UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST

JANUARY
Friday, 1/22  End of Semester 1
Monday, 1/25  NO SCHOOL - Professional Development
Tuesday, 1/26  Start of Semester 2:
               Schedule changes for most 6th and 7th graders

FEBRUARY
Monday, 2/1   7:00 p.m.  KMMS Band Pops Concert 1—KMMS Large Gym
Tuesday, 2/2   7:00 p.m.  KMMS Band Pops Concert 2—KMMS Large Gym
Thursday, 2/4  3:30 p.m.  Girls Volleyball @ New Berlin Eisenhower
Tuesday, 2/9   3:30 p.m.  Yearbook Photos (club & activity group photos)
                        Girls Volleyball @ New Berlin West
Wednesday, 2/10 9:00 a.m.  PTO Parent Coffee
Thursday, 2/11  3:30 p.m.  Girls Volleyball @ Burlington Orange
Friday, 2/12  6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  KMMS Winter Dance
Monday, 2/15  5:30 & 7:00 p.m.  5th Grade Student/Parent Orientation
Tuesday, 2/16  2:40 – 3:30 p.m.  Student Senate
               3:30 p.m.  Girls Volleyball vs Nature Hill
Thursday, 2/18  3:30 p.m.  Girls Volleyball vs Pewaukee Black
Tuesday, 2/23  3:30 p.m.  Girls Volleyball @ Park View Blue
Thursday, 2/25  3:30 – 7:30 p.m.  Parent/Teacher Conferences
               3:30 p.m.  Girls Volleyball @ Burlington Black
Friday, 2/26  7:00 – 11:00 a.m.  Parent/Teacher Conferences
                                                      NO SCHOOL
Monday, 2/29  7:00 p.m.  All District String Festival—KMHS Auditorium

Every Wednesday, we will follow the advisory schedule

Forensics practices every Tuesday from 2:45 – 4:00 p.m.

Math Counts meets most Mondays and Wednesdays after school until 4:00 p.m.

Media Club meets every Monday after school until 4:00 p.m.

Open Art Studio meets every Wednesday 2:40-4:00 p.m. in the Art Rooms
- Information about school-sponsored sports, clubs, and other after school activities can be found on the activities area of our website: [http://www.kmsd.edu/Middleschool.cfm?subpage=967686](http://www.kmsd.edu/Middleschool.cfm?subpage=967686)
- Be sure you are opted in to receive daily announcements! Click [here](http://www.kmsd.edu/Middleschool.cfm?subpage=967686) to opt-in or update your settings
- The literature rack (located in the student services office) contains information on non-school sponsored activities such as music lessons and classes at facilities outside school. A list of current information is at the end of this document.

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**ARE YOU OPTED IN FOR DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS?**

We're so pleased if you are among the many who keep up with our daily announcements. As you may have heard, our website and the way our messages are delivered is being revamped. Because of the transition, you will not have daily announcements sent directly to you next week, but announcements will be accessible on the new website. Those who are opted in will again receive daily announcements beginning the following week.

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**A NEW SEMESTER STARTS ON TUESDAY**

Most 6th and 7th graders will have a change in their schedules starting on Tuesday. Schedules are available on the Infinite Campus portal. Please remind your child to print and bring their new schedule to school on Tuesday.

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**STEM/CODERS CLUB**

This club has two different STEM related options for students: computer programming and designing/building. This club meets Tuesdays and Wednesdays until 4:00 pm. Please view [this video](http://www.kmsd.edu/Middleschool.cfm?subpage=967686) by Mr. Gutbrod for more info. [Here](http://www.kmsd.edu/Middleschool.cfm?subpage=967686) is the link to a sign up form.

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**CHECK OUT THIS PROJECT**

KMMS grade students who participated in VEX Robotics Club have made a short Star Wars-themed film, and KMMS orchestra students played music for the credits. This was a completely student-conceived and produced project. Watch it [here](http://www.kmsd.edu/Middleschool.cfm?subpage=967686). More info about the project and what the students did can be found on the Youtube description.

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**ATTENTION 5TH GRADE FAMILIES**

Mark your calendar for Monday, February 15th beginning at 5:30 p.m. Join us at Kettle Moraine Middle School to learn about your choices for next year.

When you arrive, principals Michael Comiskey and Laura Lloyd will provide an overview for the evening and give you directions for other places in our school to visit and learn.

The format for the rest of the evening will be somewhat open, with opportunities to see periodic short presentations about your child's choices for learning environments for next year. Many of our teachers will be here. There will be opportunities for questions and answers between presentations.
There also will be staff members here to help you learn about the following:

- Music teachers will discuss middle school band, orchestra, and choir.
- Special education teachers will be here to discuss programming for students with special needs.
- School counselors will discuss the registration process and the student services we provide.
- Our technology experts will explain the Technology Partnership Program, our program for student Chromebook use and ownership.
- Our KMMS PTO friends will be here to tell you how parents are involved in the life of our school.

Our evening will end at 8:00 p.m. - plenty of time to see our newly renovated spaces and begin your middle school journey.

Special note: there will be an opportunity to visit us during the school day the following Monday and Tuesday (2/22 and 2/23) if you would like to see our school in action. Information on that will be coming soon.

Questions? Call us at (262) 965-6500 or email Mr. Comiskey at comiskem@kmsd.edu

See you February 15th!

**DISTRICT INFORMATION**

**NEW DISTRICT & SCHOOL WEBSITES COMING NEXT WEEK**

Next week the Kettle Moraine School District will be launching a new website for the District and each school. The new design will feature a cleaner look, unique top navigation for each site, icon-based quick links and more social media integration. It will also be responsive on any mobile device. [Click here to get a sneak peek at the new website!](#)

**PARENTS UNITED**

'What Behaviors Can Be Expected, (Knowing the Difference Between a Serious Problem and the Typical Behaviors of Childhood/Adolescence)' with Robert Peyton, PhD, BCBA-D, of Madison Behavioral Psychology. This seminar will be held Wednesday, February 10, 2016 from 9am-11:30am at the Country Springs Hotel & Conference Center, Golf Road, Pewaukee. Please email ediescott1950@zoho.com if you are interested in attending. This is a free workshop for all KMSD faculty, families and community members. To view details, [click here.](#)

**COMMUNITY EDUCATION**

**MODERATE YOGA-AFTER SCHOOL**

In this class we will explore a mindful approach to yoga postures, alignment, breath, meditation and relaxation. Appropriate for beginners or those who have some experience-modifications will be given to varying levels. For further course information please visit [www.kmsd.edu/communityed](http://www.kmsd.edu/communityed)

**SPRING DECO MESH WREATH**

Come join us for a Spring Project to chase the winter blues away. During this hands-on workshop each participant will craft a spring wreath using Deco Mesh and Decorative Ribbon. The Spring colors of Lavender, Yellow, Green and Turquoise will be used
along with spring colored wire ribbon. Workshop leader will guide you through Step by Step simple Instructions to create your wreath masterpiece. No craft experience necessary. All supplies are included (Wreath base, Deco Mesh & Ribbon) You will walk away with a completed 25" Spring Wreath for your door or wall. Plus your friends and family will be amazed that you made it yourself!
Registration form can be found online at www.kmsd.edu/communityed in the course guide.

NEW ONLINE FLYER WEBPAGE - EVENTS & ACTIVITIES IN THE KETTLE MORAINE COMMUNITY

Check out our new online flyer page for community events and activities. These events are not sponsored by the Kettle Moraine School District but have been approved by the Community Education Office for sharing with the Kettle Moraine Community.

Community Education registration forms and further details can be found online at www.kmsd.edu/communityed

FLYERS AVAILABLE

There is information on the racks in the student services office about these non-school sponsored activities:

- KM Youth Ski & Board Club
- Sylvan Learning
- Mark the Guitar Teacher
- YMCA Programs

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