It’s that time of year when Cushing begins to look to next year. We are planning for staffing and space. Please let the office know if you will be moving into or out of Cushing next year.

UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST

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Fri, 4 3rd Grade to Discovery World
Sat, 5 Taste of New Orleans, KMHS Cafeteria
Mon, 7 No School
Thurs, 10 Variety Show Registrations due today
Fri, 11 Author Visit-Lauren Tarshis Grades 3-5
3rd Grade Gear Box Field Trip
5th Grade Puberty Education Presentations to Students
Mon, 14 4th Grade Band/Orchestra Registration Night
Summer Academy Registration Opens
Tues, 15 Summer Academy Registration
Wed, 16 Summer Academy Registration Closes
Tues, 22 Variety Show performers meet with director/music due today
Project Fair Registrations due
Fri, 25 No School, Spring Break Through Friday April 1st

MESSAGE FROM MRS. TOETZ

The design lab is open for students at Cushing. There are opportunities for students to work as engineers during their recess. Teachers have taken their classes into the design lab to work, as well. Students ask questions, imagine solutions, plan, create and then improve. Thank you to the PTO and the Cushing community for helping with supplies. Parent volunteers are welcome to help in the design lab, as well. If you are interested in helping please contact Holli Klatt klatth@kmsd.edu. She is our Library Media Specialist that has helped to organize this amazing space.
You may get the form for input regarding class placement [HERE](#). Please note that it is due to Cushing by April 15th.

View Wales Elementary’s nifty solution for its lost and found [HERE](#). It would be awesome if someone would be interested in setting up something like this for us.

Our Design Lab is now open for business and students are able to come in at recess to Make and Take, Create and Capture, or work on design challenges. Please visit [this page](#) to see the action! If you are interested in joining the fun let Mrs. Klatt know at klatth@kmsd.edu.

We are in need of some items. If you have any of these at home please consider donating them.

- Toilet paper rolls
- Paper towel rolls
- Egg cartons
- Fabric/felt scraps
- Yarn/ribbon/string
- Plastic lids
- Plastic bottle caps
- Metal lids
- Metal hangers
- Magazines
- Newspaper
- Brown paper bags
- Old/recycled CDs
- Paper plates
- Plastic cups
- Paint/paint sticks
- Cardboard
- Puzzle pieces, not a complete puzzle
- Thread
- Bobbins
- Dominos
- Playing cards, not a complete set

The music staff of Kettle Moraine invite you to attend our Annual Band and Orchestra Registration Night! During this meeting you and your 4th grade child will be provided with important information regarding the 5th grade Band and Orchestra programs. Your questions will be answered and registration information will be handed out. Vendors from local music stores will also be on-hand to answer your questions.

As part of the KM music curriculum, students in 5th grade have the option of expanding their musical concepts by participating in either Band or Orchestra. Students can choose to enroll in either of these ensembles, which meet as part of the school day. Students choosing not to participate in Band or Orchestra will remain in their classrooms during the rehearsal time.

In 6th grade all Kettle Moraine Middle School students are required to participate in Band, Orchestra, or Choir. It is strongly recommended that all students who wish to be in Band or Orchestra for 6th grade participate in 5th grade, as this prepares them for success in middle school and ensures will be on track with their peers.

If your child is interested in Band or Orchestra but you are unable to attend this meeting registration information
will be available online at [www.kmsd.edu/elementaryband](http://www.kmsd.edu/elementaryband). Please register by April 1st if using the online option.

**DEADLINE FOR VARIETY SHOW REGISTRATION FORMS IS MARCH 10!**

Mark your calendars and plan your act because this year’s Variety Show – CUSHING ROCKS - is scheduled for Friday, April 22nd, 6 pm, at the Cushing School of Rock. This jammin’ show is sure to raise the roof! Rock your talent -- song, dance, jokes, poetry, skits, instruments, juggling and more…BE A STAR! Perform by yourself, with a friend, or group. Information and registration forms available in the front office. Or download here. Deadline for Registration is next week -- March 10th.

**THANKS FOR SHOPPING AT TADPOLES IN FEBRUARY**

The February shopping day at Tadpoles earned $124 for the Cushing PTO. Thank you for shopping at one of our local Delafield businesses and supporting our school.

**SUMMER ACADEMY BROCHURE AVAILABLE NOW**

Summer Academy 2016 will be held June 20 through July 29, 2016 at Kettle Moraine High School. The Summer Academy Brochure will be posted March 1 at [www.kmsd.edu/summeracademy](http://www.kmsd.edu/summeracademy).

Registration will be open for district residents March 14-16. Students currently enrolled in KM schools will be able to register online in Infinite Campus. Students who are residents of the district but who are not enrolled in KM schools may email or drop off a registration form during those dates. (The registration form will be posted with the brochure.)

**PROJECT FAIR REGISTRATION**

Students in Grades 1-5 are invited to participate in the annual KM Project Fair. This is a great opportunity for your children to showcase their special interests! Registrations are due March 22! Visit [www.kmsd.edu/projectfair](http://www.kmsd.edu/projectfair) for complete details.

**“A TASTE OF NEW ORLEANS”**

The Kettle Moraine High School Jazz Program presents “A Taste of New Orleans” on Saturday, March 5th beginning at 6pm in the KMHS Cafeteria. Enjoy a New Orleans cuisine prepared by the Delafield Brewhaus while listening to performances from KMHS Jazz Ensembles I and II, Jazz Studies and KMHS Laser Vocal Jazz. There will also be a silent auction held with gift baskets to benefit students in the KM Music program. Reservations can be only be made through [tinyurl.com/tono2016](http://tinyurl.com/tono2016). Tickets are
$25 and include food and entertainment. Advanced reservations are highly encouraged, there will be a very limited amount of meals available at the door.

KM PRN presents
“HELPING KIDS NAVIGATE THE DIGITAL WORLD SAFELY 2.0"

Wednesday, March 2, 6:30-8:00 PM – Cushing Elementary Activity Center.

**Back by Popular Demand!** Social media isn’t simply a way of life for kids – *It is life itself!* But even though social media offerings and apps keep changing at lightning-speed, there are common things parents should be aware of to check & discuss with kids to keep them safe. Is the content “age appropriate”? Are there public default settings? Are kids able to share “real-time” video streams or “temporary” photos and what are the implications? Does the app offer anonymity and what consequences can result from this? These are just a few of the areas parents need to consider when deciding if an app is appropriate. The KM Parent Resource Network invites you to join us for this presentation that will help you keep your kids’ online interactions safe, productive, and positive. Parents will learn about popular apps kids are using and what you need to watch for including the importance of privacy settings and about parental controls. Parents will come away from this event with a family toolkit filled with valuable information and tips on talking to your kids about sharing and posting information, photos, and videos properly in order to avoid digital drama, cyberbullying, and oversharing. This event is recommended for parents of elementary through high school students. To reserve your spot at this FREE event visit [http://digitalworldsafety.eventbrite.com](http://digitalworldsafety.eventbrite.com)!

KM PRN presents
HOW TO MAKE HEALTHY HABITS STICK

Monday, April 11, 11:00 am to 12:30 pm at Yoga 4 All in Wales.

Are you frustrated by the fact that you know what you should eat to be healthy (and potentially lose weight), but find it extremely difficult to actually make this a lasting change! This month’s facilitator, Janet Golownia of PurBalance Yoga Therapy, will help us learn about what is really behind creating new healthy habits that you can maintain for a lifetime. Janet is a yoga therapist and certified health coach who is passionate about unlocking the body’s ability to heal itself through a variety of yoga tools and nutrition. She has learned from healing her own health issues of hypothyroidism, depression and multiple sclerosis that healing takes place not only on the physical level but also the energetic and emotional levels. We are not going to just talk! You are also going to take what you learn and put it into practice right away. Thank you to Café Buzzz in Wales for donating the coffee! [Click here](http://digitalworldsafety.eventbrite.com) to register for this FREE event.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

**Softball Camp**-Grades 4-8 are invited for a hitting and /or defensive fundamentals softball camp offered by KM High School Varsity Coach Graf. Camp will be held on March 20 at KM High School. Registration forms and further detail can be found online at [www.kmsd.edu/communityed](http://www.kmsd.edu/communityed)

**KM Jr Laser Football 2016 Season**-Registration is now open for students entering grades 5-8 for the fall of 2016 interested in playing tackle football. Season begins in August and concludes in October. Registration packets can be found online at [www.kmsd.edu/communityed](http://www.kmsd.edu/communityed). The Deadline is next week to register!

**After School Wrestling**-KM High School Coaches are offering after school wrestling at all elementary schools this spring. Students with all experience levels are welcome. This will be an action packed, fun and safe introduction to the sport of wrestling. Registration forms can be found online at [www.kmsd.edu/communityed](http://www.kmsd.edu/communityed)
Sand Volleyball League/Clinic- Students in grades 6-8 are invited to our sand volleyball league offered by Coach Gulak, head boys volleyball coach at Kettle Moraine High School. League is held on Tuesdays, May 31-July 12 from 5:30-7 at KM Middle School. Registration forms can be found online at www.kmsd.edu/communityed

Tae Kwon Do Class- After School Tae Kwon Do class is being offered for students in grades K-5. Classes reinforce self-confidence, respect, focus and concentration along with physical fitness. Registration forms can be found online at www.kmsd.edu/communityed

Camp Invention -Summer 2016- Students in grades 1-6 are encouraged to join us August 8-12 for Camp Invention. You will build a solar powered cricket, discover the science of slime and squid, take apart machines, design an eco-adventure park and much more. Registration forms can be found online at www.kmsd.edu/communityed

Bricks 4 Kidz- Bricks 4 Kidz® Early Engineers after school enrichment class is NEW to the Kettle Moraine School District! Our classes provide an extraordinary atmosphere for children, where we learn, we build and we play…with LEGO® bricks. Students build a new model each week, designed by B4K engineers and architects, with exciting themes that kids love! We use technic LEGO®’s, teaching students how gears, pins and axels work together to create movement. Enrollment is limited for grades 5K-5, registration details can be found online at www.kmsd.edu/communityed

ONLINE FLYER WEBPAGE! CHECK HERE FOR EVENTS & ACTIVITIES IN THE KETTLE MORAINES COMMUNITY

Online Flyer Webpage - Events & Activities in the Kettle Moraine Community
Check out our online page for community events and activity flyers. These events are not sponsored by the Kettle Moraine School District but have been approved by the Community Education Office for sharing on our website. Current flyers include:

- Free First Stage Class - K-12 - February 28
- Free Boys Hip Hop Class - Grades K-5 - February 28
- Delafield Public Library February Schedule of Events
- Locked in at the Library After Hours Scavenger Hunt Grades 4-8 - February 26
- Community Bike Swap - March 19
- Wii Night Grades 5+ - March 25
- 2016 KM Rec Flag Football Registration
- Learn Guitar
- Camp Anokijig