# KWMS Panther Paws

April 5th, 2024

### Message from the Principal

Next week marks the beginning of our IAR testing period. We kindly remind everyone that IAR testing will take place on April 9th, 10th, and 11th, and it is crucial for all students to be present at school on these days. The IAR assessment is designed to evaluate students' proficiency in meeting the Illinois Learning Standards and utilizes high-quality test questions similar to those used in the past. This assessment spans multiple days, encompassing three units in math and two units in English language arts. It is an opportunity for



our students to demonstrate their knowledge and abilities confidently. Additionally, the data gathered from the IAR testing plays a vital role in identifying trends among different student groups, enabling us to provide targeted support and tailor our instruction effectively to ensure every student's success. It is crucial that our students give their best effort and take ample time during the assessment.

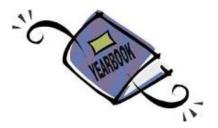
Kenyon Woods holds a proud tradition of excellence that we are dedicated to maintaining. We are proud of our achievements, such as being ranked as the number 1 middle school in the district last year and placing in the top 15% statewide. Building on this success, our aim is to surpass our previous accomplishments this year. Additionally, Eastview Middle School has presented us with a challenge for the top position. To infuse some friendly rivalry into the IAR, we are determined to outperform our middle school competitors, the Wolves of Eastview! We got this Panthers!

With gratitude and warmest wishes,

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!



#### LAST CHANCE TO ORDER A YEARBOOK!

On-line ordering will close on April 11 at midnight to get a yearbook for this year. Clikc on the link below to order your yearbook before it is too late.

Here is the link to order the yearbooks: <a href="https://www.vipis.com/group/f58a5727/kenyon-woods-middle-school-">https://www.vipis.com/group/f58a5727/kenyon-woods-middle-school-</a>



#### **COOKIES FOR SALE**



\$40 for a box of 12

\$20 for a box of 6

\$10 for a box of 3

\$4 per cookie

TO MAKE A DONATION OR PAY FOR COOKIES: Go to my World Vision website https://www.teamworldvision.org/participant/Tammy-Bennett

WHO: Hi, I'm Tammy Bennett (STEM teacher at Kenyon Woods Middle School).

WHAT: I am running a 24-hour relay with Women for Women through Team World Vision, because it is unfathomable to think that 1 in 10 people lack access to clean water or a toilet!

GOAL: to bring clean water to 400 people by raising \$20,000. So, any donation you make will help me smash my goal to get the basic necessity of water to people in need.

NEEDS: Getting running water to women & children. Pregnant women in labor have to carry their own water so there is clean water to deliver their baby. This is unfathomable! Isn't it hard enough to be in labor, let alone worrying about the water to have everything clean? So, it starts at birth. If you are born a female, life is even harder for you. Girls cannot go to school, because they have to carry water to their homes. WHERE: Honduras, Guatemala, Kenya and Zimbabwe WHY: Teaching is my passion; I can't stand the idea that girls cannot go to school, because they need to carry water back and forth to their homes. This is crazy in this day and age. And the water isn't even clean that they bring back for their families to drink! It is water from a mud hole! Every woman and girl deserve a chance! Let's step up, and change the world! We can help others not so fortunate with the basic necessities of life. Please help me by donating so these women & girls have access to clean water. A donation of any amount means we are a step closer to solving the global water crisis.





The cost of a well is around \$1,300 with the help of World Vision. \$50 will help one person get water for life. This well will be located in the village so the girls don't have to walk as far and can go to school and get the education they deserve. These wells will provide running water in birthing centers and running water in schools so the girls can continue to go to school even after maturity.

Chocolate Chip Cookies - \$40 a dozen, \$20 half dozen, \$10 box of 3, or \$4 per cookie



# SAVE THE DATE

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KENYON WOODS MIDDLE SCHOOL

AVID COLLEGE & CAREER GALLERY WALK

5:00 - 6:30 PM

#### 8th GRADE PANORAMIC PICTURES ARE COMING!

It is time for the Kenyon Woods Annual 8th Grade Panoramic Picture. The picture will be taken on April 26th in our Gymnasium. The picture will be available for purchase. More details on purchasing this picture to follow.

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

#### **MENU CHANGE FOR NEXT WEEK!**

Due to IAR testing next week, the lunch menu will change. Thursday will be Pizza Day! Cheese, Pepperoni or Buffalo Chicken pizzas and Friday will be Loaded Nachos & Cheese Quesadillas.

#### FROM THE CREATIVE MINDS OF OUR PANTHERS!

Art 3 students have finished their Landscape Drawings in color and now they are ready to move on to painting their designs on canvas. They learned about how to recreate a landscape image and

create a correct composition. Here are two very colorful and interesting examples from **Kyleigh Karikitan** and **Daniella Di Vietro**:







CLICK HERE FOR A COPY OF THIS MONTHS CAFETERIA MENU

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

4/8/24 - Solar Eclipse - 2:00 pm

4/9 - 4/11 - IAR Testing

4/8/24 - Boys Volleyball vs Eastview @ Away

4/10/24 - Boys Volleyball vs Tefft @ Home

4/15/24 - Boys Volleyball vs Canton @ Away

4/16/24 - AVID Gallery Walk - 5:00 - 6:30 PM

4/17/24 - Boys Volleyball vs Eastview@ Home

4/22/24 - Boys Volleyball vs Tefft @ Away

4/24/24 - Boys Volleyball vs Canton @ Home

5/2/24 - 8th Grade Dance - 6 pm

5/8/24 - Orchestra Concert

5/9/24 - Chorus Concert

5/11/24 - Girls Soccer Game

5/15/24 - Band Concert

5/24/24 - 8th Grade Trip to Main Event

5/29/24 - 8th Grade Recognition - 6 pm

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