Garden Day This Saturday!

April showers have brought May flowers....

Kenny PTA’s Annual Garden Day is this Saturday, May 6 from 8:30 - 11am!

We invite you to join fellow Kenny families and students for a morning of light raking, weeding and mulching in our beautiful rain gardens.

Bring your own tools if you have them and we'll have some extras on hand to lend out, too. Questions? chrisbreva@gmail.com or 612-701-3206.

We look forward to seeing you!
Kenny Garden Day Committee
Chris Breva, Lynn Meyer, Jess Wood

Did You Order Your Bachman's Gift Cards?

Thank you for supporting the PTA & Kenny Gardens! Pick your Gift Cards up THIS FRIDAY after school in the lobby (2pm-?) or Saturday during Garden Day 8:30-11:30.
Science Expo 2017 was a fun and informative night with 190 students participating!

Thank you to the dedicated Kenny staff, teachers and parents who support the Expo in many ways – planning, printing, photos, food, judging, executing.

Thank you to Kenny PTA for sponsoring the event. Bravo to the Kenny Foundation for the delicious dinner.

If you feel this event is valuable and would like to see it continued, please contact Vivienne Whitfield, PTA Co-chair at vwhitfield@outlook.com

If you have project pictures (without any faces of students), I would be happy to add them to https://sites.google.com/view/kennyelementaryscienceexpo/home for future reference.

Science Expo Chair: Padma Wuadli

IMPORTANT MEDIA CENTER NEWS!

The last week for book check out is May 15 - 19 and all books are due back to the media center by May 26. Overdue notices will be sent home. Thank you!

Summer School Information

K-5 Summer School Enrollment

♦ A second Registration letter were sent home last 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/GISE 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.
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. Student must return permission slip to stay for after school optional rehearsals.

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

**Beginning Band Rehearsals Parent Information:**

- Ms. Johnson is looking for volunteers to run stations for the fun day!

Please contact her if you are interested in running a morning or afternoon station.

JenniferL.Johnson@mpls.k12.mn.us
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Physical Education Specialist

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**Bike and Walk to School**

Wednesday, May 10th

We will join students and adults across the nation to celebrate the benefits of bicycling and walking:

- Improved academic performance
- Increased physical activity
- Reduced pollution and traffic congestion
- Stronger community connections

All students and staff who walk or bike to school will receive an I WALKED or an I BIKE'D sticker. Usually drive? Park away from the school and walk from there.

*Parents remain responsible for getting children to and from school safely*
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/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/kennySPEDparents/) or email the admin, Sheree Speer, for a direct invite: shereespeer@outlook.com

A night of Shopping at PRANA Thursday May, 18

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

Kenny’s Spring Carnival!

When: Thursday, June 8 from 5:30-7:30pm
Where: Kenny Playground

Volunteers Needed!

If you are interested in helping with the carnival, please contact Shannon Gunaca at slgunaca@hotmail.com

Volunteer Spots Open

PTA Treasurer

Family Reading Night

Science Fair

Kenny Directory

Turkey Bingo

Contact Viv vwhitfield@outlook.com or Lisa lisakguyott@gmail.com if you can help out!
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.