LOST AND FOUND!

All lost and found items are now on a table in the hallway outside the foyer. Please remind your kiddo to take a look! Hoodies, mittens, hats and lunchboxes galore!

The table will be set up until Friday, December 22nd. All items will be donated that afternoon.

Coming Soon...

The Kenny School Variety Show Try-Outs!

Tryouts are during the school day on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20th and we’ll see you on stage on February 15th!

Please contact Laurie Hanzal with questions: laurie.hanzal@mpls.k12.mn.us

Contact Kenny School:
5720 Emerson Avenue S, Minneapolis, MN 55419
Bill Gibbs, Principal  William.Gibbs@mpls.k12.mn.us
Main Office: 612-668-3340  Fax: 612-668-3350
Attendance: 612-668-3346  Minneapolis Kids: 612-668-3344
Link to Kenny School Website: http://kenny.mpls.k12.mn.us

Dates to Remember

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Hey 3rd, 4th and 5th Graders!

IT'S WINTER OPTIONS DAY!

When: Thursday, December 21 from 1pm to 2pm
Where: 3rd, 4th, 5th grade classrooms

**We could use more groups!** Groups of eight to ten students will be assigned to an activity with one or two volunteers per group. Choose an activity, bring supplies and get your party on! Click the link below to sign up!

Winter Options Sign-up Genius

Contact Susie Friederich with questions: susan.friederich@mpls.k12.mn.us

Reminders For The Crossing Guard:

- Be prepared for COLD weather! That means winter jackets, snow pants, boots, hats and gloves!
- The corners at the intersections get very icy so use caution!
- Crossing Guard could be cancelled after a combination of 0° and overall weather conditions (wind chill, ice and snow, etc)
- We use the Weatherbug weather app with Calvin Christian School as the selected site to determine our current conditions.

Holiday Food, Toys and Gift Resources

- Call the UNITED WAY at 211 or (651) 291-0211 to learn about organizations providing holiday food, toys or gifts within your zip code.

- FARE FOR ALL EXPRESS officers a special holiday package for $30 which typically includes ham, whole chicken, beef ring sausage, turkey, breakfast sausage, mixed vegetables and Dutch apple pie (items are subject to change). Payment includes cash, credit/debit card or EBT. Call (763) 450-3880 or visit http://fareforall.org/find-a-site for locations and times.

- Contact the SALVATION ARMY TOY SHOP at http://www.SalvationArmyNorth.org/toyshop or (651) 746-3595 between November 8 and December 5 to register for an appointment.
A NOTE FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT:

4th and 5th Grade Students and Families! Next week is Share Your Music Day in music class. Students are encouraged to bring anything that is music related for a “music show and tell”. Have you been working on a piano solo? Do you have a dance you’ve made up? Do you want to sing a favorite song or have a cool instrument from home you’d like to show? Look below for your student’s music day. This is optional, but the other students love seeing what their classmates talents are!

- Tuesday, December 19: Baier (Rm 116), Feely (Rm 113)
- Wednesday, December 20: Peterson (Rm 115), Iverson (Rm 112)
- Thursday, December 21: Mastel (Rm 119), Johnson (Rm 114)

5th Grade BAND Families! The BEGINNING band group and the PERCUSSION group will be performing a few songs at this month’s Student of the Month assembly. Please feel free to join us and see your awesome band kiddos in action!

- Friday, December 22 at 8:15am in the gym

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Community Education Reminder…

Fall session for after school Community Education activities ends on Thursday, December 21st. Winter session begins on Tuesday, January 9th.

Course confirmations will be coming soon!

ALC, GEMS and GISe are in session all year. No need to re-register.

Contact Michelle Rukavina with questions: michelle.rukavina@mpls.k12.mn.us
Host a foreign exchange TEACHER!

Anthony Middle School PTA is currently recruiting host families for January 2018 and spring 2018, as well as beginning our recruitment for the 2018-2019 school year.

Anthony Middle School is host to a couple of teaching assistants each year through the Amity program from countries where French and Spanish are spoken. These teachers are adults having nearly (or have fully completed) their university education in their home countries. They assist in language classes at Anthony Middle School. Families from the surrounding area host them in their home for various time periods.

Host families provide their exchange teacher with their own bedroom with a door and access to a bathroom. The bathroom can be shared with the family. Host families are responsible for providing breakfast and dinner during the school week and breakfast, lunch and dinner at home on weekends.

The “Amities” (teaching assistants) ride the school bus or walk to Anthony school. They are provided a stipend paid for by the PTA. It is similar to an unpaid internship. All Amities must show the Amity organization that they have finances to cover their stay here in the US.

In addition, the Amities frequently get invitations from school families for outings so that the host family is not solely responsible for the entertainment of the guest. As a reminder, they are adults and can come and go from the home to meet with friends, travel, etc.

If you have any questions or are interested in hosting a foreign exchange teacher, please call Annique London at (612) 386-7386 to discuss.

A Note from the PTA…

Here is how parents can get involved this month:

- **New meeting time in January!**
  - When: **Tuesday, January 6 from 7pm to 8pm** in the Kenny Media Center
  - We hope to see you there as we prepare for a great 2018!

Be on the lookout for upcoming event volunteer opportunities and check with your student’s teacher to inquire about helping with the classroom. There are a lot of ways to get involved!
Hello Kenny Families,

One of our goals at Kenny School is to keep your child well and attending school. Here are some very simple steps that parents can take to help prevent the spread of illness (National Association of School Nurses, 2007, American Academy of Pediatrics):

**Vaccinate:** It is not too late to get your child a flu shot. Call your health care provider to make an appointment at Hennepin County Public Health Department at (612) 348-2884 for their shot clinic dates and times. If you have internet access, the Minnesota Department of Health has excellent information available including how to locate a nearby flu shot clinic at: [http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/idepc/diseases/flu/index.html](http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/idepc/diseases/flu/index.html)

**Good Hygiene, Nutrition and Adequate Sleep:** Teach your child to wash their hands often. They should count to 20 while washing and wash with friction. It is important that your child eat nutritional meals and snacks and get plenty of sleep each night to prevent illness.

**Know when to keep your child home from school:** If your child has a fever over 101 degrees, vomiting or has a sore throat that has persisted over several days, keep your child home from school.

**Cover your cough:** Teach your children to cover their mouth with their arm or a tissue when they cough. Model to your children how you cover their cough and practice with them how to do it.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Health Office at 612-668-3346.

Ann Lumbar Bendson, RN Licensed School Nurse
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:

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

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

Join us on Facebook & keep up with all the latest Kenny news
http://www.facebook.com/kennypta

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:

kennyPTA33721@gmail.com

By 5pm on Friday

WINTER WEATHER

Winter weather is coming! Please make sure your student has winter gear (coat, snow pants, hat, mittens/gloves, scarf and boots) as most days we will be outside!

Indoor recess is based on a temperature and/or wind chill of –5° below zero and overall weather conditions.

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