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**Reminder**

ALC / GEMS / GISE and all Community Education classes resume: **Tuesday, January 15**

Please contact Community Education Coordinator Michelle Rukavina with any questions at:

michelle.rukavina@mpls.k12.mn.us

There is **NO SCHOOL** on:

**Monday, January 21**

**Thursday, January 24**

**Friday, January 25**

**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](http://kenny.mpls.k12.mn.us)
Over the next two weeks, your student(s) will be taking a short District-required reading and math test. Please be sure they are well rested and at school on time!

Grades 1-5 will take the Formative Assessment System for Teachers (FAST) reading and math test.

Kindergarten will take the FAST reading and Concepts of Math (CoM) math test.

If you have any questions as to when your student will test, please contact your teacher.

Music Share Concert Series:

3rd Grade: February 7 at 8:15am
4th Grade: March 14 at 8:15am
5th Grade Band: April 25 at 8:15am

Kenny Gym

Hope to see you there!

A Note From The Music Department…

Ms. Totzke is putting together rhythm kits and is in need of BUCKETS!

Do you have any gallon-sized ice cream buckets at home? If so, please drop them off in the music room!

Many thanks in advance!
**You’ve Got The Cutest Little Baby Face…**

Hey, 5th Grade families!

We need a baby or toddler picture of your student for an end of the year project!

Please email a digital copy to your teacher, with your student’s name in the subject line

-OR-

Send a hard copy photo to school with your student. We’ll make a copy and send your original back home.

Janee Rivard-Johnson: janee.rivard-johnson@mpls.k12.mn.us

Bruce Iverson: bruce.iverson@mpls.k12.mn.us

Todd Feely: todd.feely@mpls.k12.mn.us

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**Variety Show Volunteers Needed!**

When: Thursday, February 14

12:30pm and 6:30pm

Please contact Rachel Wixson

(Rachel.wixson@mpls.k12.mn.us) or Rebecca Totzke

(Rebecca.totzke@mpls.k12.mn.us) if interested!

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**Keep Clipping Your Box Tops!**

The funds the Kenny Parent Foundation (KPF) receives from our box tops are spent on books for the *Reading is FUNdamental* book giveaway and other things to support Kenny kids.

Box Tops can be turned into the front office
KENNY SCHOOL ART DEPARTMENT WISH LIST:

1. EGG CARTONS (NOT foam or plastic, lids removed)
2. PAINT STIR STICKS
3. SMALL (Grits/Oats/Coffee) and SMALLER (Salt) CARDBOARD CYLINDERS, 16-18oz approx. (Such as: PANCAKE MIX, GRITS, OAT MEAL)
4. LARGE OATMEAL CARDBOARD CYLINDERS
5. ODDS and ENDS: GLITTER, WRAPPING PAPERS, etc.
6. PLASTIC CONTAINERS 5 OZ. and/or larger 32oz with lids, (Such as: SOUR CREAM, SALSA – and SHREDDED CHEESE)
7. YARNS (all types and amounts)
8. RIBBONS (any length and type)
9. ICE CREAM PLASTIC BUCKETS
10. WOOD PIECES FOR SCULPTURE BASES - About 6"x3"
11. FAKE FLOWERS, LEAVES

Thank you, friends of the arts,

Mrs. Cynthia McGovern
Kenny Art Teacher

WINTER RECESS

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

**Crossing Guard will be cancelled if the temperature and/or windchill is below zero, also taking into consideration weather conditions**

Indoor recess is based on a temperature or windchill of ~5° below zero.

We use the [Weatherbug weather app](#) with Academy of Holy Angels as the selected site to determine our current conditions.
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 into the building at 7:50am. Please plan your drop off time accordingly!

Please be courteous of other drivers and USE CAUTION when pulling away from the curb!

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

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

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