Hello Kenny Families,

Bill Gibbs

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Kenny PTA Newsletter

Dates to Remember

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<td>6-8:30 pm Galleria</td>
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Summer School Information

K-5 Summer School Enrollment has begun

♦ A second Registration letter was sent home this week.
♦ The deadline to register is May 5th.
♦ Summer school for K-4 will be at Lake Harriet Lower.
♦ Summer school for 5th graders will be at Ramsey.
♦ The program will be Monday-Thursday June 26-August 3.

Call Linda in the Kenny office at 612-668-3340 if you have any questions about this program. Please return the Summer Session Registration form as soon as possible.

GEMS/GUISE SUMMER PROGRAM:
GEMS & GISE K-8 STEM Academy is open to all Minneapolis Public School students currently in grades K-8 to attend this summer program.

This link will take you to the information page where you will find the application: http://summerschool.mpls.k12.mn.us/gems_gise_stem_3

We also have some applications in the Kenny office.

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**MUSIC ROOM UPDATES**

Please join us **THIS THURSDAY** for our Spring Sharing Concert!

3rd and 4th Grade: Thursday, April 27th at 8:15am in the gym

**********ALSO, THURSDAY NIGHT**********

You're invited to join us Thursday, April 27 at Barnes & Noble in the Galleria, Edina
The 3rd - 5th grade Glee Club kicks off the Book Fair with a performance at 6:30pm
*Warm up begins at 6:15pm in the Records section.

**Join us for a fun evening while shopping for a good cause: Kenny School!**

Purchases help support our school’s February book giveaway.

Join us for a Glee Club performance at 6:30 pm.

This is great time to shop for Mother’s Day & Father’s Day gifts as well as summer reading for your family.

Book Fair flyers will come home in Wednesday folders on the 26th.

**Calling all Kenny Gardeners!**

Remember that we are partnering with **Tangletown Gardens & Wise Acre Eatery** this spring to offer a Kenny PTA fundraiser featuring seasonal farm shares of delicious foods, hanging baskets for your home or gift certificates. Forms are available in the Kenny office or order online at [https://www.tangletowngardens.com/online-shoppe/](https://www.tangletowngardens.com/online-shoppe/) and enter the promo code WeSupportKCS to direct a percentage of your total purchase to Kenny School PTA. *DEADLINE to order is April 28, 2017.*

Finally, please mark your calendar for **Kenny PTA’s annual Garden Day on Saturday, May 6 from 8:30 - 11:30am** We invite you to join us - children welcome! - for a morning of light raking, weeding, planting and mulching in our beautiful rain gardens. More details will be published here as the ground warms and flowers start blooming...we look forward to seeing you!

Kenny Garden Day Committee - Lynn Meyer, Jess Wood, Chris Breva

**VOLUNTEER SPOTS OPEN**

PTA TREASURER  Family Reading Night
Science Fair  Kenny Directory

Turkey Bingo
Beginning Band will perform with the Concert Band at the spring concert on Thursday, May 25th at 8:15am in the gym.

There will be two full-band rehearsals during the school day. There are also the following **OPTIONAL** after school rehearsals to choose from:

- Wednesday, May 3 from 2:30-3:15pm
- Wednesday, May 10 from 2:30-3:15pm
- Tuesday, May 16 from 2:30-3:15pm
- Tuesday, May 23 from 2:30-3:15pm

- Choose one or all of the dates!
- Either Pick-up or MPLS Kids after rehearsal.
- **THERE WILL BE NO TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE!!**

Please watch for more information. The sign up form was sent home last Wednesday.

Contact Rebecca Totzke with questions: rebecca.totzke@mpls.k12.mn.us
Kenny PTA presents:

“How Do I Speak To My Kids About Disabilities?”
Tuesday, May 2 from 7-8pm
Kenny Media Center

An evening of discussion with our guest panel of Moms as they discuss the things special needs and Autism parents wish you knew.

Child care provided and transportation is available.

Please RSVP to Susie Friederich at susan.friederich@mpls.k12.mn.us

Volunteer Spots:

Do you you have a loud voice? Do you like games? Do you like to BINGO?!?!?!?! Your PTA needs you to run our Turkey Bingo Night next school year (no previous experience with Turkeys or Bingo required!)

Here is a list of our spots that need filling:
Treasurer, Family Reading Night, Science Fair, Kenny Directory, Turkey Bingo

Contact Viv vwhitfield@outlook.com or Lisa lisakguyott@gmail.com for more details

A night of Shopping at PRANA Thursday May 18th

15% off regular-priced merchandise with 15% donated back to Kenny!
No need to bring a flyer. Fun and free kids yoga class from 6-7! Wine and snacks available to shoppers

Store Location: 3926 50th St W, Edina, Minnesota, MN 55424

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Parents of students who receive special education services or accommodations are invited to join the Kenny Special Education Parents Group on Facebook.

You will find the group on Facebook through this link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/kennySPEDparents/
or email the admin, Sheree Speer, for a direct invite: shereespeer@outlook.com
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.

http://kenny.mpls.k12.mn.us/

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

http://www.facebook.com/kennypta

If you have information you would like to submit to the newsletter please send email to: Allison Thiesing at 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
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.