

TUTORS FOR KIDS, INC

Celebrating 15 years of Tutoring Children



Tutors for Kids, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit community-based organization of volunteers who support the local educational process through direct classroom tutoring and other activities that enhance the educational environment leading to scholastic advancement. Our Mission: Meeting student educational needs as defined by the teacher through suitable and trained volunteer tutors in the local Tri-County Title 1 public schools as determined by the Board of Directors.

APRIL 2025 NEWSLETTER



APRIL POEM

April, a tapestry of rain and bloom,
Where nature shakes off winter gloom.
With every drop, the earth is fed,
As life awakens from its wintry bed.
(Vinaya Joseph author)

TIME TO GET BOOKS FOR THE SUMMER

Wildwood Elementary and Intermediate Schools

The TFK book room will be open the week of May 5, Monday through Friday, from 9 to 12 to select Books for the Break. Each child in a class with a tutor(s) should get a book. Ask your teacher for the reading levels of your kids. The TFK book room is in building 1, room 11 at Wildwood Elementary. Wildwood Intermediate tutors should come at this time also.

If these dates are not convenient, contact Sandy Lynch,
KLynchFORE@aol.com to schedule another time.

If anyone would like to help at the book room during these time, contact Sandy Lynch.



RECAP OF LAST QUARTERLY TUTOR MEETING



Building Tutor/Teacher Relationships

Shug Brandell welcomed everyone to the last tutor meeting for this school year. She then introduced the panel members for the panel discussion. In attendance were The Villages Elementary School of Lady Lake Principal, Gregg Dudley, Intervention Specialist Jenn Beliveau and Literary Coach Samantha Symonds, Beverly Shores grade 2 tutor, Gwen Comstra, TFK Board Chair and Tutor Orientation presenter, Chuck Ramberg, and Head Book Coordinator, Sandy Lynch.

The Villages Elementary School of Lady Lake team discussed the school mentor program at their school. The intervention program is from 8:40am to 10:50 am on Wednesday only. The program is for kindergarten, first and second graders. The students are chosen based on their test scores. A tutor would see 3 students in the given time period, one on one tutoring for 30 minutes each student. All materials are provided and the program is highly structured. If you are interested in this type of program let your STC know before the end of this school year.

Gwen Comstra from Beverly Shores discussed the importance of communication between the tutor and teacher. Communication is important to maintain a good working relationship. The tutor needs to ask questions, and the teacher needs to be available to keep the tutor

informed either in person, by text, or by email.

Chuck Ramberg talked about the Tutors for Kids Chair position and how everyone who wants to be a tutor must go through the orientation program.

Sandy Lynch, Tutors for Kids head Book Coordinator, explained how she orders books for the various schools and how the book coordinators get the books ready for distribution at the winter break and summer break. Sandy also discussed how all books distributed must be from an approved list. All students in the classroom with a tutor will receive a book, as a gift, from Tutors for Kids to keep and take home.

Questions and answers followed the panel discussion.



THANK YOU ANN ROSATI

Ann Rosati has been a STC and tutor at Wildwood Elementary School for 11 years. She just moved back to Rochester NY, but she will remain STC until the end of this school year. Tutors for Kids expresses their **sincere thanks** for all you have done for the kids.



THANK YOU MARY WILSON

Mary Wilson has been an STC at Fruitland Park Elementary since 2017 and is retiring from the STC position but will remain as a tutor. **Thank you, Mary** for all you do for Tutors for Kids.





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