KSC TECH NEWS

Bon Air Elementary Celebrates Digital Learning Day
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On February 23rd we celebrated Digital Learning Day. We opened our doors to Kokomo School Administrators, IT support staff, members of the press, community members, and parents to visit our building and classrooms to get a glimpse into a typical day at our Tech Academy.

Our first graders created "talking book reviews" on Chatterpix. They turned images of books into talking photos using a camera, audio recorder, and filter tools. Another classroom connected with students worldwide on a class project using the Pen Pal Schools website. Third grade students connected with students in the United Kingdom, India, Australia, New Zealand, Chicago, and Texas.

Our specials teachers embraced the technology spirit as well. Jessica Sobie, music teacher, challenged fifth graders to "play" songs by coding the Dash Robot to play his xylophone.

Overall, we are very thrilled with all of the activities that occurred on Digital Learning Day. We believe integrating technology within learning activities creates a high level of engagement with our students. It also motivates our students to showcase their learning in a variety of ways.

- To check out Jessica's blog on Digital Learning Day, click the Bon Air Tech icon and scroll down to the blog further down the home page.

Outlook Tip: How to Automatically Send a Particular Sender's E-mail Directly to Trash

There are times you may provide your email to a vendor at a conference, or perhaps there is an online subscription you signed up for, and the vendor/company were happy to share your email address to similar companies. In cases such as these, your inbox may start becoming inundated with emails and offers you do not want, and you really don't have time to deal with. How can you send these emails straight to the trash without even coming to your inbox?

In your Inbox, from the e-mail you no longer want to come into your inbox:

- **Right click**
- **Go down to "Junk"**
- **Next to the small arrow is a dropdown**
- **Click on "Block Sender"**
- **Anything that sender/advertiser will automatically be sent to your trash in outlook and you will not even see these annoying offers/information**

TIME Edge

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American Social History Project - Center for Media and Learning

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