

Wooden's Words

February
2025



MIDTERM Friday, Feb 7

February Dates to Remember



- Feb 1 ■ ISSMA Instrumental Solo/Ensem.
- Feb 8 ■ ISSMA Vocal/Piano Solo/Ensem.
- Feb 11-13 ■ Musical auditions
- Feb 12 ■ Midterm progress reports



PARENT COUNCIL MEETING

6 p.m. ♥ Monday, Feb. 27 ♥ JRW Library

MATILDA JR AUDITIONS: February 11th and 12th Callbacks February 13th (if necessary)

- You must sign up and turn in a completed audition form to audition.
- Find audition study materials in the Matilda Google Classroom.
- Those interested in stage crew must fill out an application and get teacher recommendations to be considered. See Mrs. Long in the choir room for an application. Applications are due by Feb. 14.

VALENTINE'S DANCE

6 to 7:30 p.m.
Wed, Feb 12
@ JRW gym
\$5 admission

- *Semi-formal optional
- *Concessions for purchase

JRW CHEER CLINIC

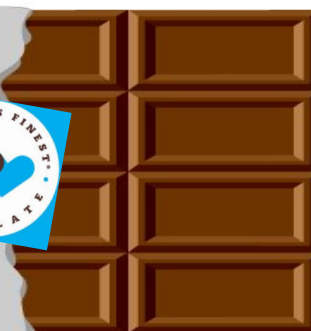
3 TO 4:30 P.M.

FEB 12 & 26 * MAR 3 & 12
UPSTAIRS IN THE JRW GYM

- * Open to current 6th/7th graders interested in trying out for JRW Cheerleading
- * Please wear athletic clothing and tennis shoes

SPRING CANDY BAR FUNDRAISER

- ❖ Our JRW Spring Fundraiser will begin February 27.
- ❖ Info sheets will be sent home toward the end of the month.
- ❖ Last year was a huge success, and we look forward to your support again this year!



FEBRUARY CALENDAR at a glance

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

Saturday, February 1

→ ISSMA Instrumental Solo & Ensemble

Monday, February 3

→ 5:30 p.m. 7/8 Girls Basketball @ JRW

Thursday, February 6

→ 5:30 p.m. 7/8 Girls Basketball @ JRW

Saturday, February 8

- ISSMA Vocal/Piano Solo & Ensemble
- 9 a.m. 8th Girls Basketball Morgan Co Tourney @ Monrovia MS

Tuesday, February 11

- 2:45 p.m. Musical Auditions Day #1
- 5:30 p.m. 7/8 Girls Basketball @ JRW

Wednesday, February 12

- 2:45 p.m. Musical Auditions Day #2
- 6 p.m. Valentine's Dance

Thursday, February 13

- 11 a.m. Family Pantry
- 2:45 p.m. Musical Callbacks (if needed)

Tuesday, February 18

→ 6 p.m. Wrestling @ JRW

Wednesday, February 19

→ 6 p.m. Swim/Dive @ MHS

Thursday, February 20

→ 5:30 p.m. 7/8 Girls Basketball @ JRW

Tuesday, February 25

→ 5:30 p.m. Wrestling @ JRW

Thursday, February 27

→ 6 p.m. Wrestling @ JRW

Follow us on Social Media

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!



Valentine's Day

What is your favorite Valentine candy?

“My favorite Valentine’s candy is Sweet Tart hearts.”
-Gracie Meadows

“I like the Conversation Hearts the best.”
-Catherine McGown

“My favorites are chocolate candy but mainly Hershey Kisses.”
-Joey Pemberton

“The Heart Sour Patch Kids are my favorite.”
-Grayson Ferguson



Written By: Abby Shinkle and Kinsey Mooney

2025 FIELD TRIP DATES: MAY 6TH AND 8TH



Urban Air

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

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



On Dec. 18, 2024, three Youth and Leadership Club members rang bells for the Salvation Army outside of Kroger as a community service project. From L to R: Rebecca Garrett, Bently Fisher, & Anthony Kenworthy. *Photo provided by Christa Mathews*

Helping with Habitat for Humanity

Every fall, MHS partners with Habitat for Humanity to build a home for a deserving family using almost exclusively MHS student volunteers. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old. Although JRW students are not yet old enough to help with the building, we can help in other ways. A handful of JRW students helped serve the MHS football team volunteer builders lunch on the first build day back in the fall.

On Sunday, Jan. 12, nine NJHS and Servant Leaders helped serve food at the Habitat for Humanity Celebration Banquet at MHS. Pictured below, L to R: Piper Price, Cate McGown, Karoline Garner, Allysun Smith, Raegan Long, Madison Wood, Kylee Wingler. Not pictured: Zach Crismore and Thomas Jackson. *Photo provided by Christa Mathews*



KINDNESS AMBASSADORS

The KA Club will meet **Wednesday, Feb. 12** in the Library Conference Room after announcements.

MRS. FLOYD'S LUNCH GROUP

Tuesday, Feb. 11
Lunch A, B, and C
 Get your food in the cafeteria and come to Room 11!



ybpay.com
 ID Code
 15094025
 Deadline
 05-22-25

ParentSquare



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



JRW Baseball Tryouts

Date: First or Second Week in March

Time: 2 hours (3pm-5pm)

Location: Outside, Martinsville High School Baseball Field



What to Bring:

- All necessary equipment
 - Glove
 - Bat
 - Helmet
 - Catchers Equipment (if you are a catcher)
 - Long Sleeves/Sweatshirt
 - Baseball pants
 - Cleats/Turf Shoes
 - Water Bottle
 - Hat

Transportation:

- Students are expected to arrive at MHS immediately after school lets out at JRW. They can be driven by a parent or guardian, or they may take their bus to the high school. Students who do not typically ride a bus, can ride bus 50 to the high school. Bus 50 picks up at door 10, at Wooden, shortly after the other buses depart. We will meet as a team, by the football gates no later than 3:00 pm. Students should be dressed and ready to go by that time.

Expectations:

- **All tryouts and practices will be closed to all parents/spectators. No exceptions!**
- Students must have a physical on file and all Final Forms paperwork must be completed prior to the first tryout date
- Students who met the grade requirements should attend all tryout dates, unless previously discussed with Coach Bunton
- Students should be dressed and equipped properly to tryout
- Parents should make arrangements for students to be picked up no later than 5:15 from the "circle" at the back of MHS
- **Students should give their best effort, be a teamplayer, and have a great attitude! A spot on the roster is always earned and never guaranteed!**

Please direct any questions to Mr. Bunton via email (steven.bunton@msdmartinsville.org)