

# Wooden's Words

October  
2024



E-Learning  
Day  
Wed, Oct 9

## October Dates to Remember



- Oct 8&10 ■ Body Safety
- Oct 14–18 ■ Fall Break
- Oct 22 ■ Fall Choir Concert
- Oct 28–Nov 1 ■ Book Fair
- Oct 30 ■ Halloween Mixer



## OCTOBER CALENDAR at a glance

View the full school calendar [here](#).

### Anti-Bullying Month

#### Tuesday, October 1

- 4:30 p.m. Girls Golf Morgan Co Match @ home

#### Wednesday, October 2

- 5:30 p.m. Girls Volleyball @ JRW

#### Thursday, October 3 **Fall Sports Photos**

- 5:30 p.m. 8th Football @ JRW
- 5:30 p.m. Girls and Boys Soccer @ MHS

#### Friday, October 4 **End of Term 1**

#### Saturday, October 5

- 9 a.m. Girls Volleyball Morgan Co Tourney @ Eminence Jr HS

#### Tuesday, October 8

- BODY SAFETY–7th grade

#### Wednesday, October 9 **E-Learning Day**

- 3 p.m. Report cards on Skyward

#### Thursday, October 10

- BODY SAFETY–8th grade
- 11 a.m. Family Pantry @ JRW
- 6 p.m. 7th Football @ JRW

### Fall Break

Monday, Oct. 14 – Friday, Oct. 18

#### Monday, October 21

- 6 p.m. Parent Council @ JRW

#### Tuesday, October 22 **Vision Screenings**

- 7 p.m. Fall Choir Concert

#### Wednesday, October 23 **Picture Retakes**

### SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR MONDAY, OCT. 28 – FRIDAY, NOV. 1

#### Wednesday, October 30

- 2:30 p.m. Halloween Mixer

## PARENT COUNCIL MEETING

6 p.m. ■ Monday, Oct. 21 ■ JRW Library

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**JRW BOOK FAIR**  
OCTOBER 28 – NOVEMBER 1

### ANTI-BULLYING / RED RIBBON WEEK THEME DAYS

- MONDAY, OCT 28:** "Team Up Against Bullying" (Sports team/jersey)
- TUESDAY, OCT 29:** "Spread Kindness Everywhere" (Kindness shirts)
- WEDNESDAY, OCT 30:** "Wrangling Up Bullying" (Western wear)
- THURSDAY, OCT 31:** Wear your Halloween costume!

Visit [ybpay.com](http://ybpay.com) to order your yearbook **today!**



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## SHOUT OUT!

Shout out to Kylee Wingler and family for donating farm fresh eggs to the JRW Career Lab!

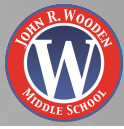


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## ABSENCES, DISMISSALS, APPOINTMENTS

To report an absence, change dismissal, or if you are picking your student up for an appointment, please call the attendance office before 2 p.m. at 765-342-6628 and choose option #1.

**JRW Athletic Event Prices**  
Students \$3 • Adults \$6

## MRS. FLOYD'S LUNCH GROUP

**Tuesday, Oct. 8**  
**Lunch A, B, and C**  
Please email [Mrs. Floyd](mailto:Mrs.Floyd@jrwooden.org) if you plan to attend.

## KINDNESS AMBASSADORS

The club will meet Wednesday, Oct. 2 and 23 after announcements in the Library Conference Room.

## BODY SAFETY

The Body Safety Program will be presented to the 7th grade on Oct. 8 and to the 8th grade on Oct. 10.

Based on the latest research and reviewed and endorsed by national experts, the program empowers children to spot and respond to bullying, cyberbullying, child abuse, and digital dangers. Most importantly, it teaches that adults are responsible for kids' safety, but there are also things kids can do to help adults keep them safe.

Information about the program and an opt-out form was sent home with your student.

**JRWMS CHEERLEADERS WILL PERFORM AT THE OCT. 4 MHS HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME. KICKOFF IS AT 7 P.M.**

## KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

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## Student Services

Student's last name A-L: [Jayne Mertz](#)  
Student's last name M-Z: [Lisa O'Neal](#)

**Student Handbook** – An electronic version is available on our [school website](#) under the Home tab or at [John R. Wooden Student Handbook](#)

## JRWMS Office Hours

Monday through Friday

7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

(765) 342-6628

**PRINCIPAL** Fred Kutruff

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL** Adam Peterson

**ATHLETIC DIRECTORS** Kala Brittain and Mike Johnson

**COUNSELORS** Jayne Mertz and Lisa O'Neal

# What is Fall?

Fall is where the weather is changing and leaves are falling. Fall has different meanings to everyone. The JRW Publication Class interviewed some students and staff to get their opinion on what fall means to them.

According to Averie Carpenter, Kayden Barwick, Logan Wolfe, Mr. Hansen, Sadie Thacker, and Karter Woodard, the definition of fall is football, wrestling, pumpkins, apple cider, leaves, family time, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and cute little dates. There are many things to do during fall break.

The top five historical things to do during the fall season are:

- 1) Pick apples at the Orchard
- 2) Pumpkin patch
- 3) Trick-or-treating
- 4) Thanksgiving
- 5) Fall Foliage Festival/Parade

Written by Mackenzie Willison & Madison Shipley



Averie Carpenter said, "I'm going to Panama City with my boyfriend."



Kayden Barwick said, "I'm going to sleep, eat, talk to my girlfriend and play COD."



Mr. Hansen says that his favorite football team is the Green Bay Packers, and he's very excited to watch them play because when he thinks of fall he thinks of football.



We would like to extend a big thank you to all who contributed to the Fall Fundraiser! We truly appreciate you supporting our students.



Vision screenings for 8th graders will be Tuesday, Oct. 22 during US History classes.

If you do not wish for your student to participate in our state required vision testing with the Martinsville Noon Lion's Club volunteers, please send a note to the school clinic declining this service.