Good evening Tigers this is Mr. W, principal of Kiser Middle School, with several announcements for the upcoming week!

Parents, please take a moment this weekend and check-in with your student about their progress toward their 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter goals they set back at the beginning of the grading period. I have asked each student to commit to three specific actions to help them either stay on track or help get them closer to accomplishing what they set out to improve from the beginning of the 2<sup>nd</sup> grading period.

Parents, a reminder that we stop with early student early dismissal at 2:30pm, so the staff and students can prepare for dismissal. Please be sure if your student has an appointment that you come before that time for dismissal.

Students and parents, now it the time to make your Kiser Yearbook purchase. Visit the Kiser website and click on the link for <u>www.yearbookforever.com</u> to make your purchase. The Yearbook is currently \$35. Also, 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents more information will be sent soon about your chance to purchase a shout out in the yearbook for your 8<sup>th</sup> grade student.

Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup> the PTA Executive Meeting will be on zoom at 6:30pm.

I want to thank the PTA and all our parents and corporate sponsors who helped us reach our goal of raising \$10,000 during our annual Raise Your Paws campaign!! This past week with a final push we made it just over our goal for this year!! Also, the PTA is putting together some staff appreciation gifts for the staff and has asked for parents to click on the Sign Up Genius link to sign up for certain donations. <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848A9AD28A75-gift">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848A9AD28A75-gift</a>

Come shop at Barnes and Noble for the holidays on Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at help support the Kiser PTA! See the attached voucher for Kiser's Barnes and Noble spirit night!

Attention 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents, now is the time to start thinking about high school options for next year. Please take time to review the information from Mrs. Ingram about the different high school programs, options, and application deadlines that will be coming up after winter break!

8<sup>th</sup> grade students and families, please mark your calendars for Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> for 6:30pm for our Virtual High Options Information Session. Mrs. Ingram will be facilitating a virtual session for parents to get more information about the different programs available to rising 9<sup>th</sup> grade students. Click on the link below to join the session:

Microsoft Teams meeting Join on your computer or mobile app <u>Click here to join the meeting</u> Or call in (audio only) +1 336-790-6553,,268891849# United States, Greensboro Phone Conference ID: 268 891 849# <u>Find a local number | Reset PIN</u>

- The first link is for general information (scroll down) regarding high school options, including applications dates, application process and frequently asked questions. <u>Magnet and Choice Schools / FAQ for High</u> <u>School Options (gcsnc.com)</u>
- This second link (scroll down to the chart, it has several pages) is for individual programs, click on the high school option of interest to learn more about and watch a video for the program. <u>Magnet and Choice Schools / GCS Magnet/Choice Schools by Theme (gcsnc.com)</u>

Please take a minute to read the attached flyer and consider donating a pair of socks for the homeless! Kiser is helping the Grimsley Junior ROTC with their annual sock campaign, and Kiser families can drop off a pair of socks to donate in the front office.

Athletic and Performing Arts Schedule for the next 3 Weeks:

- Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup> Basketball @Allen Middle Girls 4:45pm, Boys 6pm
- Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Concert 6:30pm
- Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup> Wrestling @Southwest Middle 5pm
- Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup> Basketball v. Southwest Middle Girls 4:45pm, Boys 6pm
- Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Concert 6:30pm
- Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> Orchestra Concert 6:30pm
- Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> Wrestling @Lincoln 5pm
- Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> Basketball v. Lincoln Girls 4:45pm, Boys 6pm

Quick Links & Information:

- GCS Bond Website and Information on Construction Projects: <u>Bond 2020 / Homepage (gcsnc.com)</u>
- PowerSchool Parent Portal Information click here: <u>https://www.gcsnc.com/domain/1873</u>
- Canvas Parent App Information and Sign Up: <u>https://www.gcsnc.com/domain/18372</u>
- The Kiser Parent Handbook for the 2021-2022 school year is available on the Kiser website here: https://www.gcsnc.com/Page/57339
- GCS Student Handbook and Code of Conduct for families. <u>https://www.gcsnc.com/Page/56547</u>
- Click here to submit a Lunch Application for the upcoming year, <u>https://www.lunchapplication.com/</u>

Thank you and have a great evening!

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