literacy program provides children in our school the opportunity to increase their reading achievement by supplying the tools they need to develop reading skills and the guidance and support they need to grow as readers, in-school and afterschool.

#### **LEAP**

Artistic students, chosen through auditions, receive the opportunity to thrive in the arts one day per week

#### **Good News Club**

A faith-based after-school club that students Grades 3-5 are allowed to attend weekly on Wednesdays.

#### **March of Dimes**

The KEES 2nd Grade team coordinates a school-wide effort to raise money for March of Dimes, with the grade level raising the most money being awarded with a pizza party, the 2013-14 winner was Kindergarten.

#### **Relay for Life**

The KEES 3rd Grade team coordinates a school-wide effort to raise money for the Barnwell County Relay for Life.

#### **Toms Shoes Donation**

Through our Save the Children Program, every child at KEES received a donated pair of Toms shoes.

### Safety/Instructional Enhancements

#### **Reading Coach**

For the 2013-2014 school year, KEES now has a full-time Reading Coach.

#### **Guidance Counselor**

For the 2013-2014 school year, KEES now has a full-time Guidance Counselor.

#### **Transportation Safety Measures**

Enforcement of no parking and walking in the bus loading zones and adjacent areas during designated pick-up and drop-off times to ensure student and staff safety.

#### **Technology Update**

KEES updated technology for all faculty and staff for the 2013-2014 school year.

#### **Safety Drills**

KEES conducts monthly safety/emergency drills to ensure students and staff are familiar with the appropriate procedures for the varied types of emergencies.

#### **Collaborative Planning Days**

For the 2013-14 school year, 3 district-wide collaborative planning days were added to the school year. After the early release of students staff members met to strategize methods to better educate the students of W-E District #29.

#### **District Strategic Plan Meeting**

The W-E School District #29 hosted planning meeting allowing community input and involvement in the development of the district's strategic plan.

#### **Computer Lab Activity**

For the 2013-2014 school year, KEES now has a full-time Computer Lab Teacher available to all of our students, with the computer lab being added as an activity for all grade levels K-5.

## School Sponsored Activities

#### **Costume Exchange**

Costumes were solicited for donation to allow students the opportunity to purchase the costumes from our Costume Exchange for a \$1 contribution.

#### Fall Carnival/Family Movie Night

KEES sponsored a Fall Carnival in October promoting family involvement with interactive games and activities A family movie night was sponsored in January with a variety of family-friendly movies and concessions available to our students and their families.

#### AA Heritage Parade & 60th Anniversary

The 2nd African American Heritage Parade for our community was held on the last Sunday in the month of February. The African American Heritage Celebration showcased the heritage of African Americans, displayed the achievements of some of KEES alumni and celebrated the 60th anniversary of the founding of KES. The Alumni of KES were honored with a reception prior to the program.

#### **TD Bank Summer Reading Program**

Through this opportunity, students will be provided the opportunity, after reading 10 books over the summer, to receive a free savings account with a \$10 initial deposit for program participation

#### **SC Walk at School Day Participation**

KEES students participated in SC Walk at School Day on March 5, 2014 during their grade level's designated activity period. In conjunction with ESMMBC, students used the 1st 20 minutes of their activity walking in promotion of physical activity.