

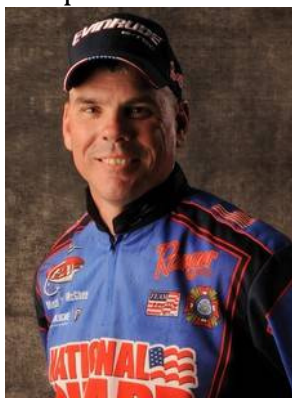


Fishing Club Looking to Hook New Members



The Kenston Forest fishing club, known as the Bass Assassins, is back in full swing. Again this year, the club sponsor is Fort Pickett Post Command Sergeant Major Michael “Doc” McGhee, a professional angler who is sponsored by the National Guard. The club has two different age divisions: 11-14 and 15-18. The Bass Assassins are part of the Student Angler Federation, which falls under the auspices of the Bass Federation.

The purpose of the program is to bring bass fishing to middle and high school students. Kenston’s club is not only the first in the in the Buggs Island/Gaston district, but also the first in the state of Virginia. The Bass Assassins regularly meet on Friday’s after ReFocus, during the meeting time. Practices are on Monday afternoons after school. Interested students can contact the main office at (434) 292-7218.



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Winter Sports and Senior Cap & Gown Photos Scheduled

On Fri 10 Feb, senior cap & gown portraits will be taken, as well as winter sports photographs (MS, JV, and varsity). The seniors’ caps & gowns will be provided by Prestige Portraits (part of Lifetouch Photography). Ladies are encouraged to wear open-neck blouses and men should wear a white dress shirt with a plain collar. Men should also wear a dark tie and should be freshly shaved.



Winter sports team photos will include girls’ and boys’ varsity, JV, and MS basketball teams and varsity and JV/MS cheer squads. Individual as well as team pictures will be taken. Coaches are encouraged to be in the team picture. Athletes are reminded that they must be in uniform to be photographed. The specific times of the winter sports picture schedule will be released at a later date via the morning announcements.

Vocabulary Enrichment Now a Part of Daily Life

Starting in January, a “Word of the Day” was introduced in the morning announcements. This section is designed to help students expand their vocabulary, by learning one new word each day. Administrators challenge the students to try to use the word at least once a day in conversation. There is a possibility of a prize being awarded if a student is overheard using the word.

Early Learning Center Open House

The ELC will be holding an Open House for Pre-K3 through 1st Grade during 30 Jan – 3 Feb. It is a chance for parents and children to interact and experience the wonderful environment. For more information, contact Frannie Schwabenton in the Admissions Office at (434) 292-7218.

Scholarship Opportunities

★ Virginia State Bar 2012 Law in Society Scholarship Contest. Open to: grades 8-12. Deadline: 4 p.m. 15 Feb. For more information: www.vsb.org/site/public/law-in-society or call Nancy Bridendine at (804) 775-0594.

★South Hill Jr. Woman’s Club Allison C. Walker Memorial Scholarship. Open to: juniors and seniors with a 3.0 or higher GPA who live in the Park View busing district. Deadline: 15 Mar. For more information: call Jessica Tudor at (434) 865-4256 or (434) 447-3458.

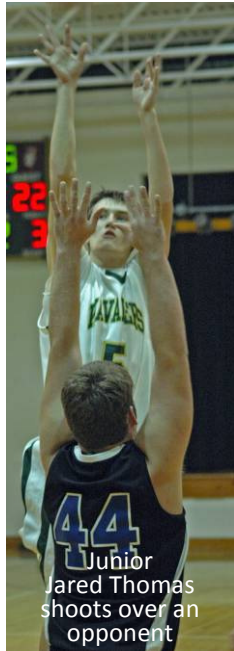
★ Blackstone Woman’s Club Scholarship. Open to: seniors living in the Blackstone community only. Deadline: 6 May.

★ 2012 Buggs Island Telephone (BIT) Cooperative Scholarship. Open to: seniors whose parents or guardians are consumer-members of the BIT and whose primary residence is served by the cooperative.

For additional information on these or other opportunities, contact the KF Guidance Office.

Varsity Boys Complete Season Sweep of Brunswick Academy

This past Friday (27 Jan), the Kenston Forest varsity boys' basketball team defeated Brunswick Academy at Kenston by a score of 62-57. Earlier in the evening, the Middle School and JV Cavalier teams both defeated their Viking opponents. The Middle School won 33-15. The JV team had a big lead but had to hold on for a 50-46 victory. The previous Friday, the boys traveled to Lawrenceville, where the varsity Kavs prevailed 72-51.



The squad has had its ups and downs this season. Illness and injuries have sidelined different players. Coach Eric Nash has found it to be a challenge to field enough healthy players to match up with opponents. The varsity Kavs are 4-7 in the VCC and 6-8 overall.



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The JV team has had some of the same challenges as the varsity with illness and injuries. Coach Debra Hood has her team at 5-6 in the VCC and 6-8 overall. Coach Tom Inge's MS squad has a record of 3-7 in the VCC and 3-8 overall.



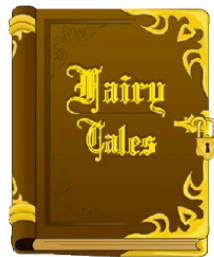
Drama Department Presents Two Plays

Be sure to come out to see the talented students and support the Kenston Forest Drama Department! On Saturday February 4, 2012, the Drama Department, headed by Allison Jones, will be presenting two short plays in the KFS gym.



The two productions include *How to Eat Fried Worms* and *Not-So-Grimm Tales*. The program begins at 7:00 p.m. with an admission price of \$3 for students and \$5 for adults. The performance is open to the general public.

The drama classes will present a preview of excerpts from these performances for the KFS Lower School students during ReFocus assembly on Fri 3 Feb.



The Drama Department has been a huge success over recent years with performances including *Beauty and the Beast*, *Grease*, *Dial "M" for Murder*, as well as several skit compilations.

Chances to Win an iPod!!

The KFS seventh grade class is raffling off an iPod Touch 8 GB with a 1 year protection plan and a \$25 iTunes gift card. Tickets are \$5 each, with the proceeds going to offset some of the cost of the annual seventh grade trip to Wallops Island. The drawing will be held during halftime of the varsity boys' game against Fuqua on 17 Feb. You do not need to be present to win.

The KFS eighth grade class is raffling off a Valentine basket full of goodies. The tickets are \$1 each and can be purchased from any eighth grade student. The basket is on display in Mrs. Carter's room (RM 3). All proceeds go toward the 8th grade for future events. Both raffles are open to anyone, not just those associated with Kenston Forest.

SPRING Sports Reminder

Spring sports will soon be starting practices. Sign-up sheets are in the main office. A current sports physical is required before participation. See Mr. Whitby with any questions.



Upcoming Girls Basketball

2 Feb: (V/JV/MS) Southampton @ KF
3 Feb: (V) KF @ Spirit Home School
6 Feb: (V) KF @ Christchurch

Upcoming Boys Basketball

1 Feb: (V/JV) KF @ Steward School
3 Feb: (V/JV/MS) KF @ Southampton
7 Feb: (V/JV) Steward School @ KF

Check the www.kenston.org news-weather-sports web page for driving directions, calendars, and details.