

Wooden's Words

November
2024



November Dates to Remember



- Nov 8 ■ Midterm ends
- Nov 13 ■ Jazz Choir Winter Showcase
- Nov 25-29 ■ Thanksgiving Break



PARENT COUNCIL MEETING

6 p.m. ■ Monday, Nov. 18 ■ JRW Library

MRS. FLOYD'S LUNCH GROUP

Tuesday, Nov. 12
Lunch A, B, and C
Please email [Mrs. Floyd](mailto:Mrs.Floyd@jrwmiddle.org) if you plan to attend.

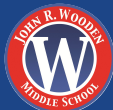
KINDNESS AMBASSADORS

The KA Club will meet Wednesday, Nov. 6 after announcements in the Library Conference Room.

TUTORING

If your student has been pre-approved from the State of Indiana for tutoring, please contact the JRW Guidance Department at 342-6628.

A tutor will set up day/time arrangements with you.



Food Drive

JRW Student Council is holding a Food Drive November 4-15. It will benefit the Gunner Burnam Food Drive.

Morgan Co Christmas assistance forms are available in guidance. Due by Nov. 27, 2024.

NOVEMBER CALENDAR at a glance

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

Friday, November 1 **Last Day of Book Fair**

Tuesday, November 12

- 5:30 p.m. 8th Boys Basketball @ JRW

Wednesday, November 13

- 3 p.m. Report cards on Skyward
- 7 p.m. Jazz Choir Winter Showcase

Thursday, November 14

- 11 a.m. Family Pantry
- 5:30 p.m. 7th Boys Basketball @ JRW

Monday, November 18

- 6 p.m. Parent Council

Tuesday, November 19

- 5:30 p.m. 8th Boys Basketball @ JRW

Wednesday, November 20

- 5:30 p.m. 7/8 Boys Basketball @ JRW

Thursday, November 21

- 5:30 p.m. 7th Boys Basketball @ JRW

Thanksgiving Break November 25-29

Tuesday, November 26

- 5:30 p.m. 7/8 Boys Basketball @ JRW

Visit ybpay.com to order your yearbook **today!**



ID Code
15094025
Deadline
05-22-25

Girls basketball tryouts are Wednesday, Nov. 6 and Thursday, Nov. 7 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Girls must have a valid physical on file to try out for the team.

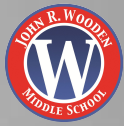


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Please follow our social media accounts for news, information, and daily activities happening at John R. Wooden Middle School. Click on the icons, and you will be directed to our pages!





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

21ST CENTURY SCHOLARS

Indiana's [21st Century Scholars](#) program provides up to 4 years of undergrad tuition to income-eligible students at participating colleges or universities in Indiana, as well as step-by-step guidance and support to make sure they succeed in college and receive support to finish their degree. Click [HERE](#) for enrollment eligibility information.

Contact JRW Guidance if you have any other questions.

Come to the JRW Jazz Choir Winter Showcase!

7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13
@ JRW Cafeteria

Jazz Choir members are Ava Armstrong, Anna Davidson, Kaydence Engle, Elsie Fitzsimmons, Micaela Forler, Madalynn Hansen, Denali Lane, Hailee Parrish, Gabriella Patrick, Barrett Rainwater, Daisy Smith, Troy Wiggins, and Verra Witt.

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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 Halloween?

It was believed that on that day, the souls of the dead returned to their homes, so people dressed in costumes and lit bonfires to ward off spirits.

The top 3 things people typically do on Halloween

1. Children go trick-or-treating
2. Attend costume parties
3. Carve pumpkins into jack-o'-lanterns

Why are sweets handed out on Halloween?

Trick or treating became popular in the US in the 1930s, when people used to hand out homemade baked goods, toys and coins. It wasn't until the 1950s when pre-packaged Halloween sweets entered the market, and it's now what households everywhere give out on Halloween night.

Fun Facts about Halloween by Raquel Leticia

- Early trick-or-treaters had to dance for candy!
- Black cats are harder to adopt close to Halloween
- Jack-o'-lanterns weren't always made out of pumpkins
- The popular tri-colored Halloween treat (candy corn) was originally known as "chicken feed"



Written by Kylee Wingler & Gracie Bentley

2025 FIELD TRIP DATES: MAY 6TH AND 8TH



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ADVENTURE PARK

TICKET PRICES

Pre-sale (Oct/Nov/Dec): \$35
Regular (Jan/Feb/Mar): \$40
Late (Apr): \$45
DEADLINE APRIL 15, 2025
After April 15: \$50

- Tickets include bus transportation, socks, and price of admission.
- Must return form and signed waiver
- May make a one-time payment or installments – must be paid in full before going
- Students with disciplinary issues after 3/1/25 will be ineligible to attend unless approved