Remember: there are NO ALC or COMMUNITY ED CLASSES on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16th.

This fall, Kenny School was validated as a 2016-2017 School of Excellence by the Minnesota Elementary School Principals’ Association (MESPA).

In celebration, ALL Kenny students will receive a treat during their lunch time courtesy of Red Plate Catering on Thursday, February 16.

Superintendent Ed Graff, along with Jon Hagemiller from MESPA will present Kenny past Principal Intern, Jessica Peifer-Busse and Kenny Principal, Bill Gibbs with the award plaque at the beginning of the Variety Show on Thursday, February 16 at 12:30.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Reminder:
There is no school this Friday, Feb 17 or Monday, Feb 20.
KENNY VARIETY SHOW!

Thursday, February 16, 2017

Day Show - 12:30pm
(day show performers need to be in the gym, ready to go at 12:15)

Night Show - 6:30pm
(night show performers need to be in the gym, ready to go at 6:15)

We need your help!

Do you have the skills to be our videographer at both shows? We also need someone to make that footage into a DVD and have them copied for families to purchase. Does that sound like you? Contact Laurie Hanzal Laurie.Hanzal@mpls.k12.mn.us

DON'T MISS IT!
Family Reading Night

Wednesday, February 22, 6-8pm

Join us for an author visit from Mr. Alan Page (former Minnesota Viking and retired State Supreme Court Justice) as he reads from his book, “Alan and his Perfectly Pointy Impossibly Perpendicular Pinky”.

We will also have a visit from the Washburn library staff, activities, and refreshments. Bring a book and find a cozy spot to read in the gym.

March Magic is fast approaching!

RSVPs are due by FRIDAY FEBRUARY 17!
(After that, prices go up to $50 each and are available online at Eventbrite)

Don’t miss out on the chance to attend one of our “Great Gatherings”! Great gatherings are parties hosted by Kenny parents and some staff to benefit the Kenny Foundation. The parties are a great way to build community and get to know new families. Below is a list of some already planned and be sure to check out more information on the website: kennymarchmagic.org.

2017 Great Gatherings:

Family Events: family pool party, parent/child yoga class, 1st grade family field day, family backyard movie night, k-2nd family kickball, kindergarten family movie night, family bocce tournament, family pancake breakfast, 2nd-4th minute to win it party, capitol tour with Rep Paul Thiessen

Kid Events: flashlight tag, PJ movie party, malts with the principal, kids cooking class, kid art class, NERF throw down, police station tour, kindergarten kickball, fairy garden party, k-4 kids ice fishing

Adult Events: 2nd grade parents cards/cocktails, tap room tour, learn to brew party, Stella & Dot party, mom’s margarita night, big fat greek dinner, mom’s party bus, back to school mom’s happy hour, Oktoberfest, Great Gatsby party, OrangeTheory workout party, personal styling, Evereve party

We’ll see you on March 4 at DanceLife Ballroom!

Learn more about Kenny Foundation’s biggest annual fundraiser at: www.kennymarchmagic.org
PTA Updates:

**Coming Up…** We have some great discussions coming up over the next few months that include a focus on Autism as well as Working with Police in our community. Keep checking the newsletter and website for updates on dates and times.

**Interested in being on the PTA…we need you!**

We have a need for a new treasurer and secretary. If you have any questions, or would like to find out more please reach out to Viv at v whitfield@outlook.com. We would love to chat to you more about it.

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**Kenny Community School** along with the Kenny Foundation is partnering again this year with **The Sheridan Story: Fighting Child Hunger**.

**Over 200,000 children** in the state of Minnesota live in food insecurity and do not always know when they will receive their next meal.

The Sheridan Story’s purpose is to respond to this need by closing the weekend food gap between Friday and Monday by delivering individual bags of dry and canned food to Kenny School every Friday. The bags are then discreetly sent home in student’s backpacks, always keeping the student’s and the family’s information confidential.

If your family needs assistance with food, and have not already filled out the form, contact Susie Friederich, Community Resource Liaison.

Please contact Susie with any questions at: susan.friederich@mpls.k12.mn.us or (612) 668-3365.

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**Coming soon…Kenny Spirit Wear!**

On sale Feb 27—March 3rd

Order form to be sent home next week!
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.

If you have information you would like to submit to the newsletter please send email to: AllisonThiesing@kennynewsletter@hotmail.com by 5pm on Fridays.

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

kennyPTA33721@gmail.com

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

http://www.facebook.com/kennypita
**STUDENT DROP OFF:**

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.
- Students become more responsible and gain independence when allowed to walk to the classroom on their own.
- 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.

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

**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.