Hello Kenny Families,

The Minneapolis public Schools placement fair took place Saturday. We had over 40 families come to our booth showing interest in Kenny. Thank you to parents Ellen Strom and Nikki Lindberg and staff members Linda Halverson, Tricia O’Donnell, Luann Mishler, and Marni Lamberty who worked Saturday.

If you know of families with preschool children (or families with private, charter, or magnet school children), please let them know about upcoming opportunities to learn about Kenny. Kenny has a prospective parent night Thursday January 26 from 5:30-7:00 and we are conducting tours every Tuesday and Thursday. The tours are fantastic. Prospective parents are very impressed with the learning and climate we have.

Bill Gibbs, Principal

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**Dates to Remember**

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**March Magic**

**What’s new this year?**

The fundraising part of the evening will be an exciting raffle as well as opportunities to buy tickets to parties hosted by Kenny families and staff. Raffle tickets are $10 each (fully tax deductible) and you choose the prizes to enter your chance to win, which include:

- A stay at a Pacific Ocean beach house in Neskoowin Oregon that includes a $400 Visa gift card for expenses. For more information visit [http://www.homeexchange.com/show.php?id=86624](http://www.homeexchange.com/show.php?id=86624)
- iPad2
- 4 tickets to a Minnesota Wild game & Parasole Restaurant gift card
- Family fun kit with restaurant and activity gift cards
- Kenny Treasures gift basket full of gift cards from area businesses
- Tickets to a Guthrie play, stage tour and Guthrie restaurant
- Case of wine
- Insignia 42” LCD HDTV
- Xbox 360 4GB Console with Kinect
- Kindle Fire
- 4 Legend Club Level tickets to a Minnesota Twins game

All Raffle items are subject to change

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**Kenny Prospective Families Information Night**

**This Thursday, January 26th**

5:30—7:00 pm

If you know of families with preschool children (or families with private, charter, or magnet school children), please let them know about the upcoming Prospective Families Information Night at Kenny.
**Dear Kenny Fans, Friends, and Family**

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To receive all the latest info, remember to “LIKE” Kenny Community School on Facebook!

**Older Computers for Students!**

If your child qualifies for free/reduced lunch, you may be eligible to receive an eMac or PC that was previously used in the schools for your student to use at home.

If interested, please contact Dianne Kersteter, the Media teacher here at Kenny. You may send a note with your child, email (Dianne.Kersteter@mpls.k12.mn.us), or call (612-668-3340). You will need to pick the computer up from Kenny, should you receive one.

**Box Tops - Keep clipping!**

Whether you clip from items you already have at home or the office (Box Tops are on a surprising number of items) or if you help earn by shopping online, it is an easy way to help our kids and our school without it costing you any extra cash. Plus, there are more ways to earn by watching videos - visit www.BTFE.com and check it out!

The next Box Tops winner will be drawn Feb 1 for a reusable bag full of fun baking items! Be sure to include your child’s name and room number with your Box Tops for a chance to win!

It all adds up! In fact, we got over $600 to Kenny School just in our December check!

**Next PTA Business Meeting**

The next PTA Business Meeting is Monday, Jan 30 at 6:30 in the Media Center.

Besides some of our usual business, we will be deciding the remaining PTA events for this school year and next. We will review the survey results, but if you want to have a say, please join us at 6:30 in the media center!

**MAKING KENNY GREAT: Volunteers**

Thanks to all of our parents who volunteer at Kenny. Why do people volunteer? Let’s hear from a long-time family:

“We’ve had 3 daughters at Kenny beginning in 1997, our last one is in 5th grade. Kenny is a great school with great teachers and great families. All of our children have received a great education. Our oldest daughter is a sophomore at Macalester College. Kenny is great.”

Marvin Smith and Erin Zellner, Kenny parents since 1997.

**MAKING KENNY GREAT:**

Volunteer Bulletin Board

We have the following volunteer opportunities available:

- Volunteers to help plan the Science Fair, Tuesday, March 13. Time needed: Help 1-2 hours a week plan the Fair.
- Volunteers to help at March Magic, Friday, March 9. Work a table selling raffle tickets, work the backroom handling sales and receipts and more.

To volunteer, contact Lynn Barnhart at lynn@grasslake.net or Laura Ronay at laura.ronay@gmail.com.

**This Friday, January 27th is School Spirit Day!**

**PJ & Stuffed Animal Day!**

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