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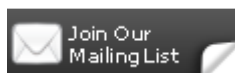
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### Stay in the Know!



### Live Band event for the whole family tonight...

For the first time, CKMS is partnering with the PTSA to provide what promises to be a fun-filled family evening event tonight. There will be a live band called Crème Tangerine playing Beatles songs. This band is referred to as a cover band. The event starts at 7p and it costs \$5 a person to get in. We hope that you and your kids will make time to attend this live band event.

By now all registered voters have received their bond ballots. Please make sure you vote and mail it in. Our school has a lot at stake in the results of this bond election. If you or you know of others who have questions concerning this bond I strongly encourage you to look over the information found on the district website regarding this bond initiative.

We began our final quarter this week. The teachers and kids came back from Spring Break ready to get back to the business of teaching and learning. You can view the term three grades online using the Family Access site. The recognition ceremony will be held April 29<sup>th</sup>. Invitations will be mailed home next week.

The state MSP tests for our students will begin the first week of May. The testing schedule is linked for you in the weekly parent emails. Please make a note of your child's testing days and make sure they get a good night's sleep, breakfast, and are not pulled out of school on those days.

We had a very strong turn-out for our track program this week. Our golf club will begin in May and students can pick up forms in the main office about this club. The Key Club is collecting backpacks to give to the homeless in Seattle. They have an outing

### Students of the Week

#### 6th GRADE

Bella Richter De Medeiros\*  
Zach Finkley  
Marcus McGown-Brehm  
Riley Ovall

#### 7th Grade

Makayla Guse\*  
Matt Coleman\*  
Nicole Clabaugh

#### 8th GRADE

Natalie Gunn\*  
Nicholas Yotz\*  
Cheneau Mitchell

\* indicates winner

planned to go to Seattle to feed and pass out the backpacks to the homeless this month.

I have begun visiting elementary schools this month to provide information to incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students about Chief Kanim Middle School. It is always fun to go meet future CKMS students and see their excitement and answer their questions.

This week our bands held a concert in our main gym. The place was packed and the audience was treated to some great music provided by our grade level bands. I am so proud of our top rate music program here at Chief Kanim Middle School.

Enjoy your weekend,

*Kirk Dunckel, Principal*

### CKMS Sports

## CKMS SPORTS

Full Schedules on the [web site](#).  
[Directions](#) to away games.

### *First Track Meet:*

*Thursday, April 28 @ Tolt, 3:30 pm, 7th & 8th Grade only. Parent pick up approximately 5:30.*

[Physical Form](#) [Code of Conduct](#)

[Concussion Form](#)

*Wildcat Football Boosters invites incoming Freshmen Parents to an informational meeting Monday, April 18, 6:30 - 8 PM, high school commons. (parents only please)*



### Spring Pictures

SPRING PICTURES WERE PASSED OUT TODAY

Please look over the packet of pictures. Parents

**\$\$ REMINDERS**

CKMS Finance Window now accepts **Visa/Mastercard** !

You may pay student fees, field trips, purchase yearbooks, sports fees, etc. with a Visa/Mastercard credit card.

If you call in a payment, a \$1.50 processing fee will be assessed.

**FOOD SERVICE only takes credit card payments online through Family Access.**

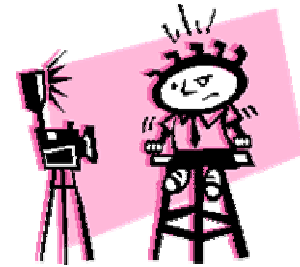
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**CKMS PE Sweats** are available in the office, quantity & sizing limited. If we don't have your size, it can be ordered (2 week turn around).

Hooded Sweatshirt \$15  
Crewneck Sweashirt \$10  
Sweatpant \$11



can purchase the full package, a portion of the package, or no pictures at all.



The money and the unpurchased pictures need to be returned to your student's **FIRST PERIOD TEACHER** by Friday, April 29th.

**Bond Facts**

The Snoqualmie Valley School Board of Directors voted unanimously to place the school bond proposition on the upcoming April 26 King County elections ballot. The final outcome of our past bond was just **one vote** shy of the 60% supermajority required in Washington State to pass a school bond election.

Click [here](#) for **factual information** regarding the April 26 School Bond Proposition.

If this bond is approved, it will preserve three middle schools in our district. The replacement middle school would open in the fall of 2013 (at the same time the Freshman Learning Center opens.) All students in grades 6-8 will continue to experience their middle school education via three smaller school environments that are currently in place.

If the bond is not approved, all middle school students and staff in our district would need to be divided between two schools by the fall of 2013, since the Freshman Learning Center will still open then. By 2013, student enrollment at Twin Falls Middle School and Chief Kanim Middle School would exceed the capacities of those buildings in the first year, so modular units would need to be added for classroom space. The larger numbers of students at both schools would also impact the schools' common areas (cafeteria, gym, library, hallways, lockers, etc.) --some of you may recall similar conditions prior to Twin Falls opening in 2008.

This bond is needed now to prepare for the larger classes currently in grades 3-5 in our system that will be advancing to middle school in two years (2013). It takes two years to build a middle school, and student enrollment projections show grades 6-8 exceeding the capacities of the two schools and continuing to grow each year thereafter.

**PTSA CORNER**

## Activity Blitz

The Spring Activity Blitz will be happening during lunches on Wednesday April 20<sup>th</sup>. Students can browse the tables and learn what summer programs are being offered at local organizations, from music groups to art lessons, dance and sports camps. Parents are also welcome to drop in during lunch time and check out the programs. If you know of a group that may want to attend the activity blitz, please contact Jennifer Curd at 425-222-7287 or [kjcurd@comcast.net](mailto:kjcurd@comcast.net)

## It's Nomination Time!

Please take a few minutes to fill out the nomination forms for the [Outstanding Educator Award](#) and the [PTSA Golden Acorn Award](#).

The Outstanding Educator Award was created to recognize individuals who have provided outstanding educational opportunities for students that are beyond the normal scope of their jobs. The Golden Acorn is a PTSA award that recognizes volunteer service at CKMS. This person has demonstrated an outstanding personal commitment to improving the lives of our students during the year.

You can print and fill out the documents and return them to the office PTSA box, or you can email Jennifer Curd your nomination information at [kjcurd@comcast.net](mailto:kjcurd@comcast.net)

Blank forms are also in the office.

Nomination forms are due Friday, April 22.

### **Summer School**

Preparations for [Summer School 2011](#) are well under way! The attached document provides program and registration information that may be helpful for students and families.

**Attn: Incoming 5th Grade Parents**

**CKMS 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night**  
**Wednesday, June 1, 2011**  
**7:00 PM**

**This meeting is for parents only. Students will visit at another time.**

HI-C Language Arts: At CKMS 6th, 7th and 8th grade students are placed in grade level Language Arts classes covering the same material. Students choosing to be in HI-C may be given a different form of the assignment evaluated with a HI C rubric. The Hi-C assignments and rubric will be explained at Curriculum Night in the fall by the Language Arts teacher.

6th grade Math Placement: At the beginning of the school year all 6th grade students will be put in average math classes. During the first week of school, they will take a math placement test. Teachers will then compile the following Criteria for each student which consists of: Spring MSP test score, Spring 5th grade math assessment score, 5th grade COGAT Quantitative Score, & 6th grade Fall placement test score. Total point from tests will be reviewed and placement will be made. CKMS will have two advanced 6th grade classes. For students that are coming from out of district or out of state, we will review data they enter CKMS with.

### **Community E-Flyers**

Visit E-Flyers on the District's website, or [click here](#), to learn about local community-sponsored and school-sponsored activities for students. Sign up for email alerts about new postings, or check back regularly for new information. Here are just a few of the most recent flyers:

[Snoqualmie Valley Youth Soccer Association Registration](#)

[WSU Summer Reading Skills Programs](#) ! NEW

[Mountains to Sound Greenway presents Summer Camps, 2011](#)

### **CKMS CONTACT INFORMATION**

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