

KMS October Newsletter 2019



Students of the Month

Congratulations to Morgan Lyons, Sara Horner, Wyatt Melvin & Bill Wilkinson. These students received a McDonald's gift card compliments of PTO. Thanks for being great leaders at KMS!

8th Grade News

The 8th grade students participated in the annual DC Walk-a-thon during activity period and walked a total of 5 miles (20 laps) during the fundraiser. Students raised over \$6,500 during the event to help with the cost of their trip. We will be doing our annual raffle in November as the 2nd fundraiser for the DC trip.

7th grade News

Seventh grade students will be going to Camp Heartland in Marengo, Ohio on April 29 - May 1, 2020. This year's trip will be open to all 7th graders with exceptions. We reserve the right to refuse to take any student whom we feel would not participate and behave properly based upon experience at school. Please support us and help us to emphasize the importance of academic responsibility and good behavior at school so that your child can enjoy the Heartland Camp experience. Our goal is that every student will be able to experience this opportunity. At a later date, we will have an informational meeting with an administrator from the Heartland Outdoor School. The cost of the trip is \$155. We will be having a raffle in early 2020 to help offset the cost. Each student will have the opportunity to sell tickets and receive 100% of the profit. Thank you for your cooperation and support of our field trip. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Leadership at KMS

The staff at KMS would like to thank all those who supported us in purchasing from the KONA ice truck at last week's Homecoming game. We raised over \$250 and appreciate you synergizing with us! Follow us on Twitter and Facebook (#KMSWednesdayWisdom) for "Leader in Me" inspired wisdom. Also, be watching for information about a social media contest (#LeadersofKMS) coming in November.

Dates to Remember

- 10-1 7th grade Hearing Screenings
- 10-2 Teen Screen
- 10-2 #KMSWednesdayWisdom begins
- 10-4 Fall Pep Rally
- 10-14 NO SCHOOL Staff PD
- 10-16 Two Hour Early Release
- 10-18 End of First Nine Weeks
- 10-18 Picture Retake Day
- 10-28 through 11-1 Red Ribbon Week
- 11-1 #LeadersofKMS Contest begins
- 11-6 Two Hour Early Release
- 11-6 & 11-7 Parent Teacher Conferences
- 11-7 & 11-8 NO SCHOOL



Red Ribbon Week: "Send a message, stay drug free."

Red Ribbon Week is used as a way of taking a stand for our hopes and dreams through making a commitment of saying "NO" to drugs and alcohol. KMS will be celebrating Red Ribbon Week on October 28-November 1 with a different drug free dress theme each day, an essay contest and a door decorating contest. All students are invited to participate in a week of spirit to celebrate their choice to be DRUG FREE. More information will be coming soon!

7th Grade Science News

Students are off to a great start in Science this year. We've been busy studying the water cycle. Our



classes built water filters recently and found that those built using charcoal were the most efficient filters. We brought home test strips that measured the amounts of different metals and substances in our water. We are now reading and writing about algae blooms and how serious they can be. Parents, you and your child can find out what we are doing each day in class, what is due and when tests and quizzes are by having them check the email called "Weekly Assignments". If your child is absent, they can read and find out what was missed.

Student Council News

Newly elected Student Government President and Vice President Emily Pees and Sean Kuhlman have been busy organizing their cabinet, forming committees and bringing members into the committees. Adrienne Frey is the student government secretary and Trenton Rogers is the treasurer. There are a total of thirty 8th grade members in student government and a 7th grade leadership committee is being organized to involve the 7th grade.

Committees that were formed are: NJHS, Recycling, Fundraising, Charity/Service, Wildcat/Spirit, Intramurals, Building/Grounds, Event/Dance, and Promotion. The student government's committees are in the planning stages of many things including an October Halloween Dance. More information will be sent home with the students in the next couple of weeks about the dance.

Cafeteria News

Please remember to check cafeteria balances often! A week's worth of lunches is \$14.25. Free and reduced applications are still available and can be filled out at any time.



Congratulations to our KMS Band students for a wonderful Homecoming performance! Our 7th and 8th graders joined forces with the High School Band to perform during halftime and in the stands throughout the game. They looked and sounded amazing!

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Supporting *The Leader in Me* Initiative

We are often asked how parents can support their school's leadership initiative. Each time we are asked we give the same answer "Use the 7 Habits language at home."

As the school year unfolds, the children are learning the language and meaning of the 7 Habits. By hearing the same language at home and at school, you send the children a strong message of what you believe is important and that we are all on the same team—the team that wants to help succeed. When parents and schools support one another, the sky is the limit!

Below is a summary of each of the habits:

Habit 1: Be Proactive (You're in Charge)

Habit 2: Begin With the End in Mind (Have a Plan)

Habit 3: Put First Things First (Work First, Then Play)

Habit 4: Think Win-Win (Everyone Can Win)

Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood (Listen Before You Talk)

Habit 6: Synergize (Together Is Better)

Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw (Balance Feels Best)