

KWMS Panther Paws

November 3rd, 2023

Message from the Principal

For those that were able to attend the Fall Festival last Friday, what an incredible event it was! A HUGE thank you to Mrs. McIntosh, Mrs. Buesse, Ms. Ziegler and the entire Student Government team for putting together such a SPOOKTACULAR event for everyone. Between the cakewalk, the games, the hayride, the raffles, and the Splash Bucket, this truly was a family event with something for everyone. I also want to thank all the staff and parents who volunteered their time or items, without you, we would not have been able to make this night happen. I love being a part of the Kenyon Woods community and this night just reinforced why! Way to go Panthers! You are the BEST!



Thank You

Lisa Olsem ~ Principals

**¡Somos Kenyon Woods y soñamos en grande!
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



KENYON WOODS

MIDDLE SCHOOL

THANK YOU

On behalf of Student Council, I want to thank everyone for helping to make this year's Fall Fest a huge success. It was great seeing so many students and families enjoying themselves. The Fall Fest is a huge event and it would not be possible without the assistance of countless people who helped to prepare, work during the event, and clean up afterwards. I am humbly blessed to work with and be apart of a great community.

Thank you for helping to make this event possible!

SHOUT OUTS:

I would like to acknowledge the following businesses and people who donated to this event and all the parents, students and staff who volunteered. Unfortunately, I will not be able to name everyone who volunteered but please know that your generosity did not go unnoticed. You are truly appreciated.

A special shout out to Mr. Kenyon for providing the Hayrides and decorations for the Fall Fest event.

DONATIONS:

Chicago White Sox, Chicago Cubs, Chicago Bears, Epic Air, Urban Air, McAlister's, Beef Villa, Chili's, Arby's, Casey's, Country Donuts, The Windy City Bulls, Main Event, Riverside, Chick-Fil-A, Village Tavern, Nothing Bundt Cake, Field Museum, Bartlett Park District, Elgin Park District, Marcus Theatre, Northwestern, Paramount Theatre, Cooper's Hawk, Colonial Cafe, Best Buy, Domino's Pizza, Etemal Tan, Andy's Custard, National Karate, Geneva Commons, , trend and relic, Red Robin, Mrs. Hodge, Mrs. Buesse, Sam's Club, Mr. Olsem, Mr. Ross, Mr. Cesaroni, Mr. Monger, Dental Care of South Elgin, and Kenyon Woods PTO and Parents.

VOLUNTEERS:

Mrs. Olsem, Mrs. Henderson, Mr. Fleming, Mr. Efenbaugh, Ms. Cook, Ms. Tapia, Ms. Duran, Mrs. Rios, Ms. Ziegler, Mrs. Drwal, Ms. Ventrella, Mrs. Guzman, Ms. Andrews, Mrs. Gentry, Mrs. Domschke, Ms. Tapia, Ms. Duran, Mrs. Rios, Officer Hunt, Mrs. Buesse, Mr. Marroquin, Mr. Pasde, Mr. Konstantinidis, Mrs. Banach, Mrs. Russo, Kenyon Woods parents and friends, and Student Council students.

EPIC AIR JUMP JAM IS COMING!!



KENYON WOODS MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO

EPIC AIR JUMP JAM FUNDRAISING NIGHT

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ALA CARTE ITEMS ARE BACK FOR LUNCH!

Starting November 6th, the cafeteria will be selling water bottles. These are priced at 50 cents. Money needs to be on your student's ID via [Myschoolbucks.com](https://myschoolbucks.com), we are cashless. Students need to adhere to the school's water bottle policy.

We also will be serving french fries with school lunches once or twice a month. Students can also purchase an order of fries ala carte when we have them! We will have seasoned wedge potatoes on Monday, November 6th! We hope to be adding other fun items for students to purchase ala carte like smart snack chips or cookies.

More info coming soon! Any questions, contact Jane Russo ext 2227.

ATTENTION 8TH GRADE STUDENTS!



Welcome Class of 2028!



HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Join us for an informative evening to learn more about your future high school. Graduation requirements, expectations, course selection and more.

OUR HIGH SCHOOLS

Join at the school you plan on attending:

- [Bartlett High School \(12/6\)](#) - 6:00pm
- [Elgin High School \(11/29\)](#) - 6:30pm
- [Larkin High School \(12/4\)](#) - 6:00pm
- [South Elgin High School \(12/7\)](#) - 6:00pm
- [Streamwood High School \(11/30\)](#) - 6:00pm

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Meet Administration, Staff & fellow students
- Learn about a typical high school schedule
- Receive an overview of the course selection process
- Learn about elective course options
- Preview activities & athletics

NEW TO U-46?

[Click here](#) to learn more (scroll to the bottom) or contact the school you will attend to start the enrollment process.

KENYON WOODS PTO

MEETING SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

NOVEMBER 13TH

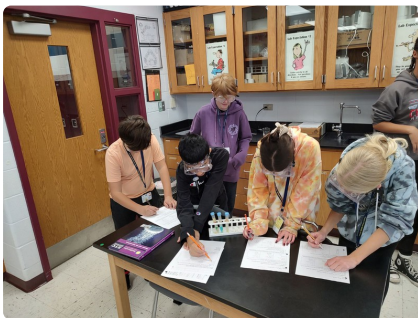
6:30PM

ZOOM LINK WILL BE
EMAILED DAY OF MEETING



IS IT A CHEMICAL OR PHYSICAL REACTIONS!

7th grade science classes are trying to determine if we have evidence that a chemical reaction has occurred? Mr. Becker and Mrs. McNally's classes are coming up with Claim, Evidence, and Reasoning.





SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

PARTICIPATE IN A COMMUNITY SURVEY

AVAILABLE OCTOBER 23-NOVEMBER 6, 2023

Monday, October 23, 2023 through Monday, November 6, 2023, the Village of South Elgin will conduct a community-wide survey to better identify how our residents assess Village services such as police, public works, utility billing, parks & recreation, roads and infrastructure and much more. For more information, please visit www.southelgin.com/Survey2023 or scan the QR code below. Printed copies of the survey are available at Village Hall, 10 N Water Street, and must be returned by 5pm, November 6.

The Village has teamed with Polco, developers of The National Community Survey™ (The NCS™). Along with specific South Elgin questions, the standardized format assures high quality research methods and directly comparable results across all communities who use The NCS surveys. The NCS captures residents' opinions concerning: Economy, Mobility, Community Design, Utilities, Safety, Natural Environment, Parks and Recreation, Health and Wellness, Education, Arts, Culture, Inclusivity and Engagement.

When the compiled results are available later this winter, the responses will assist the Village President, Village Board of Trustees and Village staff to shape, refine and improve operational, strategic, and policy decisions as necessary.

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SPIRIT WEEK AT KWMS!

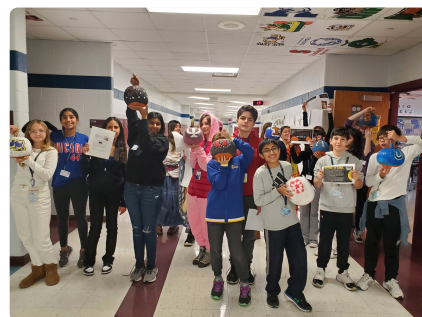
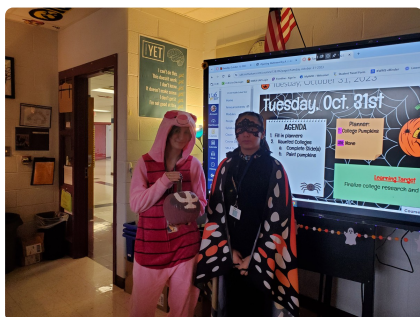






HAUNTED COLLEGES!!!!

7th Grade AVID completed their first research project, Haunted Colleges. In addition to researching colleges that have tales of hauntings, students worked to create painted pumpkins and canva one-pagers.



PUMKIN SHENANIGANS!

8th grade AVID students continue to work on building relational capacity to work cohesively together in groups. While connected together as a group, each student had to individually decorate their own cookie within a limited time.



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FROM THE CREATIVE MINDS OF OUR PANTHERS

This week, Art 2 students finished making cartoons of themselves that emphasized a positive quality about them. They will use these cartoons as inspiration for a future project that utilizes printmaking techniques. Here are two great examples from **Daniella Di Vietro** and **Sara Gosztyla**.



Embracing the Beauty of El Día de los Muertos: A Celebration of Life and Remembrance

By Mrs Febles

As November arrives, so does a cherished Mexican tradition that resonates around the world - El Día de los Muertos, or the Day of the Dead. This vibrant and heartfelt celebration is a time to honor and remember loved ones who have departed, embracing the circle of life with art, culture, and profound respect.

El Día de los Muertos is a fusion of indigenous Aztec beliefs and Catholicism, creating a unique and beautiful celebration that spans from October 31 to November 2nd. Rather than a somber occasion, it's a joyful commemoration, emphasizing the idea that death is a natural part of the human experience.

El Día de los Muertos is also known for its striking imagery, particularly the calaveras, or sugar skulls, and Catrinas, elegantly dressed skeletal figures. These vibrant and intricate works of art symbolize the belief that death is an integral part of the human experience and that it should be embraced with dignity and grace.

El Día de los Muertos is a powerful reminder that the bonds we share with our loved ones transcend the boundaries of life and death. It encourages us to appreciate the impermanence of life and to celebrate the legacy left behind by those who have touched our hearts. May this year's celebration be filled with love, laughter, and cherished memories. ¡Feliz Día de los Muertos!

Abrazando la Belleza de El Día de los Muertos: Una Celebración de la Vida y el Recuerdo

A medida que llega noviembre, también lo hace una querida tradición mexicana que resuena en todo el mundo: El Día de los Muertos. Esta celebración vibrante y sincera es un momento para honrar y recordar a los seres queridos que han partido, abrazando el ciclo de la vida con arte, cultura y profundo respeto.

El Día de los Muertos es una fusión de creencias indígenas aztecas y el catolicismo, creando una celebración única y hermosa que se extiende del 31 de octubre al 2 de noviembre. En lugar de una ocasión sombría, es una conmemoración alegre, enfatizando la idea de que la muerte es una parte natural de la experiencia humana.

El Día de los Muertos también es conocido por su llamativa imaginería, especialmente las calaveras de azúcar y las Catrinas, figuras esqueléticas elegantemente vestidas. Estas obras de arte vibrantes e intrincadas simbolizan la creencia de que la muerte es una parte integral de la experiencia humana y que debe ser abrazada con dignidad y gracia.

El Día de los Muertos es un poderoso recordatorio de que los lazos que compartimos con nuestros seres queridos trascienden las fronteras de la vida y la muerte. Nos anima a apreciar la impermanencia de la vida y a celebrar el legado dejado por aquellos que han tocado nuestros corazones. Que la celebración de este año esté llena de amor, risas y recuerdos queridos. ¡Feliz Día de los Muertos!



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IMPORTANT DATES

- 11/4/23 - Boy's Soccer Tournament at Kenyon Woods
- 11/6/23 - Boy's Basketball vs. Larsen - Away
- 11/6-12/8 - Holiday Spirit wear Sale
- 11/8/23 - Boy's Basketball vs Abbott - Home
- 11/13/23 - Boy's Basketball vs Eastview - Away
- 11/13/23 - PTO Mtg via Zoom - 6:30 pm
- 11/15/23 - Boy's Basketball vs Tefft - Home
- 11/15/23 - No Cook Papa John's
- 11/16/23 - Culture Fest - 3:30 - 6:00 pm
- 11/17/23 - Epic Alr Night Fundraiser
- 11/22 - 11/24 - No School - Thanksgiving Break
- 11/28/23 - Boy's Basketball vs Canton - Away
- 11/29/23 - Boy's Basketball vs Eastview - Home

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Lisa Olsem

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