Hello Kenny Families,

March is always a magical month at Kenny. We received budget allocations, celebrated at March Magic, watched some amazing Rope Power performances, and the children had Pits and Alleys in the gym. We still have more excitement next week with the Spaghetti dinner Tuesday night and a large February/March Student of the Month on Thursday afternoon. Thursday also marks the end of the third quarter of school.

The March Magic event was fantastic. This was the second year at the American Legion in Richfield and the venue seems to be working out nicely. There was a great turn out and incredible prizes. Everyone had a great time. Hats off to event coordinators Janet Bomar and Ally Marshall and their amazing team!

We submitted our budget and staffing on March 15. We did have to eliminate our 20-hour SEA behavior support but we were lucky to have Jordan Berry stay with us as a 30.25-hour ASD SEA. We also received additional resources in our budget allocation with the new predictable staffing. Our special education resource allocation went from 1.5 to 2.0 and our ESL allocation went from 0.5 to 1.0. The district also gave elementary schools a 0.5 differentiation specialist. We accomplished a tied-out budget once the district loosened the requirement on a $100/child non-salary set aside. The Foundation continues to support the band program and family liaison by paying for building supplies and copy machine leases. We used approximately $20K for non-salary budget lines in 18-19.

We will be hiring several new staff members to join us at Kenny next year, including a 1.0 special education resource teacher and 0.5 ESL teacher. Congratulations to Claudia Ryan who is retiring at the end of this school year! We are excited that Colleen Schinneer will be returning from her maternity leave and will take that classroom. Christine Broder will be moving into the differentiation position, which means hiring a new first grade teacher. I will keep you informed as the hiring proceeds this spring.

It has been a great year. Thanks to all of you who help support the great family involvement at Kenny. As always, thanks for all you do to make Kenny the amazing community school it is!

Bill Gibbs, Principal
Elementary GEMS/GISE STEM Academy and General Summer Session registration is now open!

To ensure transportation, the registration deadline is: **FRIDAY, MARCH 22**

The District has identified students who would benefit from enrolling in our summer session or GEMS/GISE STEM Academy. Invitations and paper registration forms have been sent home with those students.

If you have any questions regarding the invitation criteria, please contact your student’s teacher or Anna Williams: anna.williams@mpls.k12.mn.us

- For K-4 general summer session registration, please [CLICK HERE](http://summerschool.mpls.k12.mn.us/uploads/2019_summer_program_application_-_english_k-4_for_web_2.pdf) or visit:
- For K-4 GEMS/GISE STEM Academy registration, please [CLICK HERE](http://summerschool.mpls.k12.mn.us/uploads/2019_summer_program_application_-_english_k-4_for_web_2.pdf)
- For Grade 5: ALL are invited to register for GEMS/GISE STEM Academy, please [CLICK HERE](http://summerschool.mpls.k12.mn.us/uploads/2019_summer_program_application_english_5-7_5.pdf) or visit: [http://summerschool.mpls.k12.mn.us/uploads/2019_summer_program_application_english_5-7_5.pdf](http://summerschool.mpls.k12.mn.us/uploads/2019_summer_program_application_english_5-7_5.pdf)
- **CONTINUOUS LEARNING PLAN (CPL)** For K-5 general summer sessions and GEMS/GISE STEM Academy

  [CLICK HERE](http://summerschool.mpls.k12.mn.us/uploads/summer_calendar_2019.PNG) for the 2019 Summer Session calendar or visit:


**Where:**
- K-4 General Summer Session—Barton Open School, 4237 Colfax Ave S.
- K-4 GEMS/GISE STEM Academy—Andersen United Community School, 1098 Andersen Lane
- 5th Grade GEMS/GISE STEM Academy—Sanford Middle School, 3524 42nd Ave S.

**When:** June 17 through July 25, Monday—Thursday (Closed July 4)

Transportation, breakfast and lunch are provided
Community Education and ALC/GEMS/GISE

WINTER SESSION will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays until:

Thursday, March 28, 2019

Spring Session registration is OPEN: CLICK HERE or visit:

https://minneapolis.ce.eleyo.com/courses/category/76/after-school-youth-classes

Spring Session registration deadline is Thursday, March 21, 2019 at midnight

• Classes are first come, first served! Please turn your completed form into the main office.

• If you need a scholarship, you must call the Community Education office to discuss options or your child will not be registered. Scholarships are available, but forms turned in without payment will not be processed until you have spoken with the Coordinator about your request for a scholarship. 612.668.3363 no one will be turned away due to economic hardship!

• We will send a confirmation letter home when your child is officially enrolled in activities. Do not send your child to activities unless s/he has received a confirmation.

Return this form with payment to the main office or register online no later than March 21. If you have any questions please call Kenny Community Ed office during office hours (10am—2pm Tuesday and Thursday)

ALC / GEMS / GISE/ Legos: students will not need to re-register for the spring session of after school. For more ALC questions please contact: Luann Mishler: LuAnn.Mishler@mpls.k12.mn.us

Registration for the 2019 Youth Soccer Camp at Washburn High School is open!

What: Soccer camp for kids in grades K-5: Skills and fun
When: June 17 - 20, 9:00 - 11:00 am
Where: at Washburn High School, run by Washburn Varsity Soccer Coaches and Players, girls and boys
Cost: $80 per player (includes t-shirt and ball)
Here’s the link to register: http://www.washburnsoccer.com

It’s Back! Washburn Soccer Camp for Middle School Athletes

Open to boys and girls entering 6th, 7th or 8th grade in Fall 2019 At Washburn High School Stadium
Tuesday June 25, through Thursday, June 27, 2017
9:00 am – 11:00 am each day
$55.00 per camper (includes t-shirt)
Here’s the link to register: http://www.washburnsoccer.com
The Kenny School Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

WHEN: Tuesday, March 26 from 5pm—7:00pm
WHERE: Richfield United Methodist Church
5835 Lyndale Ave S. Minneapolis 55419

Cost: $10 per plate
Dinner includes: Spaghetti with sauce, bread, salad, cookie, and a drink.
Catered by: Former Kenny parent Jason Barbes’ Redplate Catering Company
Dine in or carry out
Pay at the door, CLICK HERE to purchase tickets or visit:
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/kenny-school-spaghetti-dinner-tickets-44607657705

The 5th Grade Council invites you to join in the fight against blood cancers and helping the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) fund research and care for cancer patients.

Cardboard boxes have been sent home with Kenny students to collect their pennies and coins throughout the month of March. There are large containers in the hallways so the students can empty their containers in and will be able to see their progress! CLICK HERE to donate directly!

Thank you for helping to save the lives of blood cancer patients not someday, but TODAY!

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.

The next submission next week!

Box Tops can be turned into the front office
Event date: Thursday, April 25 from 6:00pm—7:30pm
(Pizza dinner from 5:30-6:30pm)

Get ready for an amazing event!

Over 150 Kenny students are signed up to present 94 exciting science exhibits!

Ready ... Set ... Go!

It’s time to start pulling those projects together! Students should plan to meet with partners and/or sponsors soon (and over spring break, if possible).

Boards have been sent home!

Tri-fold presentation boards have been sent home with students.

There is only one board per project. For group projects, one team member (probably the student who turned in the form) has received the board.

- When you have the board, please take a minute to check the label attached to the back of it.

- If your child or your child’s team doesn’t receive a board — or if you have other questions — please email kenny.sci.expo@gmail.com.

Special Requests?

If you need something special for your child’s project on Expo night (for example, an electrical outlet), please email kenny.sci.expo@gmail.com.
ARTROOM WISHLIST

- Paint Stir Sticks
- SMALL Oatmeal Cylinders
- Morton Salt Cylinders
- Squirtable Ketchup Bottles
- Yarn
- Ice Cream Buckets

NO MORE PAPER TOWEL ROLLS THANK YOU!

Thanks!

Mrs. McGovern and Ms. Dani

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Announcing...
The Kenny Community School
2018-19 YEARBOOK

Our yearbook is planned to include:
- All color pages that vibrantly capture school memories
- Sturdy soft cover including school name and year imprinted in foil

Please order your yearbook by visiting:
https://ybpay.lifetouch.com

School ID code: 2330319

$10.00
(Additional upgrades offered online)

Orders due by April 19, 2019

Please consider donating to our yearbook donation program. Thank you.
Inspire a lifelong love of art in children at Free First Saturday. On the first Saturday of every month, explore and learn with the whole family.

Join us for artist-led workshops, films for young audiences, performances, dance parties, projects in the galleries, and more!

Enjoy activities from 10am—3pm and free gallery admission ALL DAY!

**SAVE THE DATES:**
Saturdays, 10am—3pm
March 2: Kids’ Film Fair
April 6: Portrait Party
May 4: Everyday Extraordinary
June 1: Fab Fams
July 6: Lions, Tigers, and Roosters
August 3: Stomping Ground

**Transportation:**
Convenient parking is available in the ramp ($5) or for free on surrounding streets.
Metro Transit bus lines 4, 6, 12, and 25 serve the Walker. Bike racks and a Nice Ride bike station are located on Groveland Terrace

**More Information:**
Walkerart.org or (612) 375-7600
Walker Art Center
725 Vineland Place
Minneapolis, MN 55403

**MISSING SOMETHING?**
All items in the lost and found bins are on tables in front of the gym.
Hoodies, light jackets, and LOTS of lonely mittens and gloves.
The tables will be set out until Thursday, March 28
The Leprechauns visited Ms. Horner’s 2nd grade classroom last Friday. Were they able to trap them?
Disney’s Aladdin Jr is playing at Anthony Middle School from **March 20-23**.

Don’t miss this legendary tale about a loveable thief with a heart of gold! Join street-wise Aladdin, the headstrong Princess Jasmine, and the fast-talking, wisecracking Genie as they discover mystical caves, take magic carpet rides, and outwit the evil sorcerer, Jafar. The cast includes more than 60 Anthony Middle School students led by director Tinia Moulder, assistant director Staci Owens, music director David Lohman, and producer Julie Flaskamp.

In addition to student actors, the Anthony musical features a tech crew comprised of middle school students. In this production, students are stage managers, light and sound operators, designers, and more. Come and see how this group of talented middle schoolers bring this magical story to life.

The spectacular 60-minute musical is adapted especially for young performers. It’s based on the 1992 Disney film and the 2014 Broadway adaptation, and includes favorite Alan Menken songs such as “Friend Like Me,” “A Whole New World,” and “Prince Ali,” as well as wonderful new songs added for the Broadway production. With colorful characters and nonstop adventure, Aladdin Jr. is sure to be a crowd-pleaser for all ages!

Purchase tickets online beginning March 1 at [anthony-musical-2018.ticketleap.com](http://anthony-musical-2018.ticketleap.com) Purchasing tickets online allows you to reserve seats near the front of the auditorium in advance. General seating tickets, located in the back half of the auditorium, will also be available at the door. General seating tickets are $5 for students and $8 for adults.

**General seating tickets will be on sale one hour prior to show time, and doors will open 30 minutes before the show starts.**

**Disney’s ALADDIN JR.**

**Anthony Middle School 5757 Irving Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55419**

**Wednesday, March 20 – 6:30pm**
**Thursday, March 21 – 6:30pm**
**Friday, March 22 – 7:00pm**
**Saturday, March 23 – 2:00pm**

Contact: Bridget Hirata – bridpil@yahoo.com
Pets

Per Minneapolis city ordinance, all pets must be on a leash at all times. We ask that the owner remain attentive and in control of their pet. Please keep pets away from the school entry and the sidewalk leading up to it while waiting for dismissal.

This is for the safety of both the students and your pets.

Thank you for your help in this matter!
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

Join us on Facebook & keep up with all the latest Kenny news
http://www.facebook.com/kennypta
ATTENTION:
DON’T GET YOUR CAR TOWED
Winter Parking Restrictions are in effect

Until further notice, DO NOT park on the even side of non-Snow Emergency routes.

➤ Because of snow and ice buildup along curbs, many streets are getting too narrow for fire trucks and ambulances to get around.

➤ Until further notice, DO NOT PARK on the even side of non-Snow Emergency routes (most residential streets). This will allow emergency crews to navigate every street in Minneapolis and get to people as quickly as possible.

➤ You can PARK on both sides of Snow Emergency routes, parkways and along the odd numbered side of non-Snow Emergency routes, provided a Snow Emergency is not in effect, or unless otherwise posted.

For more information visit our website or call 311.
www.minneapolismn.gov/snow/snow_winter-parking-restrictions

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