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CKMS
Students of the Week
 January 19-23, 2009

6th Grade

Douglas Schuett*

Kennedy McCann*

Madison Jones

Malisa Aumaium

Taylor Cays

Madison Brown

Olivia Doherty

7th Grade

Delaney Hollis*

Matt Callfas*

Randall Clark

Jason Edwards

Carnival Tonight. . .

Dear CKMS Parents,

It was an historic week at Chief Kanim Middle School. We began Tuesday with a video tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Students completed a footprint activity where they stated what they hoped would be their legacy. Following the MLK video, we aired the live broadcast of the Presidential Inauguration. The students really were focused on the event. Many classes followed up with some meaningful dialog.

Tonight is our annual Winter Carnival; we hope you are able to attend this fun community event. It is from 6-8 pm with free admission. Booths will take tickets that can be purchased at the door. The PTSA will be selling food and beverages during the event. They will also be selling raffle tickets that will take place around 7:40 pm.

The District has made decisions regarding the make up days; please see article below. Most importantly, beginning NEXT FRIDAY we will implement a full day schedule, versus the early release schedule. From January 30 through April 3, we will dismiss at 2:23 pm on Fridays.

Today you will be able to use your family access account to check on updated student grades. I encourage you to monitor and discuss your child's progress during the school year. If you have questions about assignments or grades, please contact the teachers directly. Remember you can also track lunch accounts and attendance on your family access account.

Next week our Learning Improvement Team will be focusing on our building goals and action plans. Today during our building directed day we will have a presentation from Joel Aune about the upcoming bond, a presentation about a possible Character Education Curriculum, and a report from our staff that attended the recent OSPI conference.

We hope you have a safe and fun-filled weekend.

Kirk Dunckel, Principal

Next Week in Sports...

Third Quarter Sports begin Monday, January 26. Be sure your student has a current physical on file. Forms are available in the Quick Links. Schedules have been updated on our web site [Athletics](#)

6th Grade Girls Soccer will begin Monday, February 2.

District News

Make Up Days: click [here](#) to read the School Board's decisions regarding our Make-Up Days. . .

Bond Election Info: A Snoqualmie Valley school bond for \$27.5 million will appear on the March 10, 2009 election ballot. Please refer to this

Kacie Simpson

8th Grade

Ashley Jackson*

Davis Glass*

Christian Dewey*

Wyatt Carlson

Shelby Deluca

Max Kenagy

Tyler Conn

** indicates winners*

Join Our Mailing List!

BOND FLYER. The upcoming bond prioritizes the most urgent needs - critical repairs and safety upgrades to existing schools and relief to crowding at Mount Si High School. It also keeps costs low in light of our current economy. This bond provides a first-step solution that addresses immediate needs which cannot wait, while long-term planning for future enrollment growth continues. Visit www.svsd410.org for more facts about this important bond and how to register to vote.

Winter Carnival

Winter Carnival & Raffle

Friday, January 23rd 6:00-8:00pm CKMS

Admission is Free!

Booth Tickets 25 cents each or 5 for \$1

Carnival-Style Booths - Food - Raffle Prizes
 Winter Carnival is a fun-filled event for the entire community

~
 Children of all ages are welcome



Musical Auditions

"Once on This Island" May 7-9, 2009

***Informational Meeting, Thursday, January 29 2:30-4:15**

***Auditions** will be held February 28, 2009 from 9:00-12:00. Students will be singing and dancing at this audition. Plan to sing a song from the show, depending on the role for which you are auditioning. A call back list will be posted at 12:00. Call backs will begin at 1:00. If you are not called back, you will still be in the show but we are not considering you for a lead role at this time. If you need to make another audition appointment, please see Mrs. Hancock. Your audition will need to take place before February 28.



***Call Backs** will be held Saturday, February 28, 2009 from 1:00-4:00. At callbacks you will be asked to read for a certain role or roles.

***The Cast List** will be emailed on Saturday night before 9:00.

*There will be a **mandatory Cast/Parent Meeting** on Monday, March 2 at 5:30 p.m. Each cast member must be represented by a parent,

guardian or other responsible person. At this meeting, cast members and parents will receive information about rehearsals and procedures. Parents and guardians will sign up to volunteer in at least one area.

How to Audition:

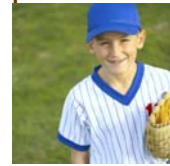
1. Decide on a role or roles you would like to play
2. Pick up the music and CD for the audition song for that role from Mrs. Hancock
3. Show up on time, dressed appropriately, with confidence and ready to do your best.
4. Questions? Email Mrs. Hancock at hancockl@svsd410.org or call/text (425) 233-4452.

[Cast List](#) [Participation Form](#) [Rehearsal Schedule](#)

Little League

Fall City Little League Registration is now open!

Online Registration at www.FallsLL.org - deadline for ages 9-14 is February 8.



Can't register online? Click [here](#) for more information.

Parenting Tips

What do teens think when their families condone, overlook, disregard or excuse their alcohol, tobacco or other drug use?

Parents, where do you draw the line or have you? Families without a clear no-use policy may leave their teens thinking one of two things: either their families condone alcohol, tobacco or other drug use (ATOD) or their families don't care what they do.

Some families think they don't need to talk to their teen about ATOD use because it's somehow implied or just understood that it's not tolerated. Others simply don't want to believe their teens do use. "It's not uncommon, says Phoebe Terhaar, Prevention/Intervention Specialist for the district, for parents to think that if they used as a teen they can't turn around and then ask their teen not to use. Parents not only underestimate the influence they still do have over their teen's decisions about drug use and other risky behaviors, but also underestimate their teen's actual level of involvement."

Several recent surveys suggest just that. Parent perceptions regarding amount and frequency of alcohol use vs teens reporting having drunk at least once in the past year definitely show us the disconnect. In grades 8 and especially in 10, parent perceptions vs teens reported use show a 32% and 35% spread. That's a lot of room for trouble, and a lot of time without intervention.

No one ever says parenting a teen is easy. Knowing the current research on adolescent brain development, how teens can be involved in setting clear expectations and consequences and how to use that influence in ways that keep the family bonds strong all prove to be effective in creating healthy behaviors. Parents play such a critical role when it comes to shaping and influencing teen behaviors.

What Parents Can Do

- * Set a clear No Use policy in your family.
- * Identify consequences for not only violating but for following the family expectations as well.
- * Keep an open dialogue and establish regular times to talk about concerns.
- * Know your children's friends and their parent's attitudes towards ATOD use.
- * Enlist the support of other parents to strengthen monitoring and communication for your children and their friends. For more information on what parents can do go to: <http://family.samhsa.gov/>

PTSA News

The annual Winter Carnival and Raffle is TONIGHT! Let's make these events a big success for our students and school!!

Bring your family and invite your friends to Carnival!



(click logo to go to PTSA web site)

Magazine Fundraiser Online

Did you know. . . . you can participate in our school fundraiser anytime throughout the year?

Simply go to www.QSP.com, click on "shop now", and use our school code 425053314. These magazines and CD's not only make great gifts, but you will be supporting CKMS ASB, too!



January-February 2009 Events

Thursday, January 29 - Drama meeting after school

Friday, February 6 - PTSA Dance 7-9 p.m.

Tuesday, February 10 - Scoliosos Checks

Mid Winter Break February 16 - 20

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