

Chief Kanim Middle School E-letter

April 24, 2009



CKMS finishes WASL.....

Dear CKMS Parents,

Chief Kanim Middle School completed WASL testing this week. The students did an amazing job of staying focused during each test this year. In speaking with the students many felt they did a good job on the tests. We should get results back in mid August and will be passing on your child's scores to you in September. We will use the results from these tests to focus our instruction on best meeting the needs of our students. I would personally like to thank our PTSA parent group for purchasing our testing snacks again this year. The students and staff enjoyed them during the testing breaks.

We would also like to thank the Fall City Market for donating the ice cream and toppings for our Coin Drive reward to the winning homebase classes. They all enjoyed the treat.

As you may know the school board approved the 4.1 million dollar budget reductions for next year. The area of middle level sports has been a hot topic among parents this week. The board is looking at a reduction of \$300,000 in middle level sports programs. However, it did ask the district to continue to work on ways to save the sports programs from cuts by coming up with ways to generate the \$300,000 needed to run the programs. We hope to finalize a plan by the end of the school year so parents and students will know what to expect next year for the sports programs.

With just nine weeks left in this school year we still have many things to accomplish. I ask that you continue to monitor your child's progress through the online grade access and the teacher share point sites. We want all students to have a successful end to the school year.

Our track and drama programs are nearing the time to begin meets and productions. We have 93 students on our track team and about 40 students participating in the drama production, Once on This Island. The 8th grade band class is on a trip to Oregon to perform this weekend. They left yesterday and all were very excited for this trip.

Remember that beginning next week we will be having our grade level Recognition Ceremonies. 6th grade will be on April 28th, 7th grade on April 29th, and 8th grade will be on April 30th. All ceremonies will start at 1:45p.

As the temperatures begin to change please monitor your child's dress attire to school. Pay close attention to really low neck lines and short skirts and shorts. We know it is challenging with today's clothing styles but we do have a dress code that is outlined in the student handbook.

Kirk Dunckel
Principal

This Week In Sports. . .

First Track meet is THURSDAY, APRIL 30. HOME meet versus Mercer Island (7/8 grades only). Meet begins at 3:30.

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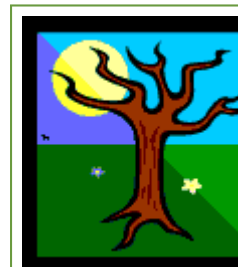
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Students of the Week

6th Grade

Eleni Trull*
 Andrew Schmitt*
 Emily Keene
 Dakota Bethell
 Brady Thomas

7th Grade

Maddie Dai*
 Leah Corra*
 Will Sanctis
 Alex Dolewski
 Sean Collins



Drama Tickets On Sale!

This year's musical Production is "Once on this Island", May 7,8, & 9. *"Once on This Island is a one-act musical with a book and lyrics by Lynn Ahrens and music by Stephen Flaherty. Based on the novel My Love, My Love by Rosa Guy, the musical is a retelling of Hans Christian Andersen's The Little Mermaid set in the French Antilles in the Caribbean Sea."* - Wikipedia

RESERVED SEATING ticket order forms are available in the school office beginning April 27. Individual tickets are \$8 each, \$50 for packet of 8. Due to reserved seating absolutely no refunds or exchanges are possible. Please be sure payment is attached to your order form.

Show times: May 7 & 8 - 7:00p.m. May 9 - 3:00 p.m. and 7:00p.m.



SPRING PICTURES SENT HOME TODAY

Spring Pictures were distributed to the students today. These pictures are for your approval. If you choose to keep any or all of the photos, please remit payment to the school office (envelopes included in the packet). If you decide you do not want the photos, please return the entire packet.

Photos or payment should be received in the school office by May 15.

PTSA News

Nominate an Outstanding Educator (deadline TODAY)

The PTSA Outstanding Educator Award was created to recognize individuals who have provided outstanding educational opportunities for children and youth that are beyond the normal scope of their jobs.

Do you know of a CKMS teacher or staff member who fits this description? If so, please nominate them now by filling out this short online [Outstanding Educator Nomination Form](#). You can nominate more than one educator (just follow the link again for each additional nomination).

Nominate an Outstanding PTSA Volunteer (TODAY)

Each year CKMS PTSA recognizes an individual whose exemplary dedication to children surpasses the norm with the **Golden Acorn Award**. This award is given to a volunteer who serves not only the PTSA, but also CKMS, the district, and the

Ben Evensen
Eric Perkins

8th Grade
Abby McLauchlin
Brian Harris*
Sam Isen
Dane Raymond
Jacob Read
Lauren Smith
Delaney Aydel
Daniele Curley
Joey Krein

*indicates winner



community.

Do you know of a volunteer who fits this description? If so, please nominate them now by filling out this short online [Outstanding PTSA Volunteer Nomination Form](#). You can nominate more than one volunteer (just follow the link again for each additional nomination).

The Healthy Youth Forum
Monday, May 11, 2009
7:00 p.m.-8:45 p.m.
Mount Si High School Commons

FEATURED SPEAKERS:

Joel Aune, Superintendent of Snoqualmie Valley School District
 Kevin Haggerty, Social Development Research Group
 Jan-Olov Johansson, PhD
 MSHS Students, Leading the way for positive change in our Valley

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Lots of PRIZES
 Worthwhile discussion and information guaranteed

Earn \$\$\$ for CKMS PTSA when you shop online!

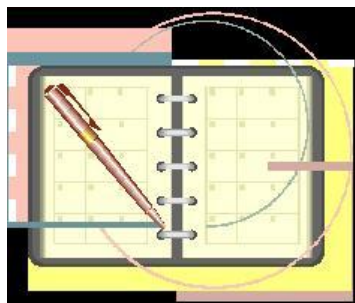
Shop at over 1,000 of your favorite online merchants - right from the CKMS PTSA website - and we earn up to 16% of the purchase amount! Some of the merchants are ebay, Amazon.com, Apple, Nordstrom, Barnes & Noble, Best Buy and Home Depot.

- Click on the eScrip logo on our website, then go to The Online Mall
 - Sign in to your eScrip account or shop anonymously
 - Choose from over 1,000 participating retailers
 - CKMS PTSA earns contributions automatically!

Please think of CKMS before you shop online - it's free to you and valuable for our students.



(click on logo for PTSA web site)



Important Dates. . .

WASL testing continues through April 30

Tuesday, April 28 ~ 6th Grade Recognition Ceremony, 1:45 p.m.

Wednesday, April 29 ~ 7th Grade Recognition Ceremony, 1:45 pm

Thursday, April 30 ~ 8th Grade Recognition Ceremony at 1:45 pm

Thursday, May 7 ~ 7th Grade Field Trip to Kirkland Performing Arts

Center

Thursday, May 7 ~ Band Festival

Tuesday, May 12 ~ 8th Grade Field Trips to Burke Museum and Pacific Science Center

Tuesday, May 12 ~ Choir Festival

Thursday, May 14 ~ Bullying Assembly

End of Year Events:

All School BBQ Lunch & Yearbook Distribution ~ Monday, June 22

8th Grade Celebration ~ Monday, June 22 ~ 7 pm Main Gym. More information will be available as the date approaches.

Field Trip Day ~ Tuesday, June 23 ~ All Grade Levels. 8th Wildwaves, 7th Woodland Park Zoo, 6th Skate King

Last Day of Classes ~ Wednesday, June 24 ~ EARLY RELEASE (approx 11 am)

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