



"WACKY WEDNESDAY" TO SUPPORT CHILDHOOD CANCER RESEARCH

COLLAGE HAS TEAMED UP WITH THE KATE AMATO FOUNDATION IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER TO RAISE AWARENESS AND DONATIONS FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER. WITH A \$5 PER WEEK (\$20 FOR THE MONTH) DONATION, YOUR STUDENT CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE FUN OVER FOUR WEEKS!

SEPT 11 - FAVORITE CHARACTER SHIRT

SEPT 18 - FAVORITE SPORTS TEAM SHIRT

SEPT 25 - WEAR YOUR PAJAMAS! SHOES REQUIRED.

OCT 2 - SHORTS OR PANTS OF YOUR CHOICE

CASH OR CHECK ONLY IN AN ENVELOPE TO THE ATTENTION OF LAUREN MILLICAN.
CHECKS PAYABLE TO CDS WITH "KATE AMATO FOUNDATION" IN THE CHECK MEMO.



**KATHERINE "KATE" ROSE AMATO
DECEMBER 10, 2004 – NOVEMBER 30, 2016**



ON JULY 20, 2014, AT NINE YEARS OLD, KATE WAS DIAGNOSED WITH STAGE 4 ALVEOLAR RHABDOMYOSARCOMA, AN AGGRESSIVE SOFT TISSUE CANCER THAT ATTACKS SKELETAL MUSCLES. DURING AN ER VISIT FOR SHOULDER PAIN, WE DISCOVERED THAT CANCER HAD INVADDED HER LITTLE BODY, GROWING TUMORS THROUGHOUT HER SPINE, SHOULDERS, LEGS, AND INTERNAL ORGANS. WHAT FOLLOWED WAS 2 ½ YEARS OF TREATMENT THAT KATE ENDURED. KATE SHOWED US STRENGTH THROUGH PAIN, PERSEVERANCE THROUGH FEAR, GRATITUDE THROUGH DISAPPOINTMENT, AND JOY THROUGH DARKNESS.

KATE INSPIRED US TO BE BETTER PEOPLE AND SHE MADE THE WORLD A MORE BEAUTIFUL PLACE. AFTER FIGHTING COURAGEOUSLY FOR OVER TWO YEARS, KATE PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER 30, 2016.