# KVMS Panther Paus January 12th, 2024

#### Message from the Principal

Happy snow day everyone! I hope this all finds you safe and warm on this snowy, January day. As we embrace the new semester and the excitement it brings, we are thrilled to reconnect with our wonderful community through another edition of our newsletter. It's our pleasure to share the latest updates, achievements, and highlights from KWMS with you.



In this edition, you'll find a celebration of our students'

accomplishments, insights into upcoming events, and valuable information to enhance your involvement in your child's educational journey. We believe that communication is key to fostering a strong partnership between home and school, and this newsletter serves as a bridge to keep you informed and engaged.

Your support is invaluable, and we look forward to the continued collaboration that makes Kenyon Woods MS a truly special place. Let's embark on this journey together, celebrating growth, learning, and the bonds that make our family so unique.

Thank you for being an essential part of our community. Here's to a fantastic 2024 filled with shared successes and memorable moments!

Take Care Everyone! 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

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JANUARY STUDENT'S OF THE MONTH

Congrats to all the Students of the Month!!! Each month one student is chosen from each of the different departments as their Student of the Month. These students exemplify what it means to Live the Kenyon Way. Teachers are looking for students who are kind, take initiative, go above and beyond in their classes, students who help others in need and students who have positive attitudes.

They Respect Others and Act Responsibly each and every day.

Congratulations to these students for being chosen as the Students of the Month for January!!

Sangini Shah Priyah Echevarria Quinn Forkin Khloe Karikitan Landen Verbeeck Isaac Nieves Desai, Milani Alejandro Forkin Maddie Wende Shayaan (Mohammed) Waheed Orire Salami Isaac Watts

# SAFETY FIRST! DO NOT PARK IN THE PARKING LOT FOR PICK UP!

Parents - when picking up your students after school, please do not park in the lot and ask your student to walk across traffic to get to you. I know the pick up line can be long but the wait is more important than putting your child at risk! We have had several close calls in the last few weeks of students stepping into the path of cars pulling out. Those extra few seconds are not worth the risk! Please pick up your child at the curb each day! If you pull all the way up, the pick up will go smoother. Thank you!

## PARENT UNIVERSITY ~ The Quiet Storm: Anxiety in Tween/Teens

As the number of tween/teens experiencing anxiety and/or depression continues to skyrocket in our culture, we as parents can help our adolescents find emotional well-being by understanding the causes, hidden and not so hidden symptoms, and interventions.

Mark your calendars for **Thursday**, **January 18th at 6:00pm** as Riverview Counseling Services provides a presentation on Anxiety in Tween/Teens at Kenyon Woods Middle School! Light snacks and refreshments will be provided. See you there!



### HOMEWORK CLUB IS BACK!

Homework club will be starting Thursday, January 18th after school from 3:30-5:00 in room A106. Start the semester off right; don't wait, don't procrastinate! Ms. Guzman and Ms. Ventrella will be available for academic and executive functioning support during this time. See you there!

## FROM THE CREATIVE MINDS OF OUR PANTHERS

POSTED ON THE ANDERSON ANIMAL SHELTER FACEBOOK PAGE:

Some talented students from Kenyon Woods Middle School in South Elgin, both 7th and 8th graders, poured their creativity into creating adorable artworks of our adoptable dogs, cats, and small critters. We are incredibly lucky to have such thoughtful and compassionate young artists in our community!

These heartwarming masterpieces will not only put a smile on your face but also help us in promoting our furry friends who are eagerly waiting for their forever homes this holiday season.

A huge thank you to the students for dedicating their time and talent to support our cause. Let's spread the love and compassion this season by sharing these beautiful artworks and helping us connect our animals with their perfect families. Together, we can make this holiday season extra special for our animal friends!

Follow this link to see more pictures:

https://www.facebook.com/AndersonHumaneConnects/posts/pfbid035vm2njPGpE7cNqYACzahye MuK96NR4Civaaaz535Sokke1oaMrMGZ2vyDd7KQW5zl



# CLICK HERE FOR A COPY OF THIS MONTHS CAFETERIA MENU

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

1/15/24 - No School - MLK Day 1/18/24 - Parent University - School Anxiety @ 6 pm 1/23/24 - Girls Basketball Game vs. Ellis @ Home 1/24/24 - Girls Basketball Game vs. Kimball @ Away 1/26/24 - No School - Institute Day 1/29/24 - Girls Basketball Game vs. Larson @ Away 1/31/24 - Girls Basketball Game vs. Abbott @ Home

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