Hello Kenny Families,

Wow, Turkey Bingo was a blast as usual. Even with this cold weather, we had a great turnout. It was fun to watch families win 20 turkeys and many many door prizes. A special thanks needs to go out to Caroline Mitchell and Jessica Southworth for coordinating the event and Mark Kuiti for calling Bingo. I am already looking forward to next year.

Last week on Give to the Max day we raised $1420 from 22 donors. The funds we receive from Give to the Max help to support a number of building wide activities for our children. These activities include trips to Base Camp, The Great River Rendezvous, Woodlake Nature Center, Mill City Museum, the Ordway, and our partnership with Three Rivers Park District. Thank you to all who donated.

The school will receive report cards this week and we will send them home next Tuesday as there is no school Wednesday - Friday. Please enjoy the time with your family next week and have a safe holiday.

As always, thanks for all you do to make Kenny the amazing school it is.

Bill Gibbs, Principal
Dear Kenny Families,

I am excited to announce Kenny School is unveiling a new family and community giving project. We will now have a Kenny Kares Giving Tree. Kenny Kares will help build our Kenny community and meet the needs of our students, families and staff. The Kenny Tree symbol is placed front and center on the board outside of the main office. The tree symbolizes strength and growth, by giving we create a strong community allowing all to grow. On the Kenny Kares board there is a list of items currently needed. There is a place next to each item to sign up if you are able to donate the requested item. To make a request for a specific need, forms are available in the office. You can also sign up to donate an item or make a request for an item via our online forms. I have been working very closely with a few Kenny parents to get this project up and running. This would not be possible without their dedication, passion, compassion and energy. This tree is our way, as a Kenny School community, to take care of one another and make a difference around us. Please join me in this incredible community focused project. Let us be a community of positive change and compassion. Below you will find the web links to access the request form and donate form (which allows you to see the current items needed).

Please let me know if you have any comments, questions or concerns regarding this project. I look forward to watching the positive impact this project will have on our awesome Kenny students and families.

Request form link: http://tiny.cc/requestkennykares
Donate form link: http://tiny.cc/givekennykares

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“A kind gesture can reach a wound that only compassion can heal”

-Steve Maraboli

Kenny School Diaper Drive

Caring Caring, that’s what we do!
You care about me
and I care about you!

Keep the Diapers coming to help those in need at People Serving People!

Bring in a package of diapers for some little ones.
Any size is great, but the bigger sizes are most needed.
Donations accepted up until Thanksgiving break &
Mrs. Hanzal will deliver to People Serving People Homeless Shelter.
To Kenny Staff, Teachers and Organizations:

The Kenny Foundation is requesting all funding requests be submitted to the Foundation by December 2nd using the funding request form. We are not able to fund everything that has been submitted since our last meeting and we are going to be prioritizing and deciding on all funding requests at our December 2nd meeting. Any request not received by December 2nd may have to wait to be considered during the 2015-2016 academic year.

The next Kenny Foundation Meeting is Tuesday, December 2

Join us at the 2014-2015 PTA meetings!

All parents invited and encouraged to attend

7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Tuesdays: Dec 2, January 6, Feb 3, Mar 3, Apr 7 and May 5
Media Center (Enter in the front door)

2014-15 PTA Officers:
Terri Diamond and Peggy Kirkpatrick, co-presidents
Dan Barrett, treasurer, Shari Wiggins, secretary

The 2014-2015 Kenny PTA directories are here!

Each household will receive one copy - FREE - thanks to the generosity of the PTA. Please look in your child's backpack, they were distributed on 11/12.
If you still have not received your copy, please contact the Family Liaison, LaToya Peterson at (612) 668-3365 or latoya.peterson@mpls.k12.mn.us
Barnes and Noble Book Fair

Monday, December 1st
6:00-8:30pm
at
The Galleria in Edina

Join us for an evening of music and story time
while you shop for a good cause: Kenny School!

We will have readings by local author, Eileen Beha, from her book, “The Secrets of Eastcliff-by-the-Sea,” at 6:30pm. Mrs. Hanzal and the Kenny Glee Club will perform at 7pm. Get all of your holiday shopping done and support Kenny at the same time!*

Can’t make it in? Have out-of-state relatives that want to support Kenny School? Use the voucher and shop online December 1-6. Enter our school book fair number at checkout. Look for vouchers coming home in your student’s backpack next week.


Kickin’ Soccer Clinic

Have a soccer player and need

Minneapolis United U15 Premier Girls Soccer Team (The Inferno) is hosting an awesome morning of soccer! The morning will include: fun and games, snacks and energetic soccer instruction.

Saturday, December 6
9am to 12pm, 8:30 Player Sign In
Location: Burroughs Elementary, 1601 W 50th St
Cost: $20 per soccer player (pay on day of event)
Participants: For boys and girls, grades K - 5

Please RSVP to Margie Jurich @ jurich6mn@msn.com.

We prefer that you RSVP, however, drop-ins are always welcome!
Proceeds will go to their trip to Brazil and the orphanage they plan to visit while there.
Be sure to sign-up for the Kenny Electronic Newsletter!

Printed newsletters are only sent home to families who specifically request a paper version.

Bookmark the Kenny Website

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

Email the Kenny School PTA and we will add you to our school's electronic communications.

If you know anyone who would like to be added to the list forward their email address:

kennyPTA33721@gmail.com

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

http://www.facebook.com/kennyppta
STUDENT DROP OFF:

The staff is respectfully requesting students be dropped off at the front door in the morning.

Children have morning work assignments that need to be completed before the morning meeting that starts at 8:10. 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 going through the office will be asked to sign in.

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

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 you.

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.