Hello Kenny Families,

It was great to see so many families at Turkey Bingo last night! The dinner was great, the children loved the prizes, and we gave 20 turkeys away. Special thanks go out to coordinators Janet Kupierz and Tom Beckers and their team of volunteers. It was a great Kenny family event!

Last week was very exciting as we had Election Day. We were able to showcase Kenny School to our neighbors in the community as Kenny staff and parent volunteers greeted voters when they came in the building. This was the first time many of our neighbors and former Kenny parents had the opportunity to see our entryway redesign and commented on how great it turned out. It was amazing to watch how the staff and families all worked together to make sure our children felt physically and emotionally safe.

Tomorrow is Native American Family Involvement Day. We will start the day off with the 5th grade Music Share Concert. Families are invited to visit the classrooms tomorrow and join your children for lunch. In today’s newsletter there is information on how people can contribute to Kenny School through “Give to the Max” which takes place tomorrow. This is a simple way to contribute directly to Kenny School. Please let your friends and family know about this giving opportunity.

Report cards are coming home in today’s Wednesday folders. This is one more way to provide you information on the growth and learning your child is making at school. Please contact your child’s teacher directly if you have questions on the information you receive.

What a great week to celebrate at Kenny School. Thanks for all you do to make Kenny the amazing community school it is!

Bill Gibbs, Principal
YOU’RE INVITED!

5TH GRADE MUSIC CONCERT!

WHEN: Thursday, November 15 at 8:15am
WHERE: Kenny Gym

Come hear what the students have learned this year, as well as the premiere of the long-awaited music video, “Feeling Proactive” starring 5th grade, Kenny staff and even a few parents!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Native American Family Involvement Day (NAFID)

Thursday, November 15 is Native American Family Involvement Day!

You are invited to start the day off with our 5th Grade Music Concert at 8:15am in the gym. Later, pay a visit to your student’s classroom, join them for lunch and even stay for recess! Lunch times are listed below:

- Kindergarten / 1st Grade: 10:40-11am (recess 11-11:20am)
- 2nd Grade: 11-11:20am (recess 11:20-11:40am)
- 3rd Grade: 11:20-11:40am (recess 11:40am-Noon)
- 4th Grade: 11:40-Noon (recess Noon-12:20pm)
- 5th Grade: Noon-12:20pm (recess 12:20-12:40pm)

WE’D LOVE TO HAVE YOU VISIT!
Participate in a Minnesota tradition: Give to the Max Day and support Kenny School!

CLICK HERE to donate!

Give to the Max Day is a day for Minnesotans to come together to donate money for nonprofits and schools in 24 hours on November 15th. You can participate and designate Kenny School! All funds donated to Kenny School during Give to the Max Day are used for programs that supports our science, social studies and enrichment curriculum. In the past these programs have included:

- Spring Musical Programs
- After School Programming
- Ordway Performance for all grades
- Journey to the Falls for 4th grade
- Mill City Museum trip for 3rd grade
- Three Rivers Park naturalist visits to Kenny School for all grades
- Scholarships for field trips

*While there are fees collected for participating in some of these programs, we continue to run short on funds. Mark your calendars for Thursday, November 16 and Give to the Max to support Kenny School! Tell your family, friends, and neighbors. For more information visit: https://givemn.org/organization/Kenny-Community-School-7860950

All gifts made using GiveMN.org through November 15 will be automatically scheduled to be processed on November 15, Give to the Max Day!

Thanks to MPS Culinary & Wellness Services, Kenny students will have the opportunity to put their taste buds to the test as they sample new flavors and foods.

Our first taste test of the year happens during all four lunch times on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 when the students will ALL have the opportunity to sample Harvest Hummus, a hummus made with pumpkin and Farm-to-School butternut squash. The recipe was developed by Naimah Mohammed, an 8th grader at Marcy Open School.

Looking for a few extra sets of hands to help pass out samples! Lunch times are as follows:

- **Kindergarten—1st Grade**: 10:40am-11am
- **2nd Grade**: 11am-11:20am
- **3rd Grade**: 11:20am-11:40am
- **4th Grade**: 11:40am-Noon
- **5th Grade**: Noon-12:20pm

Please contact Susie Friederich if you are available! Susan.friederich@mpls.k12.mn.us or (612) 668-3365

THREE CHEERS FOR ADVENTUROUS EATING!
Mark Your Calendar!

WHAT: Barnes & Noble Bookfair
WHEN: Monday, December 3 at 6:30pm
WHERE: 3230 Galleria, Edina

The Barnes and Noble Bookfair is right around the corner!
Have fun shopping and support Kenny School at the same time! Don’t miss it!

Kenny Glee Club will perform at 6:30pm
Proceeds raised will benefit the Kenny Media Center and the annual school-wide book giveaway in February.
Can’t attend? Visit BN.COM/bookfairs to support us online from 12/3/18—12/8/18
Bookfair ID: 12388864

KENNY SCHOOL ART DEPARTMENT WISH LIST:

1. PAINT STIR STICKS
2. SMALL (Grits/Oats, Coffee) AND SMALLER (Salt) CARDBOARD CYLINDERS, 16-18oz approx. (Such as: PANCAKE MIX, GRITS, OATMEAL)
3. LARGE OATMEAL CARDBOARD CYLINDERS
4. ODDS AND ENDS OF GLITTER, WRAPPING PAPERS,
5. PLASTIC CONTAINERS 5 OZ. and/or larger 32oz with lids, (Such as: SOUR CREAM, SALSA -AND SHREDDED CHEESE)
6. YARNS (ALL KINDS AND AMOUNTS)
7. RIBBONS ANY AMOUNT AND TYPES
8. ICE CREAM PLASTIC BUCKETS
9. WOOD PIECES FOR SCULPTURE BASES - About 6”x3”
10. FAKE FLOWERS, LEAVES

SPECIAL REQUEST:
Does anyone have a table saw to cut lumber for the art room? I have cut into smaller pieces for art bases.

Thank you, friends of the arts,

Mrs. Cynthia McGovern
Kenny Art Teacher
NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, November 21—Friday, November 23

Students return to school on Monday, November 26

NO ALC or Community Education classes on Tuesday, November 20 or Thursday, November 22

ALC and Community Education classes resume Tuesday, November 27

Please support our

Fundraiser Night

25% of sales brought in from our guests will benefit Kenny Community School!

Tuesday
December 11, 2018
4-8pm
Edina
6531 York Ave South
Edina, MN 55435

A big THANK YOU to all the Kenny families who made it to October’s Cooking Night Off event at MyBurger!

We raised $434.58, which will go directly back to the Kenny Parent Foundation (KPF) to help pay for upcoming events like Turkey Bingo!

THANK YOU, Kenny families! You’re amazing!
ANNOUNCEMENT

ANTHONY MIDDLE SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

Learn More About Anthony!
Meet Anthony Students and Staff!
Tour the Building!

WHEN: Tuesday, December 4th, 2018 5:00 – 6:30pm
- Presentation starts at 5:00pm in the school auditorium
  - enter through door #3 down by the lower south parking lot
- Tours start around 5:30pm right after the presentation

WHO: For NEW and PROSPECTIVE families of 6th – 8th grade students for the 2019-2020 school year

The School Request Center will be open mid-November!
For priority placement for the 2019-2020 school year, submit your request by Feb 8, 2018.
Go online to: schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us

Susan B. Anthony Middle School
5757 Irving Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55419
anthony.mpls.k12.mn.us  612-668-3241

ib Middle Years Programme
CHECK IT OUT
CHESS TOURNAMENT

WHEN: Saturday, December 1st, 2018 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm (Check-in from 8:30am – 9:00am)

WHERE: Lake Nokomis - KEEWAYDIN 5209 30th Ave S Minneapolis, MN 55417

Minneapolis Public Schools (MPS) invites you to attend the first CHECK IT OUT chess tournament of the 2018-2019 school year. Come and enjoy friendly competition between youth across the MPS district!

The Check It Out Tournament is FREE and open to all MPS K-12 students. This fun and casual chess tournament is for players of all levels and includes a lite breakfast and lunch for participants and families. Students do NOT need to be participating on a team to register. Individuals will automatically represent their school team.

Individual and Team trophies for K-3, 4-6 and 7-12 sections! Check It Out is a family-friendly event and parents are encouraged to spend the day at the tournament supporting their child and learning more about chess.

TOURNAMENT AGENDA (times subject to change):

8:30am – 9:00am Check-in for players and families
9:00am – 9:15am Welcome and Announcements
9:15am – 12:15pm Chess matches begin
12:15pm – 1:00pm Lunch for players and families
1:00pm – 3:15pm Chess matches resume
3:15pm – 4:00pm Awards Ceremony

DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT:

- We will attempt to feed all those that attend but our priority are the players
  - Please plan accordingly in the case that we run out of food
- If you know you will arrive late or leave early, please let Janae know!
- We invite only positive, respectful attitudes from all attendees

Information and Registration for Parents and Coaches at: [http://alc.mpls.k12.mn.us/chess](http://alc.mpls.k12.mn.us/chess)

Questions? Call or email Janae Krantz-Odendahl in Student Engagement (612) 668-1202

(Habla Español) E | janae.krantz-odendahl@mpls.k12.mn.us

***REGISTRATION IS OPEN: [CLICK HERE](http://alc.mpls.k12.mn.us/chess)***
November Holiday Resources

**Messiah Lutheran**
**Holiday Program**
Messiah Lutheran Church
2400 Park Ave, Minneapolis, MN, 55404-3713
(612) 871-8831

**Faith Tabernacle**
Thanksgiving baskets, call Beverly 952-994-6814
2501 Taylor St NE Minneapolis
Starts Oct. 24th

**Fare For All**
Holiday are $30 and will be available at all sites starting October 30th! Our last sale for the month is Tuesday, November 20th, Limit 1 per household. Quantities limited.
Location Northpoint Wellness: 1315 Penn Ave. N Minneapolis, Minnesota 55411 Available Dates: Friday 10:00 AM-Noon: Nov 16, Dec 21
Location: 901 14th Ave NE, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55413. Available Dates: Friday 11:00am — 1:00pm: Nov 9, Dec 7
Location: 2500 Bloomington Ave S, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55404. Available Dates: Friday 1:00 — 3:00pm: Nov 9, Dec 14

December Holiday Resources

**Good in the Hood**
Only those who participate in our Thanksgiving basket program will be considered for our Adopt-A-Family program. With this in mind, those interested in registering for this program must register “in person” (I.D. required for the entire family) at one of our approved food shelf programs. Please contact us at info@goodinthehood.org for specific program registration information. Location are below:

**Cedarcrest Church (Administrative Offices)**
1630 E 90th St.
Bloomington, MN 55425
(612) 440-SHOE (7463)

**First Stop Drop-in Center**
(in the Lutheran Colportage building)
2101 Chicago Ave. S
Minneapolis, MN 55404
Open M-F 12:00-5:00 pm

**Shoe Away Hunger Warehouse**
8629 Wyoming Ave. N
Brooklyn Park, MN 55445
*Location not open to the public by appointment only

**Neighbors Inc**
Holiday program staff will be available from October 22 to December 6* during the following times to accept applications for the 2018 program:

- Monday – Thursday from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. and 1:15 to 4 p.m.
  - We are closed for applications every Friday and on Thursday, November 22
  - *No applications will be accepted after December 6, 2018.*

To receive an application you must bring with you:

- Picture identification
- A light, gas, cable, telephone, cell phone or county letter dated in the past 30 days.
- Income information for the household for the previous 30 days.
- If you have never received assistance from Neighbors before, or you have a new child in your household, you will need to provide a birth certificate, a Dakota County letter or school letter with your name and the child’s name to add the child to your household.
Toys for Tots of Minneapolis area

There are donations of new, wrapped presents from the community. Businesses, individuals, and charities may provide free toys, winter clothing, gifts, bicycles, and more for children under the age of 13. The USMC is also a partner. Application sites include the following, and low income families can also apply online. Or get more referrals to holiday help.

- Community Emergency Assistance Programs - 7051 Brooklyn Blvd., Brooklyn Center, Minnesota, 55429, Hennepin County residents dial 763-450-3666.
- Spiritual Rock Outreach Ministries - 6010 65th Avenue North, Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, 55429, dial 763-316-8051.
- Rise Inc. - 3708 Nicollet Ave South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55449, telephone 651-403-1885.
- Christmas Committee Inc. - PO Box 755, Anoka, Minnesota, 55303, phone 763-323-4982.
- Grace and Mercy Tabernacle Church of God in Christ - 14501 Nowthen Boulevard NW, Ramsey, Minnesota, 55303, phone 763-427-4392. They serve Anoka County.
- Red Lake Nation Embassy - 2929 Bloomington Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55406, 612-874-9588.
- Southern Anoka Community Assistance is at 627 38th Ave NE, Columbia Heights, Minnesota, 55421. For hours, call 612-532-1914.
- The father's house of Carver County. Address is 2940 N Chestnut St, Chaska, Minnesota, 55318. Phone 651-243-8687.
- The CHAP Store is at 2020 E. HWY 13, Burnsville, Minnesota, 55337. They are in Dakota County, and dial 952-890-8222 for information on Toys for Tots.
- The Father's House - Burnsville high school, Burnsville, Minnesota, 55337. Phone 651-216-2241.
- Real Believers Faith Center of Hennepin County is at 2010 Fremont Ave, Minneapolis Minnesota, 55411. For information on free Christmas help, call 763-438-6335.
- Tabernacle Faith church - 921 Downs Road, Champlin, Minnesota, 55316. Call 763-300-6547.
- CROSS Toys for Tots is at 12915 Weinand Circle, Rogers, Minnesota, 55374. Dial 763-425-1050.
- Good in the 'Hood - 2101 Chicago Ave S, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55404. Low income families in Hennepin County can dial 612-217-4003.
- Grace Apostolic Church - The charity is at 3805 3rd Ave South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55409. The Hennepin County agency can be reached at 612-961-9132.
- Harvest For Youth Ministries - Phone 952-428-8063.
- West African Family and Community Services helps people of all faiths. Location is 7200 Brooklyn Blvd., Brooklyn Center, Minnesota, 55429. Telephone number is 612-276-1527.
- Minneapolis Urban League provides free toys, coats, and more in Hennepin County. Address is 2100 Plymouth Ave North, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55411. Phone 612-302-3114.
- New Millennium Academy. Address is 2620 Russell Ave N, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55411. For information on holiday applications, call 612-377-6260.
- The Purpose Church - 3001 Russel Ave N, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55411. Phone 612-968-5197.
December Holiday Resources continued...

Union Gospel Mission
435 University Avenue
For holiday assistance, dial 651-292-1721.
Hot meals, referrals, and Thanksgiving or Christmas help for families in poverty.

Salvation Army
The Twin Cities Salvation Army is one of the largest providers of toys to children who may not otherwise receive Christmas gifts.
Registration for the 2018 Twin Cities Toy Shop begins Wednesday, Nov. 7 and ends Saturday, Dec. 1.
You may register to participate in our Toy Shop by filling out our registration form. Please note that forms are provided in English, Spanish and Hmong.

Our Twin Cities Toy Shop hotline (651-746-3595) will be open during weekday business hours for registration and to answer questions.
All who register before Dec. 1 will receive an assigned location for toy pick up, based on their address. Distributions will be held Dec. 18-23.
If you miss registration but still need assistance, call United Way 2-1-1 to see what help may be available in your area.

Plymouth Youth Center
Saturday, December 8
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Plymouth Christian Youth Center, North Minneapolis
Contact: Catrice O’Neal, 612-643-2026 or coneal@pcyc-mpls.org

The holiday season is fast approaching and it’s time for the annual PCYC Children’s Gift Sale! For just $1, North Minneapolis children can pick out 5 new gifts for their loved ones – mom, dad, grandma, sibling, cousin, etc. – and experience the joy of giving as they ‘shop’ alongside a caring volunteer. Tickets are available for purchase on Dec. 3rd and 7th.

Christmas with Dignity
Parents have the pleasure of shopping and giving their children new gifts at prices they can afford. This allows the children to see their parents as providers, and at the same time, the family is strengthened.

Parents save throughout the year for their shopping experience. In 1993, the executive director of Hospitality House Youth Development (HHYD) created Christmas With Dignity. This unique shopping experience is for parents who are economically disadvantaged who find themselves unable to afford to buy Christmas presents of their children. Volunteers at Hospitality House began this program after seeing parents watch their children receive “gifts from stranger” that they wished they were able to purchase.

Shopper registration dates:

At Hospitality House (1220 Logan Av N)

- Saturday, November 24, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Saturday, December 1, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Saturday, December 8, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Registration requirements: Current, valid picture ID for the Parent or Guardian registering children. *If address has changed, bring a utility bill with new address when you register.

For Natural Children: Bring ORIGINAL birth certificate listing parent & child (no copies).
For Legal Guardians/Foster Parents: Bring custody letter; name & phone number of social worker.
At registration, you will receive a ticket with the time to come to the sale.
**ATTENDANCE:**

Call the Attendance line (612-668-3346) when your student will be absent.

Doctors or dentists notes should be brought into school when the student returns to the building. Your help with this is appreciated.

**STUDENT DROP OFF:** Please be courteous of other drivers and USE CAUTION when pulling away from the curb!

Children will be admitted into the building at 7:50am.

The staff is respectfully requesting students be dropped off at the front door #1 in the morning.
- Teachers need to be able to greet and assist children.
- Children have morning work assignments that need to be completed before the morning meeting that starts at 8:10am.

Thank you for your help with this as it allows us to give your children our undivided attention for greetings and assistance with morning work and routines.

All adults entering the building must sign in at the office.

**TRANSPORTATION:**

Send Information to School when:

1. You have an address or daycare change.
2. If you are picking up your child and they usually ride a bus, they must be signed out in the office even with advanced notice.
3. Your student is using a different bus stop.
4. Your student is going home with another student. (Note: we need notification from BOTH families).

**Information will be sent home when:**

1. Your student has been added to a bus route.
2. The bus stop for your student has had a change in location.
3. The IN bus stop for your student has had a cumulative time change of five minutes or more.

Changes can become effective any day of the week so watch for the effective dates on the notices sent home with your student.

**BUS PASSES:** Bus passes are REQUIRED to board a bus that is normally not a student's assigned bus. We request notes be turned into the office as early in the day as possible.

We need notes from both sets of parents/guardians i.e. the parent/guardian of the student taking a different bus or using a different stop and the parent/guardian of the student they are traveling with.

The note should include:
- Student’s FIRST and LAST NAME
- FULL name of student they are riding with
- Date of request
- Signature of parent or guardian

A bus pass may not be able to be honored if we have not received two permission forms or if the bus requested is full.

From the Office
Bookmark the Kenny Website

for quick access to the Staff Directory, the school schedule, meeting times, and new information.

http://kenny.mpls.k12.mn.us/

To be added to the Wednesday newsletter email list or if you have information you would like to submit to the Wednesday newsletter, please email:

kennyschool.pto@gmail.com

By 5pm on Friday

Join us on Facebook & keep up with all the latest Kenny news

http://www.facebook.com/kennypita