Weekly Newsletter
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No After-School Classes The Week of November 21st

Hello Kenny Families…
You will find the letter from Mr. Gibbs on page 3

TO THE BOOK FAIR... AND BEYOND!

Mark your calendars, check your holiday shopping lists and get ready to stock up on great books!

Kenny School Book Fair Sale proceeds benefit Kenny School

- Wed., Nov 30: 12:00 pm - 6pm
- Thur., Dec 1: 12:00 pm - 7pm

Family night is 5-7 and features a complimentary pizza dinner and presentations on Readers Workshop and Writer’s Workshop by Joyce Vanderscheuren, Kenny literacy specialist.

- Fri., Dec 2: 7:30 - 3:00 pm

Shop Local. Shop Kenny!

Can’t make it to Kenny during the Book Fair? Shop Online!

Convenient, easy and safe, Kenny Book Fair will be online Friday, November 18 through Thursday, December 7

http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/profile/login.jsp

TITLE I PARENT MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1st
4:45-5:45

Parent Meeting and Literacy Presentation followed by free pizza dinner

There will be No Newsletter next week
AND remember there is
NO SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY (11/23), THURSDAY (11/24) or FRIDAY (11/25)

Enjoy the time with your family
Help Us Celebrate our Love of Reading

February is “I Love to Read” month. In celebration this year, we are hoping to host a Family Reading Night. We would love to have some guest readers. Do you have any connection to someone that could be fun to have at our event? Maybe a person from the Gophers, Vikings or Twins? Maybe an author or illustrator? Any ideas would be greatly appreciated!

Please contact Nikki Lindberg (612-929-2199, nicole.lindberg@comcast.net) or Dianne Kersteter (Media Specialist, dianne.kersteter@mpls.k12.mn.us).

WSSA STACK UP CHALLENGE 2011

We will be having our WSSA (World Sport Stacking Association) Guinness Stack Up challenge Thursday, November 17th at 1:45pm in the gym. All 3rd-5th graders will be participating for 30 consecutive minutes to try and set a new world record for most stacking at multiple locations in one day. Last year’s record was 316,736! Wish us luck as we try to get, once again, into the Guinness Book of World Records!

Teaching learners to think on their feet!

Jennifer Johnson, Literacy Coach

Kenny After School Update

Can you believe that we are just past the halfway mark for fall after school classes! We wanted to remind families that there will be no classes the week of Thanksgiving, Nov 21-25.

We also wanted everyone to know that we are in the midst of planning our winter session. Please feel free to email us with ideas for classes: kristin.marshall@mpls.k12.mn.us.

MAKING KENNY GREAT: Volunteer Bulletin Board

Here are current volunteer opportunities:

Calling OUT OF THIS WORLD Parents to Help at the Kenny Book Fair!

We need volunteers throughout the day Tuesday, November 29 through Friday, December 2 to work at the Kenny School Book Fair. This is an easy one-hour shift commitment where you’ll be helping buy books or restocking shelves. It’s a great way to meet other parents, too!

To book your shift, contact Lynn Barnhart at lynn@grasslake.net by Friday, November 18.

Kenny/Armatage Parks Basketball Registration

Registration is now open for Kenny and Armatage Parks basketball programs. Sign up your child (age kindergarten through 18) at the following dates/times:

Armatage Park: November 10 & 17 (6:30-8:00 pm)
Kenny Park: November 8 & 16 (6:30 - 8:00 pm)

Note: You also may register at the Armatage Park Building during regular hours beginning November 18. Please contact Armatage Park at 370-4912 if you have any questions about registration.

Dear Kenny Fans, Friends, and Family - To receive all the latest info, remember to “LIKE” Kenny Community School on Facebook!

Making Kenny Great: Volunteers

Thanks to all of our parents who volunteer at Kenny. This week, we thank Dan Barrett who has stepped forward to lead the spring 2012 Science Fair, Laura Ronay, who will take charge of the June 2012 Staff Appreciation Lunch and Jess McLawhorn who will chair the Spring Plant Sale.

Thank you Kenny Volunteers!
Hello Kenny Families

Because of the traffic and safety hazards at the corner of 57th and Emerson, we moved the bus drop off to the kindergarten doors on 58th. 58th is also a snow emergency route so it will be plowed before the buses arrive at school. That door is reserved for buses and students who walk to school from the south. The door is open from 7:50-8:00. Parents should not drop off or park on the kindergarten end of the building.

All students who are dropped off at school should enter through the front door. Please let your child(ren) out on the south side of 57th or the west side of Emerson and the children will not have to cross any streets. We want your children safe and really think this will help.

We are still “battling” the city to get a four way stop sign installed at 57th and Emerson. Thank you for helping make arrival and dismissal safe for our students.

It was great to see so many families at Turkey Bingo. The turnout was fantastic.

Bill Gibbs, Principal
Kenny School

Map compliments of Nikki Lindberg