KVMS Panther Pavs March 17TH, 2023

Message from the Principal

I know I have said this before but I am going to say it again, one of the favorite parts of my job is watching our students shine in so many different ways! Whether it is in a concert, during a game, on the stage or helping others, our students at Kenyon Woods have so many opportunities to show off their awesomeness! These last few weeks have been no exception.



At the beginning of the month we got to see our 7th grade girls basketball team win the district basketball tournament. Both the 8th grade and 7th grade teams had great games and showed a lot of heart throughout the season.

Over the last two weeks our orchestra and band students had incredible performances during their concerts. To hear their progress from the beginning of the year to now was amazing! I can't wait to see their performances in May!

Then we get to last night! Wow! I was blown away by our students' performance in the school play "Murder Mystery Dinner Party". I loved seeing our students come alive on stage. The play was funny and witty and our students' acting was spot on. We were kept guess "Who Dunnit" right up until the end. They truly shined under the spotlight.

These are just a few of the opportunities our students have to show off their skills and get involved. A huge thank you goes out to all the teachers who spend countless hours working with our students and providing them with these awesome experiences.

Thank you! Lisa Olsem ~ Principal

WE ARE KENYON WOODS AND WE DREAM BIG!

To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also DREAM; not only plan, but also BELIEVE! ~ Anatole France

PANTHERS SHINE ON AND OFF THE STAGE!



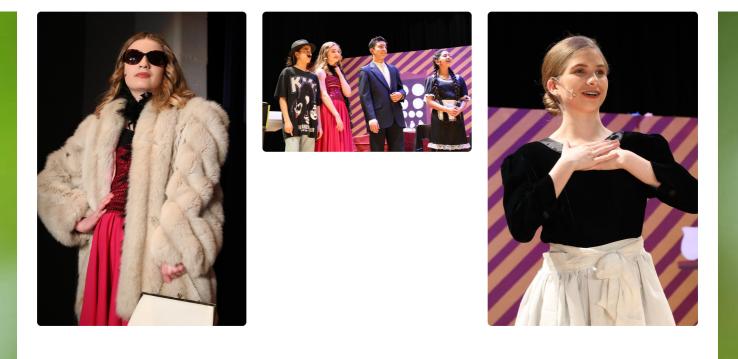








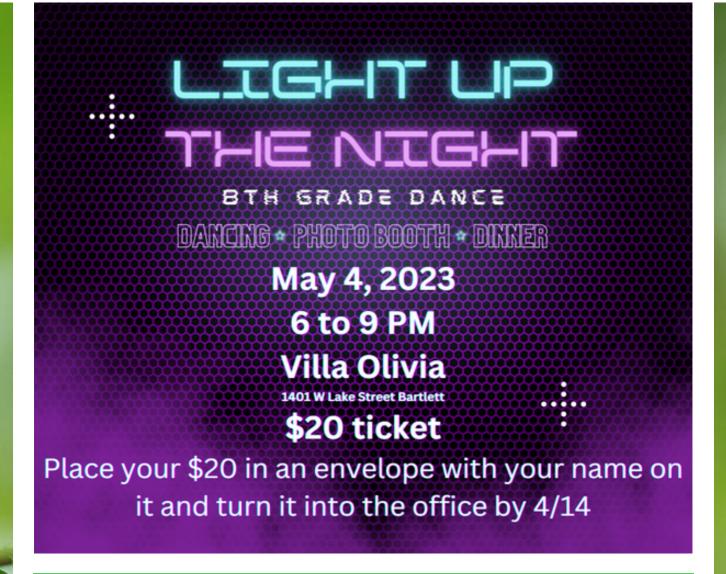




DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOUR STUDENTS ARE POSTING?

Help us!

We spend so much time investigating situations that come to our attention related to social media. We ask that you help us monitor your child's engagement in social media and make sure their participation is positive and not infringing the student code of conduct. We want to provide a positive and safe culture for our students, your children, and we need you to be our partners in this task! Thank you!



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR INCREDIBLE BAND PERFORMANCES!



7th Grade Band

Jazz Band

8th Grade Band

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

We love seeing our students every day at school, especially as we near the spring recess at the end of March. Please remember that it is extremely important that our students are in school and on time to class every day, right up until the end of the school day. Every day in school counts and helps build the foundation for your child's academic success. It is an important opportunity for students to learn as well as collaborate with their peers on rigorous, standards-aligned tasks that require critical thinking, collaboration, creativity, and communication. When your child is absent, they miss out on this collaboration.

Extended absences and/or vacations during the school year are discouraged and considered unexcused absences. The only approved vacation periods for U-46 students occur during Thanksgiving and winter recess, spring break, and summer vacation. Thank you, as always, for your support and cooperation.

For our Student Attendance Guidelines as part of our Student Handbook, please visit <u>u-46.org/attendance</u>.

"NO COOK" NIGHT - CRUMBL COOKIE

Do you need a better excuse than a school fundraiser to eat CRUMBL COOKIE?? Join us on Tuesday, March 21st for a sweet deal!



SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Kenyan Woods Middle School

Tuesday March 21, 2023 3PM-6PM

Crumbl—South Elgin

315 Randall Road South Elgin



PANORAMA SURVEY TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK!

Students in 4th through 12th grade will be asked to participate next week in U-46's fourth annual Panorama Equity and Inclusion Student Survey. The survey is designed to measure how well students feel included and represented in school. It also asks important questions about diversity, cultural awareness, and action, how comfortable they feel talking about race and culture in class – and the frequency that educators are leading those discussions.

Students will receive an email around 7 a.m. Monday, March 20, with the survey link. Teachers are being encouraged to set aside about 20 minutes of class time to let students complete the survey before the end of the week.

More information can be found on our <u>Student Equity and Inclusion Survey website</u>, including directions for how parents or guardians can have their child opt out of taking the survey.

PULL TOY PROJECTS IN AUTOMATION & ROBOTICS









SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

<u>June 7th - July 7th</u> - For middle school students, the summer program will engage students in a variety of academic enrichment opportunities that include STEM, Humanities, and elective

and will be hosted at Kenyon Woods Middle School. There are a limited number of seats available, and registration is available on a first-come, first-served basis. The schedule and more information is available on our Middle School Summer Enrichment page <u>here</u>. Middle school parents can sign their students up for this enrichment program through this <u>online site</u>.

<u>August 1st - 3rd</u> - In addition to the summer program enrichment option, U-46 will host the **Middle** School Experience, for all students who will be in 7th grade in a U-46 middle school for the 2023-24 school year.

The Middle School Experience is a voluntary program that will be hosted at each middle school and will feature community and team-building activities aligned to social-emotional learning standards. The programming aims to familiarize these students with their teachers, peers, their buildings, and schedules. Students will participate in a variety of activities for critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, and communication. The Middle School Experience will run from Aug. 1-Aug. 3. More information on the Middle School Experience is available <u>here</u>.

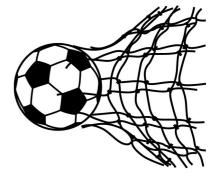
ATTENTION 8TH GRADE PARENTS - SAVE THE DATES

More information to follow.

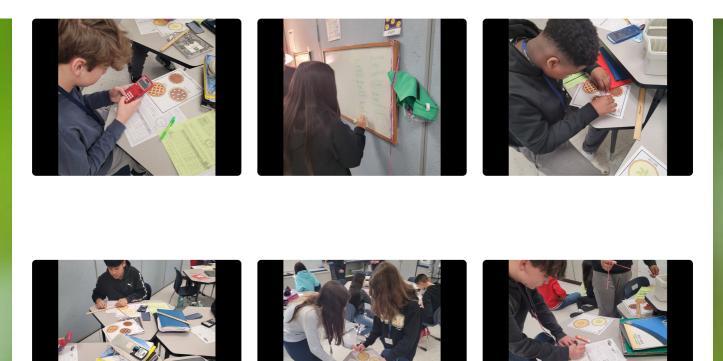
May 4TH – 8th Grade Dance – 6:00 – 9:00 pm May 22nd - 8th Grade Trip to the Main Event May 25TH – 8th Grade Recognition – 6:30 pm

GIRLS INTRAMURAL SOCCER

Attention any 7th or 8th grade girls interested in joining intramural soccer! Practice will be starting on Wednesday, April 5th after school. Information packets and a sign up sheet and QR code will be available next week in the main office and commons to be filled out and completed at, or prior to, our first practice.



"PI" DAY FUN IN MATH



DON'T MISS OUT! LAST CHANCE TO ORDER A YEARBOOK!

Here is the link to order online: <u>https://www.vipis.com/group/f58a5727/kenyon-woods-middle-school-</u>



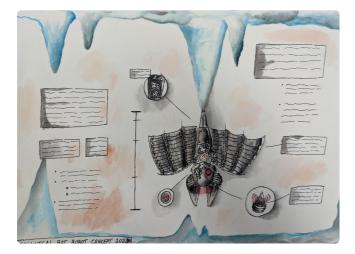
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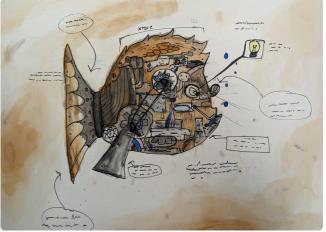


KENYON WOODS MIDDLE SCHOOL AVID COLLEGE & CAREER GALLERY WALK 5:00 - 6:30 PM

FROM THE CREATIVE MINDS OF OUR PANTHERS!

Check out these creations from Art 2 artists. They were tasked with combining the natural world of animals with the mechanized industrial world to create Mechanical Animals. Vivian Grant and Alex McFarland created very interesting mock blueprints using sharpie pen and watercolor paint.





TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL PORTRAITS!

Team and individual portraits from your picture day are now available to view and order online. To order photos from your picture day:

- 1. Go to: https://www.vipis.com/group/f58a5727/kenyon-woods-middle-school-
- 2. Select "View now" on the green Sports Team & Individual tile
- 3. Enter your information in the search fields
- 4. Select the school year (July 1st to June 30th) during which your photos were taken and click "search"
- 5. Follow the instructions to select your package or products and enter your information
- 6. You will receive a confirmation email

If you have any questions, please contact us at support@vipis.com We're happy to help!

ORDER YOUR KENYON WOODS SPIRITWEAR NOW!

The Kenyon Woods spring spirit wear sale is live!

Sale Details:

- Dates: March 13 thru March 27th
- 25% off all merchandise
- \$5 shipping on orders under \$75
- Free shipping on orders over \$75





Community V WELLNESS FAIR

Thursday ⁺ May 4, 2023

at The Centre 100 Symphony Way Elgin, Illinois 2:00pm-7:00pm

For more information: 847-888-5000 x5034 or christinecliff@u-46.org Screenings Food Demos Awareness Demos Cardio Wellness Blasts Car Seat Safety Checks Pop Up Farmers Market Information & Resources U-46 Staff vs. Student Basketball Game

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Plus a Food Truck Fiesta with Food to Purchase Featuring Perk 'n Pickle and Mario's Cart

Special Guests Including Chicago Bears-"Staley" Kane County Cougars- "Ozzie"

Raffle And Prizes \$200.00 Visa Gift Card Autographed Chicago Bears Items Sporting Event Ticket Vouchers a Bicycle, Car Seat, Skateboard, Fitbit and More!

IMPORTANT DATES

3/18/2023 - MS Band Festival @ SEHS 3/20/2023 - Boys Volleyball Game vs Ellis - Away 3/21/2023 - AVID College and Career Gallery Walk 3/22/2023 - Boys Volleyball Game vs Kimball - Home 3/25/2023 - 4/2/2023 - SPRING BREAK 4/4/2023 - No School - Election Day 4/5 & 4/6 - IAR Testing 4/5/2023 - Boys Volleyball Game vs Abbott - Away 4/6/2023 - Boys Volleyball Game vs Larsen - Home 4/7/2023 - No School - Spring Holiday 4/10/2023 - Boys Volleyball Game vs Eastview - Home 4/12/2023 - Boys Volleyball Game vs Tefft - Away 4/17/2023 - Boys Volleyball Game vs Canton - Home 4/19/2023 - Boys Volleyball Game vs Eastview - Away 4/24/2023 - Boys Volleyball Game vs Tefft - Home 4/26/2023 - Boys Volleyball Game vs Canton - Away 5/4/2023 - 8th Grade Dinner and Dance - 6 -- 9pm - Villa Olivia 5/5/2023 - No School - Teacher Institute Day 5/6/2023 - Girls Soccer Tournament - KWMS 5/9/2023 - Band Concert - 6:30 pm @ SEHS

5/15/2023 - Chorus Concert 5/16/2023 - Orcestra Concert - 6:30 pm @ SEHS 5/22/2023 - 8th Grade Trip - Main Event 5/25/2023 - 8th Grade Recognition - 6:30 pm @ SEHS 5/29/2023 - No School - Memorial Day 5/31/2023 - Last Day of School

What's on the MENU this month?

Link to all 2022/23 KWMS Panther Newsletters



Kenyon Woods Middle School

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Lisa Olsem

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