

KWMS Panther Paws

December 1st, 2023

Message from the Principal

I want to revisit this idea of Kindness and treating others better than we want to be treated. The act of kindness should not be a means to an end, but the reason, in itself. In other words, we should not be kind to others, just because our parents told us to, but because we want to do it to for the sake of others. Acting kindly should be spontaneous. The act should become part of our habit without expecting anything in return. We should be kind because by being so, we are helping others. We have to teach our children that kindness matters. It's important to create a culture where being kind is a priority. It's time to fight back against so much negativity in our society to help our children create a world based on positive interactions rather than hostility. I am challenging myself and everyone else to make kindness your habit each and every day!



Also, as we enter the holiday season and near the end of 2023, 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 occur during Thanksgiving and winter recess, spring recess, 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-46.org/attendance](https://u46.org/attendance).

Have a Peaceful and Kind weekend!

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



BUTTERBRAID FUNDRAISER FROM PTO!

We will be extending the deadline for order until Monday, 12/4. Please use the QR code or the link below (I promise it is the correct one this time) to submit your order on line. You can also have your child turn in the form to the main office.

Please use this one below and register your name and then you can choose your items.


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Any questions, please contact Vicki at vbliven2@yahoo.com/630-247-9534.



BUTTER BRAID PAPER ORDER FORMS WENT HOME!
THIS IS A PASTRY DOUGH THAT RISES AND BAKES INTO A DELICIOUS BREAKFAST OR DESSERT ENTREE. THEY ARE AVAILABLE IN A VARIETY OF FLAVORS.


ORDERS CAN BE MADE ON PAPER FORM WITH CASH OR CHECK TO KENYON WOODS PTO OR ONLINE!



ORDERS ARE DUE: 12/4 (EXTENDED & FINAL DATE)

DELIVERY DATE TO SCHOOL: 12/11
SMALL ORDERS WILL BE SENT HOME WITH STUDENTS.
LARGE ORDERS NEED TO BE PICKED UP BETWEEN 3:30-5:30PM

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR DELIVERY!
HERE'S THE SIGN UP**



Any questions, please contact Vicki at vbliven2@yahoo.com

ATTENTION ALL 7TH GRADERS

All 7th graders will sit down with their counselor at some point next week to review their course selection sheet and input selections for their 8th grade year. Please make sure you have reviewed the course selection sheet with your students so that they are prepared to meet with their counselor. All information and extra documents can be found on the 7th Grade Counseling Cohort Canvas page.

DO YOU LOVE TO READ!

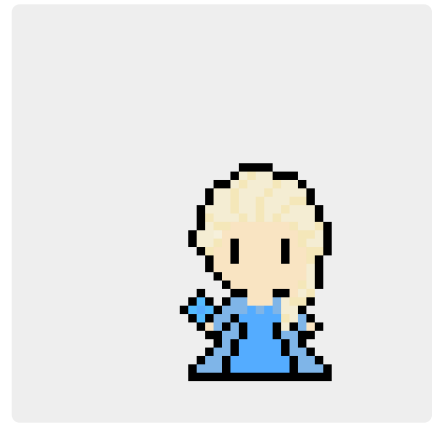
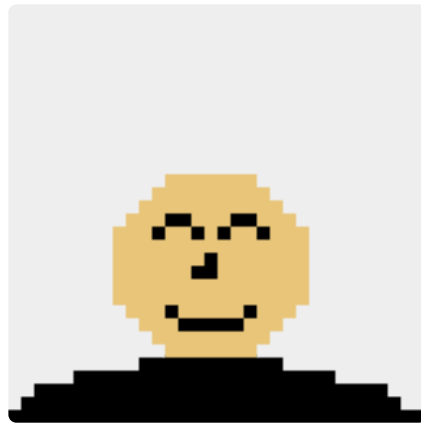
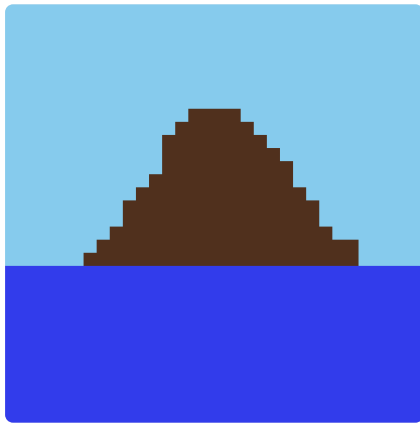


Students, you can still join Book Club! We meet in the Kenyon Woods Library from 3:30 to 5pm. You can get picked up by a guardian or take the activity bus. No need to sign up, just drop in. We will be running this club all school year so jump in anytime. You choose your own books to read and discuss during book club. The library has so many to choose from. There are also snacks, games, and raffles. Please see the Library Lady or Mrs. McCann if you have any questions.

ATTENTION ALL 8TH GRADERS

Next week, Wednesday December 6th, all current 8th graders will receive a presentation from the South Elgin High School counselors during their History class. This presentation will review course selection processes, classes, electives, and high school "lingo" to prepare for their individual meetings within the following weeks.

Students in Intro to Computers are creating some great Animations! They are using piskel animation software including: advanced drawing tools, layers, and multiple frames. The first few tasks focused on Emojis, People, and Nature Scenes



HELPED WANTED!

Help wanted! Come join our cafeteria team! A fun atmosphere with the students and staff! Part time positions available 10:15 - 2:00. Holidays and summers off! Paid sick days and some holidays! If interested, contact Jane Russo, 847-289-6685 ext 2227.

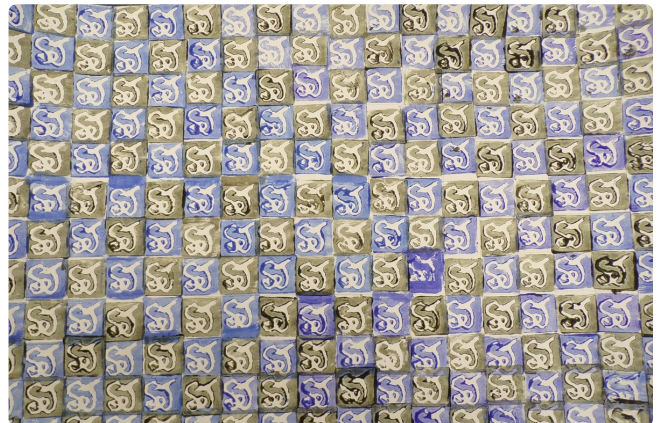
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FROM THE CREATIVE MINDS OF OUR PANTHERS

Art 1 students recently finished their Stamp Print Projects. They learned about the printmaking process and turned their initials into artwork, using erasers as stamps and making pattern artwork. The repetition of their designs made for many interesting works of art and here are two good examples from **Sarah Johnson** and **Addison Stredney**.



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IMPORTANT DATES

- 12/4/23 - Boy's Basketball vs Tefft - Away
- 12/4/23 - Band concert at SEHS
- 12/5/23 - Future Panther Night - 6 pm
- 12/6/23 - Boy's Basketball vs Canton - Home
- 12/7/23 - Future STORM Curriculum Night at SEHS
- 12/13/23 - Orchestra Concert at SEHS
- 12/14/23 - School Dance 6-8 pm
- 12/22/23 - NO SCHOOL - Start of Winter Break

[Link to all 2023/24 KWMS Panther Newsletters](#)



Attendance line: 847-289-6685 Ext: 6654

