

KMS PURPLE PAGES

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Princesses on Parade

By Lexa Adami



“Big Booty Big Booty Big Booty AWEEEE YEAH.” Big Booty is one of the really fun games we play in drama. We also play games like Kitty Gotta Corner and Detective.

Drama isn't just about acting, it's also about being confident. We have multiple warm ups that help us gain confidence in ourselves. We do park bench improv where someone gives you a situation and you improvise your own scene. At the beginning of drama I was quiet and I didn't know what to do with myself, but now that I've gotten familiar with my classmates I am loud and confident.

Blocking and projection are crucial skills for acting so you can perform your play, and it will also be seen

and heard by the audience. When the audience can't see your face, they most likely can't hear you as well as they should. It makes the play more enjoyable when you can see the person's face who's acting; it helps with building character and personality.

Drama students performed a play on April 9th and 11th called “Princesses.” Everyone did a fantastic job on the play and we are all proud of ourselves. Making props and memorizing lines wasn't the easiest for us, but I'm glad we all came through and worked together as a team.

Genesis said that drama is fun and she likes to hang around the other people. She said that even though the
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Princesses on Parade

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play was a bit rough, she thought it was really funny. Alston said that he really liked the play. He said it's a lot of work, but all that work payed off. He liked his part even though it was really hard work memorizing lines.

Mrs. Miranda (the drama teacher) said that our class was very energetic and was fun to work with. She thinks that the play went well. Some people forgot their lines, but Mrs. Miranda was proud of our improv skills. She thought the audience really liked it.

Hannah Autry was watching the play and she said that it was really funny and entertaining. She said she was watching Rylie Sparks most of the times because she was funny.

Drama is definitely an activity you should try no matter what! I had a lot of fun and you will too.

Students who partook in this event were:

7th grade

Lexa Adami
Samantha Avery
Ava Fabian
Chloe Grimm
Ashton Kisse
Ashlyn Potton
Nathan Teates



8th grade

Kage Adkins
Adam Anglebrandt
Ky Calvert
Cali Holmes
Patrick Kramer
Kori Moore
Brooklynn Reed
Nolan Rogers
Rylie Sparks
Cavan Swanson
Alston Thomas
Genesis Trevino
Xavier Zendejas



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Apple Journals

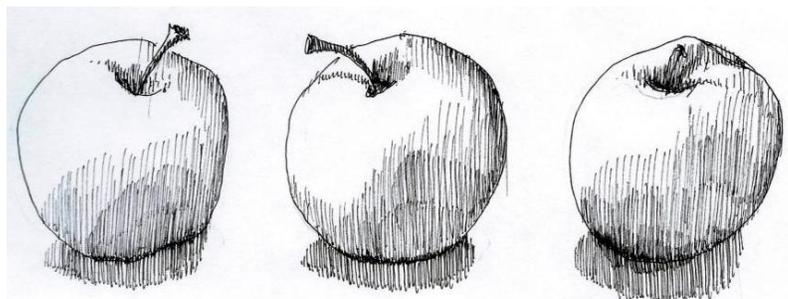
By Camilla Gonzalez

Mr. Gustkey's 7th grade language arts class is currently doing their Apple Journals. All the students must take care of an apple for 42 days. In their journal they must draw a picture and write a couple of sentences every day. Mr. Gustkey said, "You will get out of this project what you put into it," so he encouraged a lot of the students to work hard.

The majority of the students were very excited to start this project, but others not so much. Some people ended up stabbing their apples or throwing them around, but others spoiled their apples by making blankets and beds for them.

Boston McEwen said he was very excited to start the project because it isn't just write, write, write. His apple's name is Greg, and one thing his apple has done so far is fall off his bunk bed and land on his dog. His journal is going well and he is excited to watch his story evolve.

Nova Ziegler says she was not very excited to do the apple journal. She though it would be very boring and time consuming. Her apple's name is Patches because he has a lot of scratches and bruises. She says her cat Daisy has licked her apple but wasn't very interested and walked away. And she doesn't know if she wants to continue...



School District Budget Cuts

By Jody McKinney

[Disclaimer not all decisions are final]

Kenai Peninsula Borough School District might be losing funding of 22.4 million dollars from the state with the proposed budget by the governor.

The schools in the district might have big changes. Some of the schools will be getting shut down but not all of these decisions are final.

One of the district's proposed budget cuts includes no sports in middle schools and high schools. This decision will have a pretty big impact on schools since lots of students love sports. Also, other extra-curricular activities might be cut.

Some Opinions:

Ms. Gann- "It's sad and it will not help with education and it's pretty drastic."

Mrs. Rolph- "I'm very nervous because of classes getting bigger and cutting extra-curricular activities, and the effect on the students. A ton of people will leave the school or community."

Mr. Verkuilen- "This is a narrow view and it's sad about kids' education. They need to work harder on getting resources."

Mr. Schoessler- "They can cut other things other than this class."

Jorgi Phillips- "It's stupid and umm triggering and why though?"

Dawson Lockwood- "I think I'd rather have my dividend, and not gonna lie, I'd rather waste money."

Emma Beck - "I think it's a little bit dumb that people that have never taught in a classroom get to decide how much money a teacher gets, and I think the state should have managed money before this might happen."

Ella Yragui- "If they cut sports most kids wouldn't try to get good grades for school."

Brooklyn Reed- "A lose, lose situation."

Opinion-8-ed

By Gwendylan N. Case

Question: How do you feel about the school district budget cuts?

Esther Joseph: It makes me sad because opportunities offered to students will probably go down, along with pay for teachers. ☹️

Sean Raften: I feel Dunleavy is as bad as T-series.

Gwendylan N. Case: I feel upset because education is important and teachers work hard and they should be getting more money not less.

Makena Arbizo: They need to check their sanity!

Jayna Boonstra: I don't think they're fair because a lot of teachers would get fired.

Malena Grieme: I don't think it's right because they're cutting our education budget instead of other budgets. I think a lot of people will move if they cut sports.

Ben Boersma: It's really not good, it's unconstitutional. It affects most people and I wish he could reconsider.

Kenneth Coghill: I think it's smart to save money but when it affects teachers' salaries and students' activities and impedes education and our ability to go to school, then I feel upset.

Ayla Tallent: School budget cuts are going to cut sports and make the Nikiski people join us at KMS.

Blaze A. Watson: I think it's good because friends from other schools may get to see other schools and may get to see each other again but also bad because now they don't have their own school.

Silas Thibodeau: I think this is horrible! We need to spend more money on school! Also if we take away band and choir and other extra-curricular activities then we won't be able to do what our school does best. If they take away our sports then it would be very boring and all the students will be bland, boring, and miserable people.

Eli Morris: I feel like KMS is known for all the electives and exploratories. When the budget is cut there will be less funding for the exploratories, which makes school less fun and then students will hate school more than they already do.

Jason Koenig: I think the school district budget cuts are bad, because it will increase student population and probably increase days we have to attend school.

If You Can't See the Letter C

By Gwendylan N. Case



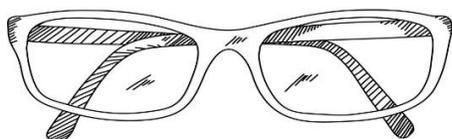
When I was in 7th grade I got my first pair of glasses. It was during Mr. Felchle's 5th period class that my eyes started hurting while I was taking notes. I told my mom, so she made an appointment at Eyewear Express where she works (and I help out sometime). After my appointment it turned out that I would need glasses, so I had to actually pick out a pair.

What people don't tell you is that you can't just get any pair you want. You need to get a pair that fits your head shape. It took me forever to choose a pair, so my mom grabbed a pair and said, "Put these frames on your face." I don't know how she did it; I thought it must be part of her super-mom powers, because the glasses fit perfectly.

There are many reasons why someone needs glasses. Some of the signs that you might need eyewear are frequent headaches when reading, words that look blurry and unfocused, and having a hard time seeing the Smart Board.

There are several common types of eye conditions. If you are having difficulty seeing things in the distance, this is called myopic or near-sightedness. People who have difficulty reading and seeing things that are close up have hyperopic or far-sightedness. Some peoples' eyes are both near-sighted and far-sighted; this condition is called Anisometropia.

In conclusion there are many reasons why someone would need glasses and everyone who has glasses has their own story.



Elon Musk's Companies

By Zachary Halstead

Elon Musk was born on June 28, 1971, in Pretoria, South Africa. His mother was a model and dietician, and his father was an electromechanical engineer. Shortly after Elon was born, his brother and sister joined the family. He earned college degrees in economics and physics at the University of Pennsylvania. Musk went to Stanford to study energy physics but dropped out after two days to start a software company.

Tesla: Being the CEO and co-founder of Tesla, he oversees engineering, all product design, battery products, and solar roofs. When Tesla started in 2003, their mission was to make all cars electric. The first Tesla car was the Model S Sedan introduced in 2008. Their second car, the Model X SUV released in 2015, received five star ratings in every category and won the Consumer Report best overall car! In 2017, Tesla began delivering the \$35,000 electric car with 215 miles of range. The Tesla Semi is designed to save \$200,000 over a million miles.

Tesla also produces two industrial-scale battery storage products, the Powerwall and the Powerpack. In 2016, Elon made Solar City, the leading provider of solar power systems in the U.S, and in 2017, Tesla made the solar roof, which is an affordable energy product. In 2016, Tesla made the accomplishment of being the world's first sustainable electric car company.

SpaceX: In addition to being the CEO and co-founder of Tesla, Musk is also the CEO, co-founder, and lead designer of SpaceX. SpaceX makes advanced rockets and spacecraft to fly to Mars and beyond, with a goal to make a city on Mars. SpaceX's most powerful rocket in the world called the Falcon Heavy (23 stories tall) was launched into the air on Thursday, April 11, 2019 from Florida. It was the first commercial mission for Elon Musk. It returned ten minutes later for a successful mission.



The Boring Company: Musk is the CEO of the Boring Company, which combines fast, affordable tunneling technology with electric public transportation systems. This will enable high-speed, long-distance travel through the tunnels underground the most populated cities.

Mini-Courses

By Alexis Marquis

Mini-courses are happening soon, so here's a few things about the new courses. Mini-courses are the fun activities that we do at the end of the year for two days, Monday and Tuesday.

If you bring in cans it will bring up your chances of being first to pick your course. 8th graders who bring cans pick first, then 7th graders with cans, lastly 6th graders with cans, then for the people who don't have cans, it's 8th graders without, 7th graders without, and 6th graders without.

Ms. Gann is doing Computer games and Makerspace activities. It's just for Monday but it may be worth it. They will be doing computer games, coding activities, and Makerspace activities, like making origami paper clip necklaces. A great thing about this is that it's free. So if this is something you are into, you should bring your lunch and have fun.



Ms. Stotz is offering "For the Love of Animals." If you love animals and helping out you should totally be in this course. You will be helping out at the Kenai

Animal Shelter! It's a lot of walking, so bring some good shoes. You will walk from the school to the shelter, to McDonald's, and then back to the school. It's for Monday and you need to bring money for McDonald's, but other than that, there's no fee.

Mrs. Beck is doing Kossack Cooking. There will be four teams who will be competing to make an amazing appetizer, main course, and dessert. There will be guest judges and a special sous-chef, Andrew Agosti, who used to attend KMS and now works at Addie Camp. Once they crown the winners they will all eat the hard work that they made! There is a \$15.00 fee, and it's a one-day course for either Monday or Tuesday.



Ms. Adair and Ms. Navarre are doing a two day camp to an Alyeska condo. They are staying the night in an amazing, beautiful town called Girdwood. Students who pick this course

will head to Slaughter Gulch in Cooper Landing, then start hiking. They will have a picnic at the lookout then drive to Girdwood, where they are staying the night. On the second day when they wake up they will eat breakfast and hike on the Hand Tram trail. When they get back they will return to KMS. It has a \$15.00 fee but if you love hiking then it's worth it.

In the end no matter what mini-course you choose, have lots of fun celebrating the end of the school year!



Nekoda Cooper

By Sean Raften

Nekoda Cooper is an 8th grader here at KMS who you might not know. Once you get to know her, she honestly is pretty interesting.



One of the hobbies that Nekoda enjoys is reading.

She says her favorite book series are the *Keeper of the Lost Cities* and *Percy Jackson* series. She likes them because “They are exceptionally enjoyable to my creative eye. They satisfy my inner soul of literature.”

Another hobby is horseback riding. Her horse’s name is Rocket and she says she likes horseback riding because it’s fast.

Some of her family and friends are her mom, her stepdad Brook, her brothers Eli, Brock, and Arlo, and her best friend, Marina Crabb. Marina says, “Nekoda is an omniscient being far beyond my mortal comprehension.”

Her brother Eli also attends KMS in 6th grade. Eli says that on a scale of 1-10, he rates Nekoda at 7.23. In her free time, she enjoys tormenting her family and making their lives less nice. One heartwarming activity that she enjoys is chucking potatoes at Eli’s head.

Her favorite class now is advanced Language Arts with Mrs. Nabholz. She says she likes it because she knows all the people in the class. Even though it is an advanced class, she does not consider herself a “smart person.”

Next year, Nekoda plans to attend KCHS, and she stated, “Do

6 smart stuff and leave.”

Aggie Jimmy

By Mrs. Nabholz

Aggie Jimmy is a new 7th grader at KMS this year. She moved here from Nanwalek, and she thought it was scary at first but she got used to being at a bigger school.

Aggie really enjoys language arts class, because she loves learning new things, including how to write poetry. She enjoyed doing the poetry slam and also writing a love poem for Valentine’s Day.

She also enjoys PE and playing many sports. She played basketball, which she had done before, but she also tried soccer and volleyball for the first time; volleyball is now her favorite sport! She is also running the 200m and 400m events in track.

Some of her friends are Emaline, Kenzie, Brooke, Lily, and Abby, who she is hanging out with at lunch here:



At home, Aggie likes to watch movies, especially comedies, because she likes to laugh. She would also like to travel to Japan someday, even though the population is huge, because the pictures of nature that she has seen online are so beautiful.

Aggie is moving back to Nanwalek for 8th grade, but she would like to return to Kenai for high school because there are more options for classes. She has learned some Sug’sstun language at her school there, and in the future she would like to study even more languages.

Landen Blake

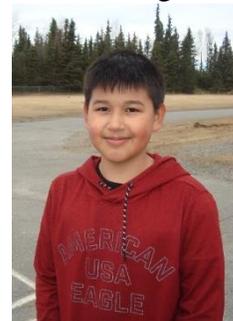
By Dylan Landry

Landen Blake is a 6th grader here at KMS so he is a new student this year. There are some aspects of school that he enjoys but overall he doesn't like it. He loves to socialize with his friends and other students. His favorite class is science.

Landen is the guy that would rather play video games, especially his favorite, Fortnite. His favorite skin is a soccer themed skin called Poised Playmaker, his favorite backbling is called Battle Shroud, his favorite pickaxe is called The Reaper, his favorite glider is called the Falcon, and his favorite landing spot is Fatal Fields.

His top three favorite emotes are Take the L, Orange Justice, and Free Stylin’. His favorite season is season three, because he really enjoyed that there were no tryhards. He liked the method called “Double Pumping” (the action in which you use two pump shotguns to shoot while switching between them really fast). Season three was his favorite because of Dusty Depot, an old location that was removed the following season.

Landen loves to go home and play his favorite video game, but sometimes his older siblings can just be annoying. Dustin pushes Landen a lot and trash talks rarely, but it is still annoying according to Landen. Kaden yells a lot while playing video games, constantly trash talking and mocking Landen.



When I asked Landen how he feels about 7th grade he replied, “I don't even know what to think.”

February SOMs

By Jacob Blum

These are the students of the month; the reason I am showing you is because then you will know who they are...



6th - Tait Cooper, Sierra Hershberger, Zachary Hustman, Tyler Van Sky



7th - Charles Trickel, Lianna Carranza, Grace Hallam



8th - Rylie Sparks, Jorgi Phillips, Dakari Robinson

Now you know who the February students of the month are... thank you for your time.

March SOMs

By Alexis Marquis

Congratulations to all of these hard working students who earned student of the month. Keep up the good work.



8th - Marina Crabb, Zach Halstead, Shelby Easling



7th - William Roberts, Hally Elder-Hanson



6th - Keisha Conner, Destin Trickel, Enrique Mercado

Opportunity does not knock, it presents itself when you beat down the door.

With the new day comes new strength and new thoughts.

Track Season: Field Events

By Makena Arbizo

Welcome to the annual track season! Kenai has a team of over 100 students! That is quite the handful. We are lucky to have five dedicated coaches on Kenai's side. They work very hard and so do the athletes on the team.

Mr. Felchle is a very dedicated coach. He said, "I enjoy coaching in general. It allows me to spend time with kids in something they enjoy." When mentioning the other coaches he had this to say, "Track is a sport that requires many coaches that coach different events with a large amount of kids. All the coaches at Kenai Middle enjoy being around student athletes. This makes it enjoyable to work with them." Mr. Felchle started to coach track because of being involved with activities at Kenai; he fell in love with it because of all of the activities.

Track is a busy sport to participate in, not just for the athletes but also for the managers. The track managers organize papers and take care of questions related to which events are held when. "What I like best about being track manager is helping Mr. Felchle," Lexa Adami said. When asked about what she disliked about track she said, "I hate organizing because there is too much thinking and ABC order."

When you are attending track meets there are some essential things you should know. The running events are very important. You wouldn't be able to re-run any or jump into another heat. You must be present when they tell you what heat you are in. When you are in field events, it is less strict about your timing. The people who run the different field events will only require you to sign in and tell them if you're in a

running event. If you are, they will get your name written down and send you off to your running event.

There are two throwing events in track, the shotput and discus. Shotput and discus use different techniques. Field events are very entertaining to watch. They are mellower than the running events, but they are still equally entertaining. It's fun to watch the distance the shotputs go.

Shot put is when you throw a 6 pound metal ball. When you are preparing to throw the shot, you will have it placed in the upper half of your hand. There are different approaches; one of them are the sliding approach. When you do a sliding approach you are parallel to your target. Then you take a step, slide your other foot, and step again. Depending on how long your strides are you'll only slide two to three times. When you release the shot you use your palm to push it into the air. That is the only time you would touch the shot put with your palm through the entire event.

Throwing a discus is a bit different. When you are throwing a discus you will have it flat in your hand, with the very last knuckle area on your hand gripping the discus. There is also a parallel stance in this, but instead of a slide, you do a 'Z-step'. First your feet are shoulder width apart, then you step behind the foot closer to the target, and after that you step with the foot in front in the same direction. Repeat this twice. When you throw, you are extending your arm behind you, gaining momentum to throw the discus. When you throw the discus you have to let it roll off your fingers. The very last finger that it rolls off of should be your index finger.



Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu

By Izaiah Templeton

“Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu is a martial art and combat sport system that focuses on grappling with particular emphasis on ground fighting.” – Wikipedia



Two Kenai Middle School students take Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu. Neither student wanted to but after their parents made them attend then they started to like going.

Daxon Merveldt is an 8th grader who takes Jiu-Jitsu classes four times a week. His mother made him take classes before he wanted to but now he is interested in the classes. He likes the classes now because he is learning self-defense. He thinks the classes are easy to medium for his skill level and will help in a real life situation. Daxon likes to fight people bigger than him. He has not used it in a serious situation... yet.

Vance Johnston is a 7th grader who takes Jiu-Jitsu at a Soldotna training center with Daxon. His mother also makes him take the classes. He thinks a disadvantage is that it takes away from his time... but it's worth it. He goes three times a week, and he said that the classes are medium for his skill level. He also thinks it will be helpful in later life.

Mrs. Updike

By Izzie Katzenberger

This year is Ms. Updike's first year teaching at KMS. She teaches math, languages arts, reading, and study skills for the 8th graders in special education classes. Her favorite memory is when she went to Solid Rock camp with the 8th graders.

Before working here at KMS, she worked at Nikiski North Star Elementary as a special education teacher for the fourth and fifth graders. She enjoys teaching special education because everyone learns differently and has different talents.

Ms. Updike was born in Quincy, California and moved to Kenai, Alaska when she was four. She went to Redoubt Elementary, K-Beach Elementary, and Skyview High School. She wanted to start teaching in high school because she enjoyed helping kids.



Some of her favorite things to do outside of school are spending time with her family, crocheting, and fishing. She loves to fish at the Kenai River and Resurrection Bay. Her favorite fish to catch are reds because they take skill to catch if they aren't in a run and they are feisty and fun to reel in. Her favorite things to crochet are hats because they are fun to make and are functional.

If you have Ms. Updike next year don't sit in the rolly chairs!

May Birthdays

By Kenzie Keller

Aicha Kisena	1 st
Kelsie Easing	1 st
Roman Mosquito	2 nd
Isabella Bond	2 nd
Jaden Garner	2 nd
Cooper Bernard	4 th
Lily Lanahan	4 th
Ethan Pyatt	6 th
Bladen Manning	11 th
Maeleigh Tuttle	13 th
Brooke Summers	15 th
Ryan Baughn	15 th
Lola McEwen	18 th
Kimberly Parker	18 th
Rohan Hansen	19 th
Mrs. Hill	19 th
Hope Broussard	22 nd
Michael Schmidt	22 nd
Madison Goodrich	22 nd
Justyce Stockman	23 rd
Thomas Anderson	23 rd
Lianna Carranza	24 th
Sierra Moffis	25 th
Caydne Bornowski	26 th
Dominique Russell	26 th
Nolan Rogers	27 th
Sawyer Vann	28 th
Emily Huffer	28 th
Mrs. Navarre	28 th
Julius Penalver	28 th
Caitlyn Crapps	29 th
Mr. Gustkey	29 th
Patience Cucullu	29 th
Kaden Quimby	31 st



A CREATIVE PERSON IS MOTIVATED BY THE DESIRE TO ACHIEVE,
NOT BY THE DESIRE TO BEAT OTHERS.

Trending Back in the Day

By Izaiah Templeton

Back in the 1970's, 80's, and 90's the music was way better! Teens used to get together and socialize more back then than we do now. Can you imagine actually having a good conversation in person? You peasants! Keep reading to find out more about what was trending.



Mr. Tilly was in middle school between 1978-1980. He had a puka shell necklace and a Walkman cassette player. He also had a record player and record albums.

- Music – KC and the Sunshine Band, Jim Croce
- Clothing – Bell bottom pants, combs, puka shells, Nike shoes
- Food – Shakey's Pizza Parlor, Uncle's Pizza
- Shows and Movies – MASH, Smokey and the Bandit
- Hangout – Roller rink
- Celebrities - Burt Reynolds
- Slang – Rad, that's bad, tubular
- Hero – Mike Eruzione

Mr. Schoessler was in middle school in the 70s. He is a huge Packers fan to this day and his most inspirational players are listed below.

- Music – Neil Diamond, Eagles, Three Dog Night
- Clothing – Bell bottoms
- Food – Sandy's Burger Shop
- Shows and Movies – NFL, Lawrence Welk, Carol Burnett, Hee Haw
- Hangout – Home, neighborhood
- Celebrities – Bart Starr, Jim Taylor



Mrs. Vest was in middle school in the 1980s. She listened to a wide spectrum of music.

- Music – New wave and rock
- Clothing – Calvin Klein jeans
- Food – Burger King, Del Taco
- Shows and Movies – Magnum PI, Fame, Indiana Jones
- Hangout - Park, neighborhood
- Celebrities – Michael Jackson, Tom Selleck
- Slang – Airhead
- Hero – Earl Campbell

Nurse Dixie was in middle school around 1993ish. She loved to socialize at the roller rink with friends.

- Music – Boys II Men
- Clothing – Pegged pants
- Food – Top Ramen
- Shows and Movies – Full House, Cool Runnings
- Hangout – Kenai Carrs Mall, Soldotna Roller Rink
- Celebrities – Luke Perry
- Slang – Legit
- Hero – Monica Heath



Mr. Beck was a middle schooler in the 80s. He wrestled, played football, and ran track. And look at his hero!

- Music – Black Eyed Peas, and songs on the radio
- Clothing – Levis
- Food - Meat
- Shows and Movies – Shawshank Redemption
- Hangout – Sports practice
- Celebrities – Josh Duhamel
- Slang – Gnarly, bad, sick, dude, bruh
- Hero – Mr. Summer (#relatable)

Mr. Summer lived BC, so there wasn't much schooling. His mother was Cleopatra, the ruler of Egypt. They both are descendants of Alexander the Great!

- Music – Classical, Beethoven, etc.
- Clothing – Canvas and burlap with wool
- Food – Meat and vegetables
- Shows and Movies – No TV just work and dinner
- Hangout – No hangout just work and bed
- Celebrities – Beethoven
- Slang – Spoke English with a British accent
- Hero – Warden, cell mates, and the parole officer

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Aluminum Can Drive

By Camilla Gonzalez



The students at KMS held an aluminum can drive from April 8-11. The students had to bring a bag of cans; the money raised is for mini-courses, so students will get to go do some fun activities. Mr. Tilly and Mr. V stood at the back of the school each morning and helped the students add them to the big hill of cans.

Students who decided to bring in a bag of cans had the chance to pick their mini-courses first. Mini-course sign-ups were held on Friday, April 12, and students had the chance to pick a few fun places to go the last week of school. The total amount of cans we took in this year was . . . 1,580lbs!!!

Trending Today

By Dylan Landry & Izaiah Templeton

Current KMS 8th graders spend a lot of time watching shows and listening to music online. Just like back in the day in the 1970s, 80s, and 90s, jeans and Top Ramen are still trending.

Wade Williams

- Music – Juice WRLD
- Clothing – Nike and Adidas
- Food – Mexican
- Shows and Movies – Stranger Things
- Hangout – The Rec
- Celebrities – Juice WRLD
- Slang – Ya aight
- Hero – The Flash

Eva Sorensen

- Music – Old Town Road Remix, You Was at the Club
- Clothing – Ripped jeans, Lulu Lemon leggings, Air Force 1s
- Food – McDonald's, Coffee Express drinks
- Shows and Movies – On My Block, Pretty Little Liars, Avengers Endgame
- Hangout – Hockey games, movies
- Celebrities – Kylie Jenner, James Charles
- Slang – “I like em big, I like em chunky”
- Hero – Shrek

Rey Perez

- Music – Mo Bamba
- Clothing – Shorts
- Food – McDonald's
- Shows and Movies – Hellboy
- Hangout – The Rec
- Celebrities – Selena Gomez
- Slang – Bro
- Hero – Shazam

Colton Dunham

- Music – Soviet Anthem
- Clothing – Air Pods, Gucci
- Food – Salmon
- Shows and Movies – The Office
- Hangout – The Wetlands
- Celebrities – Ben Shapiro
- Hero – Joseph Stalin

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Trending Today

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Kori Moore

- Music – Wrong by Lun Kei
- Clothing – AE Clothes
- Food – Top Ramen
- Shows and Movies – On My Block
- Hangout – Beach
- Celebrities – Cole Sprouse
- Slang – Tea
- Hero – My Dad

Jaylynn Witt

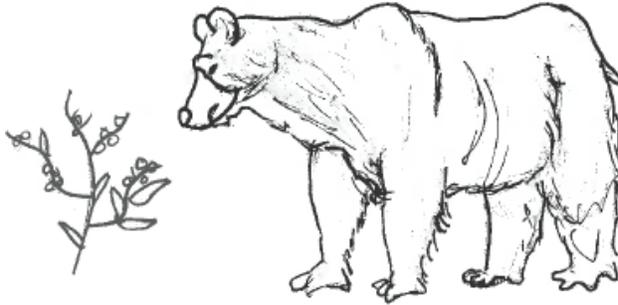
- Music – Post Malone
- Clothing – High-waisted jeans w/ crop tops
- Food – Tide Pods
- Shows and Movies – YouTube
- Hangout – Movies and outside
- Celebrities – Lil Pump
- Slang – Your Mom
- Hero – Logan Paul

Aleea Faulkner

- Music – Michael Jackson
- Clothing – Champion
- Food – McDonalds
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Random Stuff

By Lexa Adami



There are eight different species of bears, of which this is a Kodiak bear. The Kodiak bear is the largest member of the brown bear family also known as “The Grizzly Bear” even though it does not have the grizzled fur. The Kodiak bear feeds on shoots and plants until the salmon arrive.

They are massive and are roughly tied with the polar bear for size, weighing up to 1500 lbs. The Kodiak bear lives mostly in the Kodiak archipelago in southwestern Alaska. They are very isolated, having been separated from their closest relative, the Kamchatka brown bears of Russia, but their population is increasing fast.

So many things on Earth have to do with the moon. In fact, we need the moon for many reasons. The moon is responsible for the rise and fall of the tides. It gives the earth a stable axial tilt and it contains metal deposits that are necessary for Earth. One fact about the moon is that it has earthquakes. Yeah, that’s right, the earth isn’t the only thing that has earthquakes. People weigh less on the moon than on Earth... but don’t get any ideas.

Blueberries have 80 calories per serving, which is one cup. Blueberries have many health benefits, like a high antioxidant content. Antioxidants neutralize free radicals roaming the body while boosting the immune system. Blueberries also kill bacteria. Blueberries are native to North America and were introduced into Europe during the 1930’s.

Just Some Jokes

By Alexis Marquis

Q: Why do fish live in salt water?

A: Because pepper makes them sneeze.

Q: What do you call bears without ears?

A: B.

Q: Did you hear about the marathon runner who ran for three hours but only moved two feet?

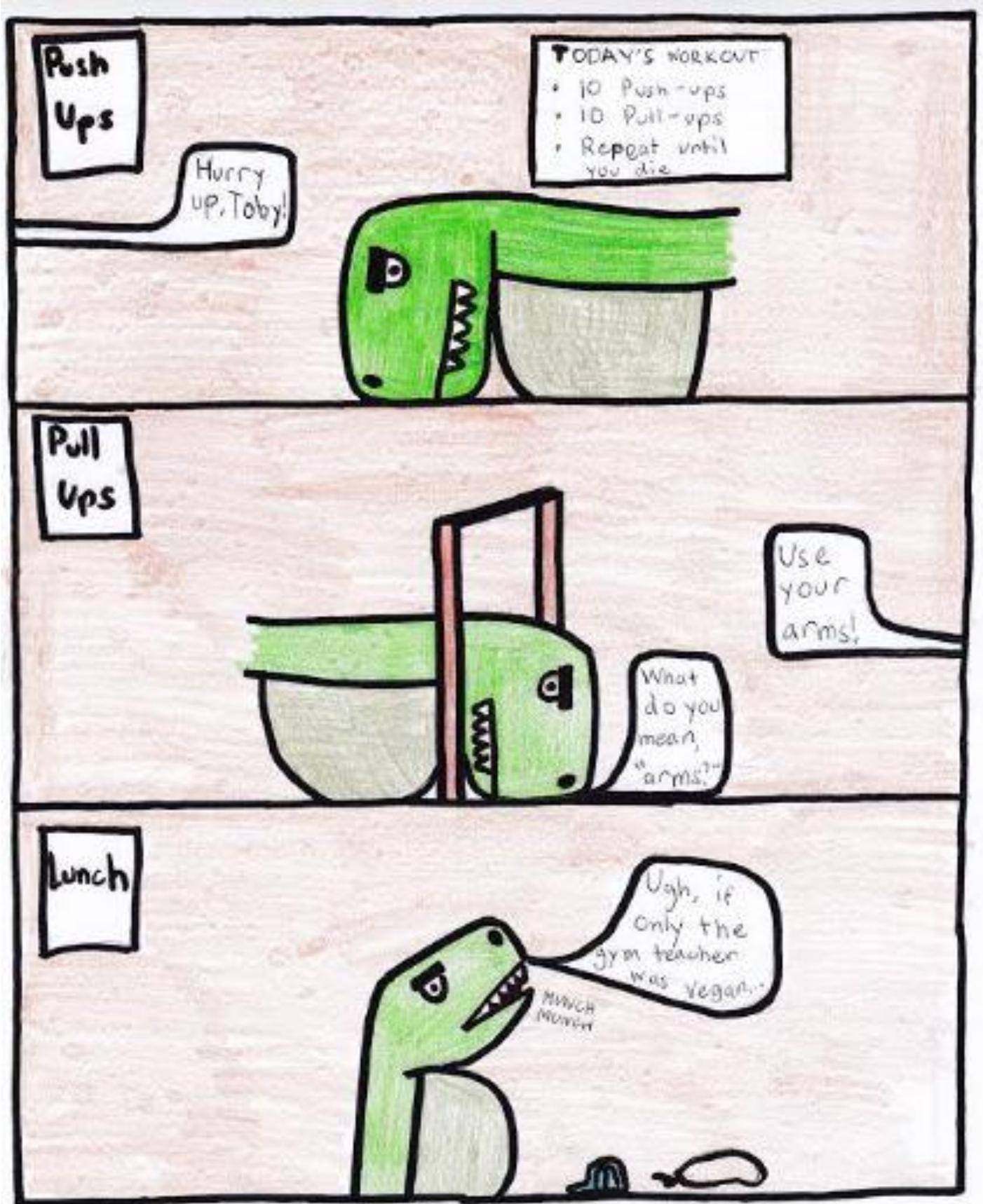
A: He only had two feet!

Q: Why do dogs run in circles?

A: Because it’s hard to run in squares!



Toby da T-Rex Hates Gym Class by Sean Raften



DIY: Little Cactus Friends

By Kenzie Keller

I am going to guide you on how to make cactus rock plants – hope you enjoy making them!



- First: Find a couple of round ended rocks
- Second: Clean the rocks
- Third: Paint the rock green (or any color you want) and let dry
- Fourth: Get a little planting pot and paint it (optional)
- Fifth: Fill the pot with dirt and moss three fourths of the way full
- Sixth: Paint light green spikes onto the rock and let dry
- Seventh: Put googly eyes on the rock or paint eyes
- Eighth: Place the rocks so that you can see the eyes
- Ninth: Place more dirt and moss in the pot around the rocks
- Tenth: Find somewhere to keep your friend so he/she can be happy



-Anonymous Confessions-

-By King Steven-

“How does a Shepherd count his sheep without falling asleep?” –Anonymous

King Steven- “I don’t know, how? Huh.”

“I have the first 25 digits of pi memorized.” - I Like Math -I Don’t Know Math

King Steven- “I know 3.14159265359 of pi. Oh no, I forgot to do my math.”

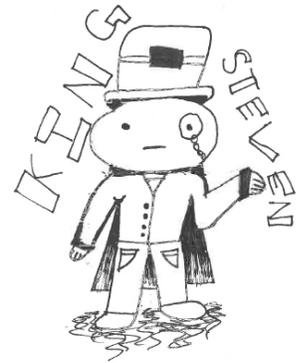
“I love to eat salt. I buy extra coarse salt and eat it like NERDS!” –Anonymous

King Steven- “You should email My Strange Addiction, You might make some good cash.”

“Sometime I’ll wake up in the middle of a nice sleep to find that I have been holding one of my arms straight up in the air.” –

Anonymous

King Steven- “You might need to get that checked out, buddy.”



Track Team Playlist

By Izzie Katzenberger

“High Hopes” by Panic! At the Disco

“Run, Boy, Run” by Woodkid

“We Are the Champions” by Queen

“Born to Run” by Bruce Springsteen

“Runaways” by All Time Low

“Jump to It” by Aretha Franklin

“Run to You” by Pentatonix

“Run” by AWOLNATION

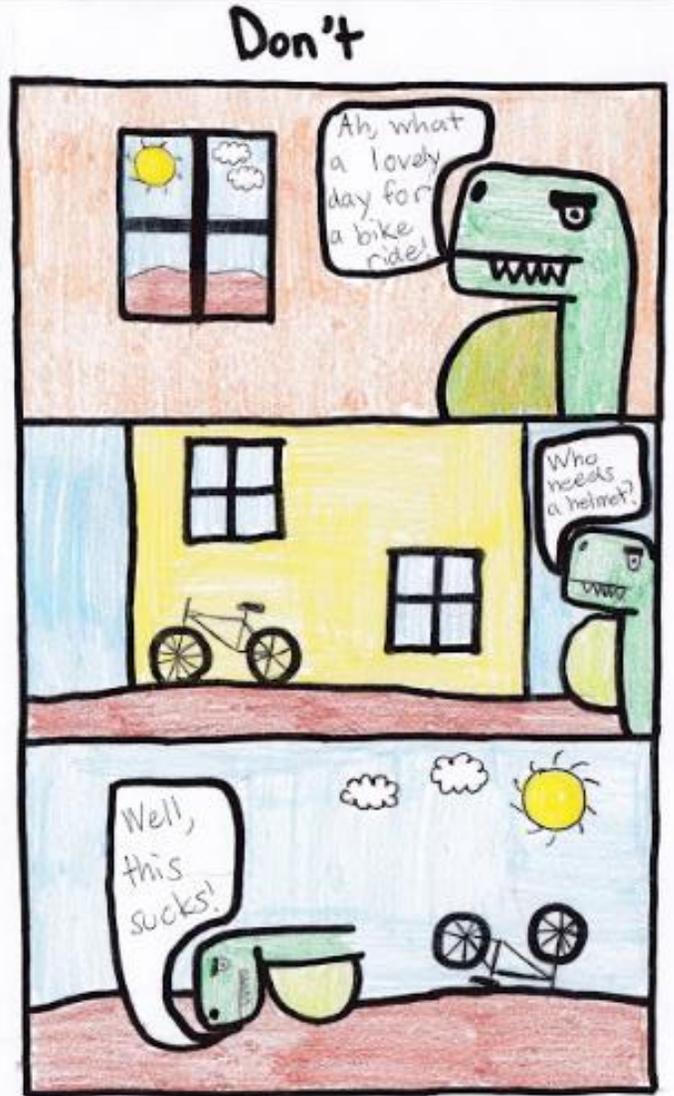
“You Win Again” by Johnny Cash

“All I Do Is Win” by DJ Khaled



Why Dinosaurs Went Extinct

by Sean Raften



#KMShashtags

By Alexis Marquis
& Kenzie Keller

#Staystrong
#Schoolisalmostover
#Minicourses
#Trackisawesome
#DIYcactusfriends
#Schoolistoomuchwork
#Compsoccer
#Sunnyskies
#Bottlerockets
#Sixthgradecamp
#Appleproject
#Farewell8thgraders

Always do your best.
What you plant now,
you will harvest later.



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Overheard

By Gwendylan N. Case



“Easter is my favorite sport.”
“How do they teach you, deductions?”
Teacher: “Does anybody know him?”
Student: “Yes, I don’t but somebody does.”
“Big booty, big booty, big booty.”
“Wait, is laughing an ab workout?”

“We’re just trying to yeet peacefully!”
“Those aren’t PEAKS! They’re mountains! I object!”

“Waffles are just pancakes with muscles.”

“How do you slip on a marshmallow?”

“I have a new use for headphones... chin pillows!”

“You don’t have to break things in half to multitask.”

“Is that how the mafia does it?”

“Is that even a sentence thing?”

“Is it wrong to want to eat my son?”

“I can’t get the dang ice!”

Student 1: “What are you doing?”

Student 2: “I’m gently stroking your right foot.”

“My finger is a man!”

“Have you ever caressed the horse?”

Student 1: “I have short legs ok!”

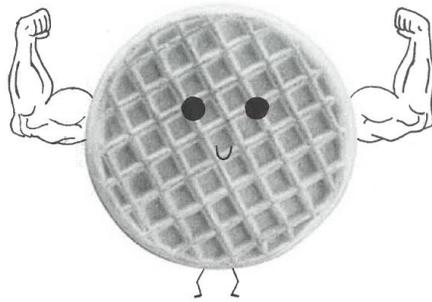
Student 2: “You don’t have legs.”

Student 1: “That’s RUDE!”

“How do you get a blueberry into a syringe?”

“It’s blueberry blood.”

“That’s totally sixist.”



“I think I should shave off my eyebrows.”

“Sickly satisfying is a palindrome.”

“I never thought I’d hear someone get in trouble for singing the Muffin Man song.”

“That is so rude, why would you kill me?!”

“There’s like a British lady in my headphones.”

“If my mouth was my abs, I’d be ripped!”

“If farting makes you lose weight, then I should be skinnier.”

“I misspelled the word tree three times yesterday.”

“Add some detail to that pickle.”

Student 1: “What does the fox say?”

Student 2: “Nothing, because he’s plotting revenge against those who’ve wronged him.”

“Instead of raising your eyebrows you’d be raising your head.”

“Can your phone multi-task?”

“You met with a pencil dealer?”

“Why do all my friends love to kill GOLDFISH?”

“Who needs friends when you have a wall.”

“The more you do it the more less confusing it gets.”

“Uh, what happened to being a man?”

“Geez, what’s your malfunction Karen?”

“Did you know polar bears scream when they poop?”

“It’s like I’m eating my own throat.”

“Eating pie is like trying to wrestle Satan.”

“Mr. Starch from Avengers is a french-fry.”

“I feel special!

Someone finally acknowledged my existence.”

“A good waffle needs two arms.”

Student 1: “I am majestic!!”

Student 2: “Yeah, like a dead dog.”

“I should be a cinnamon book.”

“We’re ruining the mood with diarrhea.”



Just Some Jokes

By Camilla Gonzalez

Q: Why do bees have sticky hair?

A: Because they use honeycombs

Q: What do you call a frozen dog?

A: A pupsicle

Q: What do you call a train carrying bubblegum?

A: A chew-chew train

Q: What do you say to a fancy cactus?

A: You look sharp

Q: What’s the best thing about Switzerland?

A: I don’t know but the flag is a big plus

Q: Why did the tree go to the dentist?

A: To get a root canal

Q: What kind of shoes do spies wear?

A: Sneakers



