

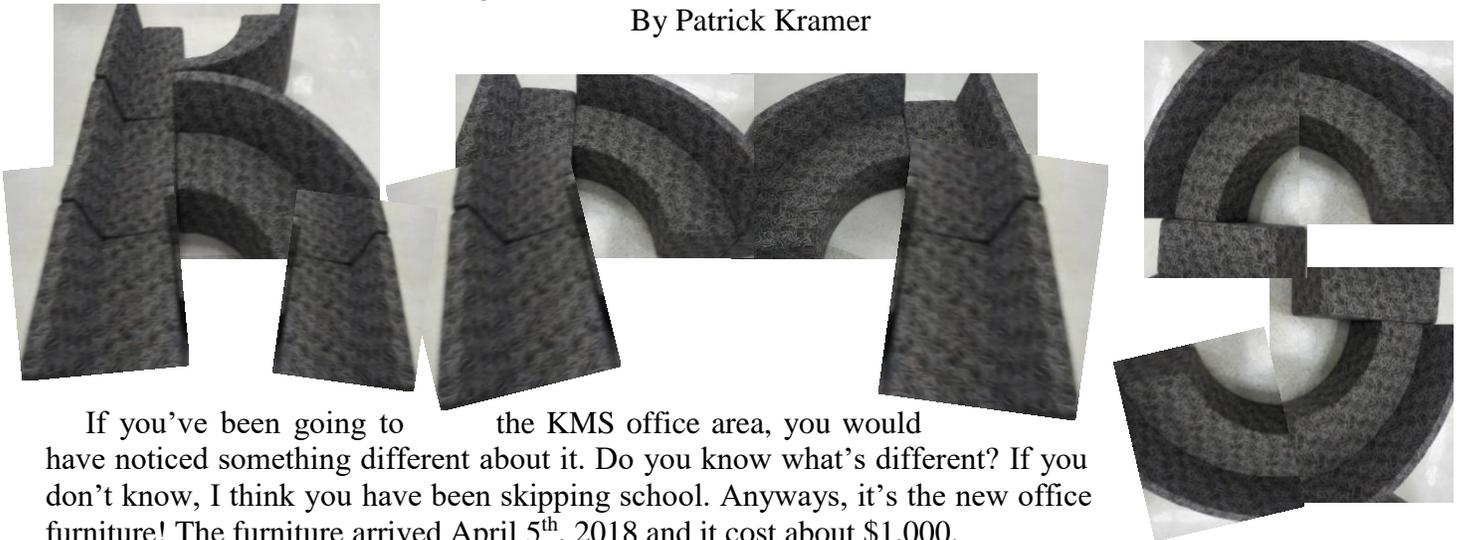
# KMS PURPLE PAGES

*Kenai Middle School  
Kenai, Alaska  
April 2018*



## Fancy Office Firm-iture

By Patrick Kramer



If you've been going to the KMS office area, you would have noticed something different about it. Do you know what's different? If you don't know, I think you have been skipping school. Anyways, it's the new office furniture! The furniture arrived April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and it cost about \$1,000.

Mr. Dosko said he ordered it in September of last year. He got rid of the old furniture because it was worn out and had become a safety issue. People would come to school and see it and it gave us a bad impression. Mr. Dosko also said it was a good choice because they wanted to change the office area.

Students are saying the couch is a little firm, but Mr. Dosko said that it's institutional furniture and not a place to hang with friends, just a waiting area. I found Mr. Pepper on the couch one day and I asked him for a rating. Mr. Pepper gives it four stars because it's big, and you can hang with friends, but the down side is it's a little firm.

*Q: What did one couch say to the other couch from across the room? A: Your sofa away!*

## Ring Ring

By McKenize Coray

Did you wonder why the fire alarm went off on April 19? It happened during the 6<sup>th</sup> grade lunch. It wasn't planned, I can tell you that. I interviewed Mr. Tilly to find out what really happened.

Did you notice the big red fire alarm bell outside on the back wall? Apparently it's not a fire alarm bell, it's called a water gong. On another note, a pipe from

the bell leads inside to a secret hidden room with a lot of pipes and noise!

The City of Kenai has been testing water. When water stops flowing quickly, bad things happen. Somewhere around this building someone had shut off a water hose too quickly, and a spurt of water flew past the water hammer and up the pipe and to the water gong. If water hits the gong an alarm goes off.

If Mr. Tilly had to name this incident, he would name it "Gong for Lunch" but I would rather call it Bob!

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KMS Facebook, KMS website, and in your school g-mail!**

# Opinion-8-ed

By Rylie Sparks & Taer Nelson

This month's question for Opinion-8-ed was, "If you could be any food, what food would you be and why?" Here's what many 8<sup>th</sup> graders and one 8<sup>th</sup> grade teacher said:



Andie Galloway: "I would be a sushi roll because sushi is really good and it has a lot of choices (California, crunch roll, tuna lover, etc.)."

Rucca Gray: "SpaghettiOs, because I love them and I've eaten them since I was a baby and the O's are fun to play with."

Luke Cross: "I'm trying to think of the most repulsive food I can so that I can survive. Carrots... no, fish from Kentucky."

Nevaeh Olson: "I would be a pineapple because I'm sweet on the inside."

Jenna Streiff: "I would be a donut because donuts are amazing."

Samuel Roberts: "Burritos, because they're the greatest food ever and I'm pretty sure I've eaten my body weight in burritos already this year."

Logan Satathite: "Caramel, because I'm sweet and salty."

Amber Nash: "I would be asparagus because I wouldn't be eaten then. People don't like asparagus."



Ms. Stotz: "Ice cream, because most people are happy to see me, but I cause some people pain or discomfort due to my coldness."

Valerie Villegas: "I would be Takis because I'm hot! Lol."

Dillon Hanson: "A bruised banana, because nobody would eat me."

Brooke Ashley: "I would be a baked potato because yes!"

Owen Plumridge: "I would be a squash because I love squash."

Shawna Tickett: "I would be popcorn because it is like my personality."

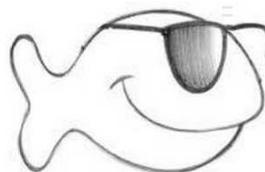
Johann Carranza: "The cow from Japan because they massage it and feed it wine, and it's supposed to be the best beef."

Julianna Hamilton: "I would be a tomato because no one really accepts me into their group and no one understands me."

David Martin: "Lima beans, because everybody hates me..."

Cooper Grimm: "A moldy egg, because nobody will open me and wake me up and I can sleep forever."

2 Taylor Huett: "Goldfish, because you get to smile back at people."



# Did you know...?

By McKenize Coray

... that KMS used to have over 700 lockers?

... that there are 23 toilets in this school?

... that there used to be bathrooms at the ends of the hallway downstairs?

... that about 12-15 years ago the big fish picture in the cafeteria was hung up?

... that all the classrooms have an emergency red light in one light in case of power outages?

... that KMS became a school in the 1970's?

... that some KMS teachers had Mr. Summer as their history teacher?

... that the longest teacher that has worked here who is still working at KMS is Mr. Summer?

... that if you go down the stairs near the girls' locker room, it says gullible on the ceiling?

... that if you go down the stairs near the boys' locker room, it also says gullible on the ceiling?

# DID YOU KNOW?

# Can We Collect Enough Cans?

By Gavin Langham

Students have been collecting cans for mini courses. KMS collected 1080 pounds of cans this year. Mr. Wolf said previously KMS had only collected about 700-800 pounds. Mr. Verkuilen and Mr. Schlung collected the cans near the back of the school. The cans were then taken to the Soldotna Landfill and put into a giant shipping container.

Did you know that collecting cans is a competition with other schools? Mr. V said that KMS was looking good at winning the big school division with other schools like Skyview. Mrs. Smith said we collect cans to promote recycling and for competition. Did you know that KMS even gets money for collecting cans? We receive 20 cents a pound for the cans, so we will earn over \$200.



# Happy Campers

By Malena Grieme

What are the 6<sup>th</sup> graders most excited about for camp?



- Hannah Autry: Dessert
- Zeke Yragui: Camping
- Jaycie Castillo: The food
- Emma Beck: Capture the flag
- Victor Santana: I heard it's pretty gnarly
- Chloe Grimm: Hang with friends
- Emmalee Roney: 1. Sleeping 2. Eating 3. Eating
- Alexis Marquis: Hanging out with friends
- Juniper Espy: Staying up all night with friends
- Maeleigh Tuttle: The Fossil Hunt
- Kylie Verkuilen: Hiking and sleeping
- Ashlyn Potton: Staying in a cabin with friends
- Gracie Beiser: Play music, stay up late, and hang with friends

# Students of the Month

By McKenize Coray

Congratulations to these students for being SOM's for March!



8<sup>th</sup> graders Kaylee Miller, Gabbie Tews, Alex Martin, and Shannon Murphy



7<sup>th</sup> graders Bridger Beck, Frenlee Ann Dagomos, Marina Crabb, Brooklynn Reed, and Eva Sorensen



6<sup>th</sup> graders Victor Santana, Owen Smith, and Lauren Tureman

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"Be determined. Instead of just intending to try, do it!"

# Dylan Duniphin

By Patrick Kramer



Dylan Duniphin is in 8<sup>th</sup> grade and has three siblings, Daemon, Devin, and Devalynn. Daemon goes to this school too and is also in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Hmm... twins?

Yes, they are identical twins and it is almost impossible for me to tell the difference between them. One way you can tell the difference between them is that Dylan wears a long sleeved shirt and Daemon wears short sleeves.

Dylan likes to play Farcry, Rainbow 6 Siege, and, of course, Fortnite. Farcry is his favorite game because of the stories, and he thinks it is fun to fly in the wingsuit. Fortnite is his second favorite because it starts with 100 people that go against each other, and he really likes to build stuff. Finally, Rainbow 6 Siege is third because each different characters have its own abilities.

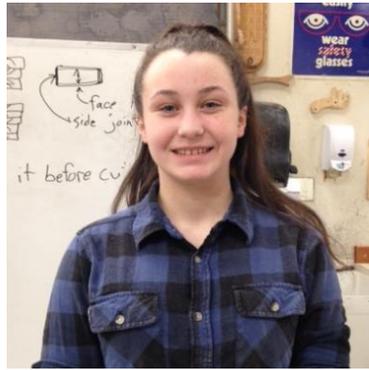
When he isn't playing video games, he is either doing school work, napping, or playing his most favorite sport, basketball. He likes basketball because he is better at it then he was at any other sport that he played and it's the most appealing. He said that he had a good basketball season this year for KMS B-team.

His favorite class is science, because he learns a variety of things every day, and he also likes to do labs. Recently in class, students did a chemistry experiment that he enjoyed. They mixed water with food coloring, bleach, and vinegar. The mixtures changed colors and bubbled. Then, they mixed them all together but nothing happened for 30 seconds, when suddenly, the mixture changed color again.

Even though Dylan has an identical twin brother, he has his own individual personality and interests.

# Julia Floyd

By Aleea Faulkner



Julia Floyd is an overall amazing person! If you know her, you would know even though she only comes to this school for

the last two periods of the day. Julia is home schooled but she says she likes it because that means she just gets to come for fun classes, shop and art.

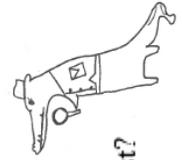
Did I mention her family has an exchange student from Japan?! She even sometimes brings cool soups or coffees to school made by her. Even though her exchange student friend has to leave, she and her family plan on inviting another one to stay with them.

She loves her so-called insane family and especially loves to play with her little brother and dog. She also loves hanging out with friends from her youth group and some friends from school, like Audrey Larson, and a few other people.

Speaking of Julia's family, she is busy working at the Ammo Can coffee shop in the mall. This means she is a barista! This is especially cool because she gets to sample all kinds of different coffees.

She enjoys roller blading, hanging with friends, and long walks on the beach. Some other favorite things of Julia's are the color (orange), her favorite food (chicken rice soup), and favorite killer (the murderous oven mitt, which is an inside joke).

Julia is a great person who is so inspiring with all of cool things she has sewn. My favorite was a pair of pants she made into a bag with a belt as a handle. You have to admit that's pretty neat, plus it recycles clothes. I'm so happy to have Julia as my friend because she is sooo nice, funny, and an overall amazing person!



“Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity, but I'm not sure about the universe.”

The four most satisfying words in the English language: *I told you so!*

“Do, or do not. There is no try.” –Yoda

Teacher: Why is your paper blank?

Student: Sometimes silence is the best answer.

Q. What do you call an alligator in a vest?  
A. An investigator!

# Mycka Phillips

By Kaden Quimby



Do you know who Mycka Phillips is? She is a 6th grader here at KMS who is really friendly and fun once you get to know her.

Mycka's favorite thing about KMS is that she gets to hang out with her friends. Her closest friend is Alexis Marquis. When they hang out most of the time, Alexis comes over to Mycka's house and they play basketball together. Mycka said that her favorite sport is basketball because it's really fun to play and she gets to play with a few friends like Alexis.

Her favorite class is art because it is really easy to do and fun. Sixth grade is cool for her because it's not confusing and most classes are easy. She is looking forward to 7<sup>th</sup> grade because of new teachers that she might like.

Mycka has four sisters and no brothers. One of her sisters lives with her and one lives in Ketchikan but she doesn't get to see two of her sisters. She has a dog named Minnie and they sometimes call her Minnie Mouse. Her family is normal, like they don't fight much.

In conclusion, Mycka is a cool, fun girl that you should get to know if you don't know her already.

# Readers Calling

By Chloe Goldsby



“Librarians save lives by handing the right book at the right time to a kid in need.” – Judy Blume. More than one book has “saved my life.” I know that there are probably people here at KMS who agree with me, right? But have you ever needed someone to help you find your “life saver”? I know I have.

Two people here at KMS that help with books are Ms. Gann and Ms. Brown, our school librarians. Ever wonder why they became librarians? Well, Ms. Brown became a librarian because she could still work with kids but without using lesson plans. Ms. Gann decided to become a librarian because she wanted to move to the Kenai Peninsula from Anchorage. Their favorite part of being a librarian at this school is because they want to interact with the students every day.

Have you ever wondered what a librarian's favorite book is after reading so many? Ms. Brown's favorite book is *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle. Ms. Gann's favorite book is *Gone with The Wind* by Margaret Mitchell. They both enjoy these books because they are adventurous and have good meaning.

Ms. Brown said that if she ever started her job over again she would do it the exact same and wouldn't change a thing. Ms. Gann said that if she could have she would have started her job a lot sooner rather than when she did. Ms. Gann also said that she HATES overdue books (obviously, she's a librarian!). Ms. Brown said that phones should be considered illegal in a library. She really, really, REALLY doesn't like phones in the library.

Fishing, hiking, going for walks, and just being outside in general are all things Ms. Gann likes to do after school and during the summer. Ms. Brown said that she “coincidentally” loves to read books she's never read and compare them to others that she has read. Overall, I think that these librarians really love their jobs and interacting with students. So if you ever have the chance to stop and talk to them, you'll learn a lot!

*“Just be yourself because you're unique and you'll shine.”*

# Dancey Dancers

By Marina Crabb



KMS students Katie Shears and Tabitha Kernan recently traveled to a dance competition in Los Angeles, California with their dance studio, Forever Dance Alaska. Dancers traveled from various states and countries to compete against each other. At the competition, dancers were separated into groups by age: Yellow for ages six through twelve, Orange for twelve through sixteen, and Red for ages sixteen and up. The panel of judges ranked the dances in categories: Honorable, Superior, and Outstanding.

Tabitha has been dancing since she was four years old. She likes dancing because she can express herself through her movements. Tabitha and her group performed a tap routine and ranked Superior for it. Tabitha's favorite part about competing is that she and her dance studio feel like one big family. She liked California because it was warm and she got to visit a wax museum and see the Hollywood Stars on the ground.

Katie loves that she can express herself and let out her stress when she dances. Katie's favorite part about competing is that she gets to meet new people and make friends from other places. She danced a hip hop and a tap routine at the competition and ranked Superior for both!

Both dancers did a fantastic job at the competition and had tons of fun in L.A. Great job, Katie and Tabitha!



# KMS CmPS

By Hermoine Lanfear

Community Problem Solving is a part of Advanced LA with Mrs. Nabholz. Students pick a problem in the community and try to solve it. CmPS is a part of the FPS (Future Problem Solving) program. Most schools who go to the State Bowl do GIPS (Global Issue Problem Solving). Here at our school we do CmPS. It is really fun and exciting! The 8<sup>th</sup> grade groups are:

- HHH paper recycling – a recycling group at school
- 4F-Food for Families and Feathered Friends – collects food for families in need and for chickens
- Gottaspork – healthy school lunches
- Christmas for Angels – raises money for Christmas gifts for children at Lee Shore Center
- PSYCH Art Club – after-school art club
- Kenai Beach – new fire rings
- SLAC-Swim Lessons for Alaskan Children – fun run to raise money for swim lesson scholarships
- Don't Get M.A.D! -Mental Blocks, Anxiety, and Depression – mental health class presentations
- FROST- Friends Rolling One Snowball at a Time – fun outdoor activities to fight Seasonal Affective Disorder
- Kenai Animal Shelter – fundraising to support shelter animals



Five of the ten groups recently attended the State Bowl in Fairbanks and two groups won prizes. Don't Get M.A.D! won 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and 4F won 3<sup>rd</sup> place, out of six displays set up in Fairbanks. Congratulations to all of the teams!

Editor's note: For lots more details about students' CmPS projects, check out the article in the Schools section of the April 30<sup>th</sup> *Peninsula Clarion*, written by KMS 8<sup>th</sup> graders Johann Carranza, Caitlin Crabb, and Luke Cross.

# 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Activities

By Kevin Chaffee

Every class has lots of boring stuff, like workbook assignments. But there are some really fun things in seventh grade classes like some of the stuff listed below.

In Mr. V's science class, we are working on three vocabulary assignments and a direct reading packet to learn about animal behavior. There are also word searches for extra credit, so you can improve your grade.

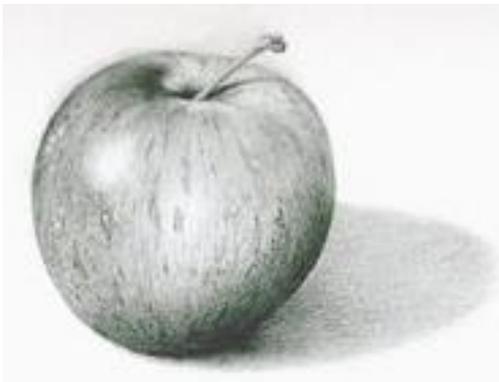
In Mrs. Newton's math class, we play Prodigy, Jeopardy, and Bingo. If we are lucky we can play on the computer if we have no homework to do that day. This is why Mrs. Newton's class is very fun. We also do some cool math assignments like Point the Dot. In Point the Dot we made Bugs Bunny on a graph sheet with an X and Y axis.

Mr. Felchle's class is awesome because he has cool vocabulary assignments and fun geography tests. We currently are doing one on Europe and there are 44 countries. As long as you have studied you will do good, and Mr. Felchle gives you advice on how much you should study per night. We also do fun paperwork and assignments.

Every Tuesday we have Questions of the Week. There are five questions about our country and government. He sometimes gives us a riddle for Questions of the Week. Mr. Felchle is a very funny teacher. He will pull your cheeks if you are falling asleep, and when the phone rings, he screams in a funny way. There is a current event blog every month about our world, and recently we did a current event blog on Personalized Learning.

In Mr. Gustkey's language arts class we are doing a very cool project, The Apple Project! You want to do your best, because it's graded on your art and your 4-8 sentences written every day. That is 5 points that you can lose so don't forget!

All you sixth graders better be ready, these fun activities will blow your mind!



# Leadership

By Erin Koziczkowski

Recently Leadership has been very busy. They have put together many activities, including but not limited to the activity night/dance, staff/volunteer appreciation, and some new bulletin boards. Some other activities we are planning now include 8th grade farewell and the spring open house.



At the activity night, we had the usual games like the cakewalk and the ring toss, as well as some new ones, such as the balloon pop and the Donut Killer. Some other events were balloon volleyball and rollerblading. The dance was High School Musical themed with various Wildcat decorations, such as jerseys and drawings.



On April 18, Leadership students gathered outside KMS at 7 a.m. to hand out free donuts and coffee (provided by Kaladi Bros.) to our volunteers to show how much we appreciate them. On April 25 (Secretaries Day), the whole leadership class went to the KMS office to thank the secretaries for all they do for our school.



Leadership is planning to celebrate some other staff appreciation days coming up, like Nurse Day and Bus Driver Day.

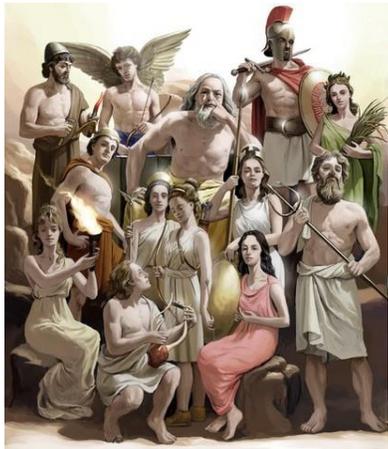
Look at the new bulletin boards around school and look forward to our upcoming celebrations!

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“Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened.”

# Mad for Mythology

By Hermoine Lanfear



Students in Mrs. Nabholz's LA7 class are working on a unit in mythology. Here is what some students said about the unit.

Ashlynn Baughn is very interested in mythology (kinda like how everyone should be). Her favorite myth is the story of Zeus and

Hera, because of the humor and conflict between them. She has been interested in mythology for three years, specifically Greek mythology. Her top two favorite goddesses are Aphrodite and Nemesis. Her interest started with fantasy stories then snowballed into her obsession today.

Aicha Kisena is a mythology geek. Her favorite myth is the story of the birth of Aphrodite. She first got interested in mythology because of the Percy Jackson series by Rick Riordan. (You should totally check him out, btw). Aicha started reading the books in 4th grade and hasn't stopped. She still reads those stories because of how unusual they are.

Aicha and Ashlynn are doing a project together about the goddesses Nemesis and Tyche, who are sisters but completely opposite; one is good and the other is bad.

Malerie Nunn is new to this 'group'. It is her first time going in depth about mythology in class. She knew about it but never really had an interest until this year. Her project is about the Egyptian gods and goddesses.

Jayna Boonstra has known about mythology but is now interested in a different way. Her favorite myth is one called "You Gotta Love Aphrodite." She first was interested by reading fables and stories, probably in 3rd grade. Her project is about the myth "Artemis Unleashes the Death Pig." That one sounds very interesting!

Mrs. Nabholz's LA 7 class are certainly busy learning and doing projects on mythology! Mythology is very interesting and I highly recommend everyone to read at least a little bit.

# Locked-in Survivors

By Aleen Faulkner

This last March 30, Mr. Verkuilen put on an amazing lock-in to pay for the KCHS girls soccer uniforms. This lock-in was so much fun, with fear factor, soccer, and even war ball, and at the end we celebrated with all sorts of cool prizes.

Fear factor was definitely a favorite. It had three challenges, and one of them was to dig a piece of gum out of a bowl of wet dog food and blow a bubble with it. The second challenge was to put on a blindfold and stick your hand in a cage of crickets while one of your friends tried to explain where a green paper clip is. And last but not least you had to roll up your sleeves and try to catch as many fish as you could and put them in a bowl, but you had to do all this in 30 seconds. Ayla Tallent was the overall winner!!!

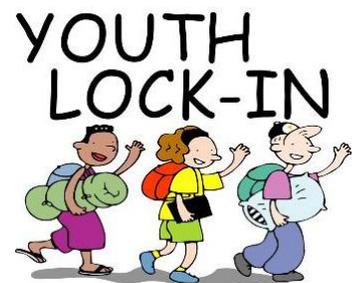
Soccer was the thing to do at this lock-in. The winning team included Dillon Hanson, Logan Satathite, and Samuel Baisden; they did so well and definitely deserve the glory. Good job, guys!

Some students at the lock-in wanted to give us some pros. Cody Good said he was glad it was inside, and Ransom Hayes said he liked playing hide and seek with his friends and playing war ball. Speaking of war ball, between foot sweat and BO, you could say even Mrs. Zorbas would be impressed! Mr. Felchle brought his son, who totally kicked all the middle school kid's butts.

Overall, everyone had a great time. Well, except Frenlee Dagomos, who didn't end up going. She said she was happy but mostly sad.

At the end of this adventure, then came awards!!! Some awards were stuffies and some were fish, the ones used in the fish activity during fear factor. Everyone seemed to love the fish, but as for Rowyn Clucas, he said he was very happy his fish died because it was best friends with its apple. I'm guessing he did not approve of the relationship.

At the end of the lock-in I could really tell everyone just wanted to give a big thank you to Mr. V. It was an amazing night and we wouldn't have been able to do it without him and all the other volunteers and donations. I definitely think we should do this next year because it was super fun plus it went to a great cause!



# What Sports Did KMS Staff Play in Middle School?

By Gavin Langham

In this quiz, you will be matching KMS staff to the sports that they played in middle school. Go around and ask these staff members what sports they played. This contest is open to all KMS students, including reporters in journalism (except Gavin, of course). Write each person's name on the correct line (all 16 are used). Cut out this article, write your name on it and turn it into Mrs. Nabholz by Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> for a chance to win a prize!

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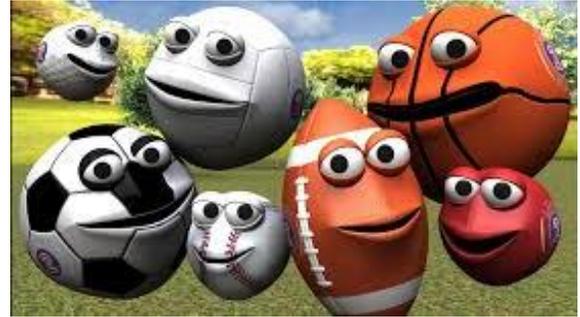
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- Football
- Volleyball
- Basketball
- Volleyball, hockey
- Cheerleading, dance
- Basketball, volleyball, track
- Horseback riding, bull riding
- Volleyball, soccer, basketball
- X-Country, wrestling, basketball
- Soccer, softball, distance running
- Basketball, football, track, baseball
- Track, volleyball, soccer, basketball
- Soccer, volleyball, basketball, softball, track
- Curling, football, badminton, hockey, baseball
- Volleyball, basketball, softball, track, gymnastics, flag football



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| Mr. Beck    | Mr. Gustkey | Mrs. Nabholz   | Mrs. Tews   |
| Ms. Brown   | Mrs. Holmes | Mrs. Satathite | Mr. Tilly   |
| Nurse Dixie | Ms. Johnson | Mrs. Smith     | Mrs. Vann   |
| Mr. Dosko   | Mr. LeClair | Ms. Stotz      | Mrs. Zorbas |



## JOURNALISM

### PLAYLIST

By Ella Yragui

You know how some teachers will let you listen to music to help you "focus"? In journalism we are all working on separate projects, and we all have different taste in music. Well, these are only SOME of the songs we listen to.

- Max Schneider- "Turn the Lights Down Low"
- Imagine Dragons- "Whatever It Takes"
- 5 Seconds of Summer- "Want You Back"
- Glenn Travis- "Feel My Love"
- Dani and Lizzy- "Dancing in the Sky"
- Poo Bear- "Hard 2 Face Reality"
- Luis Fonsi and Daddy Yankee- "Despacito"
- Bea Miller- "Sweet Little Unforgettable Thing"
- Verna Hills- "The Wheels On the Bus"
- Maroon 5- "Don't Wanna Know"

- Nick Jonas- "Jealous"
- Flo Rida- "Low"
- Michael Jackson- "Thriller"
- 'Weird Al' Yankovic- "Fat"
- Selena Gomez- "Wolves"
- Sublime- "Santeria"
- Justin Bieber- "Baby"
- Zayn Malik- "Pillow Talk"
- Shawn Mendes- "Mercy"
- Zedd- "The Middle"

# Doppelgangers

By Ella Yragui

According to Dictionary.com a doppelganger is a “look-alike or double of a living person, sometimes portrayed as a paranormal phenomenon, and in some traditions as a harbinger of bad luck.” What they are saying is that a doppelganger is a person who looks like another person, but they are not related, and they are bad luck. Here are some students at KMS who kind of look like celebrities.

**Justin Bieber & Dawson Lockwood**



**Alyson Hannigan & Alea Faulkner**



**Taylor Swift & Malena Grieme**



# A Head Start

By Rylie Sparks

This year's track season is off to a wonderful start, with over one hundred kids! There are 14 events athletes can do: 100 meter, 200 meter, and 400-meter sprint; 800 meter and 1600-meter long distance; long jump, triple jump, and high jump; 100-meter hurdles; shot put, and discus. There are also three relays: 4 by 100, 4 by 200, and 4 by 400 meter.

There are six coaches: Mr. Felchle, Ms. Stotz, Ms. Newton, Ms. Lucas, Mr. LeClair, and Mr. Schlung. Mr. Felchle is the head coach. He coaches sprints, triple jump, and relays. He's been coaching for a long time, 20 years! He has two amazing managers to help him, Hailey Followell and Eva Sorensen.

Triple jump is a complex jump. If your left foot is your dominant foot you want to start jumping off that foot, and if you're right dominant then your right foot. You get a running start, then jump off your left foot back onto your left foot again. In a quick second, jump off your left onto your right, and lastly land with both feet in the pit. To get yourself farther, you want to reach like you're swimming in the air. Don't pass the line because they won't measure your jump!

Now, long jump is easier. You still have a running start but there is only one jump into the pit. When you hit the last white line on the board you jump and almost sit in the air reaching forward. The judges will measure from the white line to the closet point you landed in the pit. Like in triple, if you cross the line you scratch and they won't measure that jump. With long jump and triple jump, you get two jumps in total and they count the longest.

We will have lots more news about the track athletes in the May issue!



# Nurse Dixie

By McKenize Coray

Nurse Dixie has taken care of most of us. She is the most caring, wonderful, goofy nurse this school has ever had. All of us are so thankful for her! Thank you, Nurse Dixie!



Nurse Dixie: Did you wash your hands?

Student: Yes...

Nurse Dixie: Did you use soap?

Student: Yes...

Nurse Dixie: Did you use water?

Student: \*walks back to the sink\*

Nurse Dixie: How are you doing after swallowing all those dimes and nickels?

Student: No "change" yet!

## May Birthdays

By Gavin Langham

- Aicha Kisena – 1<sup>st</sup>
- Jaden Garner – 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Maccoy Castillo – 4<sup>th</sup>
- Cooper Bernard – 4<sup>th</sup>
- Lily Lanahan – 4<sup>th</sup>
- Ryan Crapps – 5<sup>th</sup>
- Ethan Pyatt – 6<sup>th</sup>
- Brandiee Bowers – 12<sup>th</sup>
- Maeleigh Tuttle – 13<sup>th</sup>
- Jeremiah Kvasnikoff – 13<sup>th</sup>
- Leah Fallon – 13<sup>th</sup>
- Amber Nash – 15<sup>th</sup>
- Ryan Baughn – 15<sup>th</sup>
- Brooke Ashley – 16<sup>th</sup>
- Ambrosia Lawrence – 19<sup>th</sup>
- Daemon Duniphin – 21<sup>st</sup>
- Dylan Duniphin – 21<sup>st</sup>
- Michael Schmidt – 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Hope Broussard – 22<sup>nd</sup>
- TJ Anderson – 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Lianna Carranza – 24<sup>th</sup>
- Sierra Moffis – 25<sup>th</sup>
- Caydne Bornowski – 26<sup>th</sup>
- Nolan Rogers – 27<sup>th</sup>
- Emily Huffer – 28<sup>th</sup>
- Mrs. Navarre – 28<sup>th</sup>
- Mr. Gustkey – 29<sup>th</sup>
- Kaden Quimby – 31<sup>st</sup>



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## Purple Pages Challenge

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_

Wow, you're bravely about to take the second-ever PP Challenge! This contest is open to all KMS students except reporters in journalism. Read through this month's issue of the Purple Pages to find the answers to all of the following questions. Fill in your answers, write your name and grade level, cut off this page, and turn it in to Mrs. Nabholz in Room #13 by the office. Entries with the most correct answers will be entered in a drawing for some fun prizes. Entries are due by 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.

1. What adjective do people use to describe the new office furniture? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How many pounds of aluminum cans did KMS students collect this year? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What is Dylan Duniphin's favorite class? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What is Ms. Brown's favorite book? \_\_\_\_\_
5. At the lock-in on March 30<sup>th</sup>, what did students have to dig out of wet dog food? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Whose birthday is on May 28<sup>th</sup>? \_\_\_\_\_
7. In what year was the first anime created? \_\_\_\_\_



## Unicorn Utopia

By Talia Tepp

Unicorns are everywhere nowadays, from unicorn hair to the sugar-filled Unicorn Frappe. Unicorns are most definitely taking over the whole new generation. As described throughout much of literature, the unicorn is reputed to look



somewhat like a white horse, although it has a long, twisted horn protruding from its forehead. There's actually not much deep history on this beautiful creature, although throughout history it has been in many paintings. Maybe it was influenced by the sea-unicorn, the Narwhal. I believe this whole unicorn trend started with people's love for MAGICAL AND RAINBOW things, and I could agree with that on a highly personal level, like so personal, THEY ARE BEAUTY!!!

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Q: What game do you NEVER EVER play with a unicorn?

A: Leap frog!

Person 1: For Christmas I want a unicorn.

Person 2: Be realistic...

Person 1: Okay, I want a boyfriend.

Person 2: Okay, so what color unicorn do you want?



## What's Your Unicorn Name?

By Kaden Quimby

If you ever wondered what your unicorn name is, then match up the first letter of your first name with the words below to find your first name.

- A. Mystic
- B. Lemonade
- C. Moonbeam
- D. Rainbow
- E. Princess
- F. Whirlwind
- G. Twilight
- H. Glimmer
- I. Joyful
- J. Sunbeam
- K. Emerald
- L. Ladybug
- M. Violet
- N. Confetti
- O. Breezy
- P. Sparkle
- Q. Butterfly
- R. Daffodil
- S. Fancy
- T. Duchess
- U. Sassy
- V. Sprinkle
- W. Queen
- X. Amethyst
- Y. Gracious
- Z. Bumblebee



For your last name, match up the month you were born with the name on this list.

- January-Crystal Dazzler
- February-Twinkle Sweet
- March-Glitter Blossom
- April-Nimble Flower
- May-Snowflake Dream
- June-Cloud Jumper
- July-Raindrop Mist
- August-Spirit Dancer
- September-Moon Clover
- October-Feather Wind
- November-Starshine Blazer
- December-Frost Fire

Editor's note: This unicorn name game came from a box of Kellogg's Unicorn cereal, which pretty much appears to be blue, purple, and pink Fruit Loops!

# Bunny Butt Cupcakes

By Chloe Goldsby & Malena Grieme

Try this incredibly delicious recipe to kick off the spring season! We hope you have a fascinating time making this cute treat with your friends and family! This recipe was provided by McCormick. 😊

## Materials Needed

- 1 package (2-layer size) white cake mix
- 1 tablespoon plus 2 teaspoons pure lemon extract, divided
- 1 tablespoon pure vanilla extract
- 3/4 cup white chocolate chips
- 1 cup (2 sticks) butter, softened
- 1 box (16 ounces) confectioners' sugar
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 10 drops green food coloring
- 1 to 2 drops red food coloring
- 12 large marshmallows, halved crosswise
- 3 tablespoons white nonpareil sprinkles



## Create the Cupcakes

Prepare cake mix as directed on package, adding 1 tablespoon of the lemon extract and vanilla. Spoon 3 tablespoons of batter into 24 paper-lined muffin cups. Bake as directed on package for cupcakes. Cool cupcakes on wire rack.

## Assemble the Bunny Feet

Meanwhile, for the bunny feet, microwave white chocolate chips in medium microwavable bowl on high 30 seconds. Stir, then return to microwave and heat in 10-second increments until mostly melted. Stir until completely melted and smooth. Spoon into pastry bag or resealable plastic bag. Snip a small corner from bag. Pipe out 24 pairs of bunny feet using the melted white chocolate onto parchment or wax paper-lined cookie sheet. Try to make pairs that are the same size. Use a toothpick to smooth out any bumps or rough edges, and gently tap the cookie sheet on the counter to help the white chocolate settle. Allow white chocolate to harden (2 minutes in the freezer or 15 minutes in the refrigerator).

## Arrange for the Frosting

For the frosting, beat butter and remaining 2 teaspoons lemon extract in large bowl until light and fluffy. Gradually add confectioners' sugar, beating well after each addition and scraping sides and bottom of bowl frequently. Add milk; beat until light and fluffy. If frosting is too thick to spread, gradually beat in additional milk. Remove half of the frosting and place into medium bowl. Add green food color; mix until evenly blended. Spoon into pastry bag fitted with a grass decorating tip. Set aside. Remove half of the remaining frosting into small bowl. Add 1 to 2 drops red food color; mix until light pink. Spoon into another pastry bag or resealable plastic bag. Snip a very small corner from bag. (The remaining white frosting will be used for the bunny tails.)

## Prepare for the Details

Using the pink frosting, pipe out 3 toes and the padding on each bunny foot. Once the frosting has set (about an hour) gently press down on the pink frosting with your finger to create a smoother, cleaner look. To assemble the cupcakes, pipe green frosting onto each cupcake in a series of short motions to create individual grass spots. Cover the top of each cupcake completely.

## For the Bunny Butts

Place cut sides of the marshmallow halves onto each frosted cupcake, leaving room for the bunny feet. Shape remaining white frosting into dime-sized balls, then roll into small bowl with white sprinkles to cover. Pipe a small drop of remaining pink or white frosting onto the top of each marshmallow. Press a bunny tail on top.

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# Otaku Nyūsu!

## オタクニュース

By Taer Nelson

Hello, and welcome back to Otaku Nyusu! By the way, that means Otaku News. I'm bringing you the biggest Anime and Manga News, my personal favorite shows and OPs, and some opportunities for new interests!

### Anime Showcase - Accel World



Here I am going to talk about an anime that I love and that almost nobody has heard of, *Accel World*. It is an anime and light novel series by Reki Kawahara. It takes place in 2046, in a world where virtual reality and augmented reality is a big part of life. The protagonist is an overweight middle schooler named Haruyuki Arita who plays an augmented reality game called Brain Burst, where players fight using personalized avatars. Under the alias Silver Crow, Haruyuki continues to level up to impress and help the girl he likes, Kuroyukihime, another player.

This anime, which was made by the creator of *Sword Art Online*, is a huge improvement from his other series. *Accel World* has way better characters simply because there is actual character development. Haruyuki is super shy and weak, and pretty much defenseless, constantly being bullied, but when Kuroyukihime gives him Brain Burst, he uses it to stop the bullying and begin to grow as a person. Also, Haru isn't overpowered like Kirito, SAO's protagonist.

In conclusion, *Accel World* is an amazing anime with great action scenes, fun and bouncy humor, interesting and diverse characters, and 24 episodes of good, non-filler content. It has a great soundtrack and average visuals, but is enjoyable nonetheless.

### Anime or Cartoon?

I'm going to break a common misconception, because it annoys me and I feel like it. If it's made in Japan, and it's animated, it's anime. If it's made in

America it's NOT ANIME. This is what we call a cartoon, or perhaps an animated series. Anime, in Japan, means animation. However, in any other country, anime is considered Japanese Animation. RWBY, The Last Airbender, and a few others are often falsely confused with Japanese anime.



### The Dawn of Anime

Many anime fans constantly and hopefully look to the future for new content, additions to their favorites, game adaptations, and virtually any bit of Japanese content they can squeeze out of *Cartoon Network* and all those shady sites on the internet (that I totally don't visit... or anything...). However, most Otakus don't even know where their life- er, anime, I mean- came from. That's why I'm going to quickly go over where it came from and how it evolved into the endless, addictive, widely crazed-over cash-grab that it is today.

The first anime was created in 1917 (see image on page 15), as an attempt to recreate the groundbreaking animation techniques being developed by France, Germany, the USA, and Russia. The oldest anime found that wasn't destroyed by the 1923 Great Kanto earthquake was called *Namakura Gatana*, and was a four-minute black and white clip about a samurai testing out his new sword.

It wasn't until the 1930s that anime started growing. Inspired by *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*, which was enjoying heavy popularity in the West, the first full length anime movie was created 30 years later. A mangaka named Osamu Tazuka created *Three Tales*, the first anime shown on television.

After an explosion of popularity for manga in the 70s, anime began to slowly become more normal, as manga was often animated later on. In the 80s, anime started to become more mainstream, with full seasons beginning to be produced by studios. In 2002, *Spirited Away* by Studio Ghibli won the Golden Bear Award for best animated feature and inspired a growth in new anime content.

Eventually anime started becoming popular even in the West, with anime like *Naruto Shippuden* and *Dragon Ball* exploding in the West during the beginning of internet streaming services. *Crunchyroll*, which started in 2006, was huge in the distribution of anime in the West. It was these events that brought us the addictive slew of diverse anime we have today!

## Overheard

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“Let’s go count, we are going to the boy’s bathroom.”  
“I need to sneeze, but it’s not coming out.”  
“My brain is full.”  
“Sorry, don’t let anything that big on the bus.”

“OMG, I was thinking of chicken nuggets, and there is chicken nugget.”  
“Hey guys, since we’re talking about alien toilets, I made Taylor toilets.”  
“I know a fart when I see it.”  
“I know a snort when I smell it.”  
“Let me kick my butt out the door.”  
“Did that kid just throw me?”  
“I spent the weekend in the high school green room dressed as a nutcracker.”  
Person 1 “I’ll take you with ketchup.”  
Person 2 “Well you would need to catch up.”  
“There is a lot of tea in this sugar.”  
“Supercalifragilistic-expialidocious, if you say it loud enough you’ll get a quite atrocious.”



## Anonymous Confessions

By Malena Grieme

*Malena’s a dork. - Anonymous*  
Anonymous,  
Can’t argue with that.  
–TheSpinachInYourTeeth

*Rylie and Dawson are dating. –Match Maker*  
Match Maker,  
\*very long high pitched squeal\* I KNOW!!  
–TheSpinachInYourTeeth

*I don’t understand*  
*Arianna Grande’s songs. –*  
*Grande Hater*  
Grande Hater,  
I’m gonna let Arianna’s fans deal with that.  
–TheSpinachInYourTeeth



*I have slept in a tote. –NOT SO FRIENDLY*  
*CARE BEAR*  
NOT SO FRIENDLY CARE BEAR,  
I have tried to mail myself.  
–TheSpinachInYourTeeth

## Bunny Butt Cupcakes

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### For the Finishing Touch

Place both bunny feet against the base of the marshmallow with the toes facing downwards. This treat was absolutely amazing! A tip to make this treat the best it can be is to make sure to prepare all of the ingredients beforehand. We hope this treat recipe goes well for you! Happy Spring!

### Reporter Reviews

–Colorful and tasty, and I liked that they were bright green on the inside! – Marina Crabb  
–Pretty DOPE! – Ella Yragui  
–I loved the green color of the cake batter. The bunny butt was a GREAT idea that would be good at Easter time! The only thing I would change is to make the frosting less sweet. – Alea Faulkner  
–Tasty! – Mac Coray



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Q: What do you call it when you get kicked out of your favorite online Japanese gaming website?  
A. Anime-shun!

# Overheard

By William Vaudrin

"I'm so happy, I should be arrested."

"Why are we talking about Steve Harvey?"

"Look at this bun."

"My goal is to look cute."

"This pig has problems."

"The snack that gets pay back, Goldfish."



"I'm scared, he got too close to my face."

"Ghosts are upon us."

Person 1 "I burned myself cooking."

Person 2 "You burned yourself on cocaine?"

"Does upside-down Spanish count as French?"

"How did I get two cards that said sleeping pills?"

"I like touching people's legs."

"Now I can go to the principal's office in style."

"Dye their hair like Cheeto hair."

"What is a polter-geest?"

"This makes me feel, stalked."

"Don't look at me with that tone of voice!"

"You have to move your hands to have wigglyitis. Geez."

"My biceps are out of control!"

"What a pretty little violet dress you have on little girl!"

"Sounds like a porpoise to me."

"I put Cheetos in my pants."

"No you're not clumsy, you look like Rapunzel."

"Patriarchy, because I don't want to wear high heels everywhere."

"Yess! I know that boys don't like sweaters."

Person 1 "I have to dispose of a rat."

Person 2 "Why?"

Person 1 "Because it's too comfortable."



"I'm sorry I broke you."

"Her singing takes care of the horses."

"The Little Mermaid is handsome."

What do you mean?"

"Oh, this paper is square! It's scaring me!!"

"Little free spit bubble."

"It's the only way I can do bones."

Person 1 "I'm dead." Person 2 "Oh cool."

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# Secret Questions

By Miss Advice

Q: What is Mr. Summer's middle name? – Neighborhood Stalker

A: Dear Neighborhood Stalker,

I did a little bit of online searching and I believe Mr. Summer could be Bob Ross, you know, the famous 70s painter on TV? We should put a little happy tree in his room!

Well, you see this is very, VERY top secret information. Sources say he's part of the Witness Protection Program, plus he's always saying he's trying to "pay his debt back to society." Maybe that's why this little secret is still unknown to school-kind.

I know about this little secret, you see, but I don't want to ruin my chances in his class next year, so I will merely hint to the answer. (Yes, I have given away that Miss Advice is in fact a seventh grader.) I would go ask him myself, but he would most likely kick my rear end out the door. So here's a riddle to figure out his middle name: What do sixth grader Smith, seventh grader Whicker, and eighth grader Plumridge have in common?

Q: Can you spell the word icup? - You

A: Dear You,

Not in my Christian column! Ha, just kidding, but this is super uper duper gross, so no, I will nicely decline this question.

Q: I have a HUGE crush on a guy two years older than me, is this okay and do you have any advice?

– P.S. I am a girl!

A: Dear P.S. I am a girl,

I believe it is perfectly O.K. I know people who are married and are like... 5 years apart? As long as you're happy it's absolutely fine, you do you boo! I suggest telling him how you feel... hope it works out!



