Kenny Parent Foundation (KPF) Newsletter

Kenny Variety Show DVDs!

**SALE EXTENDED!**

Place your order by Friday, May 10

$10.00

Questions? Contact Ms. Wixson at: rachel.wixson@mpls.k12.mn.us or Ms. Totzke at: rebecca.totzke@mpls.k12.mn.us

It’s time for a Spring Music Informance!

*Kenny First Grade*

Come and spend some time in the music room as we share music from our latest unit: Percussion Parade!!

All inforances take place from 1:00pm—1:30pm

- Ms. Holbrook/Rm 107—Monday, May 13
- Ms. Gress/Rm 105—Tuesday, May 14
- Ms. Broder/Ms. Sparks/Rm 104—Wednesday, May 15

Questions? Please email Ms. Totzke: Rebecca.totzke@mpls.k12.mn.us

Dates to Remember

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<td>Friday, May 10</td>
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<td>Monday, May 27</td>
<td>NO SCHOOL—Memorial Day Holiday</td>
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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
WELCOME TO KENNY SCHOOL!

New families are invited to join us for a PARENT/GUARDIAN ONLY informational meeting!

WHEN: Wednesday, May 1 from 4:30pm - 5:30pm

WHERE: Kenny Gym

- 4:30pm - Check in / Folder pick up
- 4:45pm - Brief presentations by Principal Gibbs, Safety Supervisor Steve Crenshaw, and school secretary Linda Halverson
- Required forms will be filled out, copies will be made of necessary documents, Q&A session

- **Forms to bring:** Birth Certificate, passport, immigration record
- Current Immunization record
- Preschool screening results or date screening is scheduled
- School name, address and phone number of the school attended for the 2018-19 school year *(for students entering grades 1-5)*

We look forward to seeing you on May 1!

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YOU’RE INVITED!

What: 5th Grade Band Concert

When: Friday, May 3 at 1:30pm

Kenny Gym

Hope to see you there!
THANK YOU to those who purchased Bachman’s gift cards and helped to support Kenny School! We raised $750 for the school and $150 for the Kenny gardens!

Gift cards can be picked up at school in the foyer on Friday, May 10 from 1:30-2:30pm or on Saturday, May 11 at the Garden Day event from 9am-11am.

Please contact Kelly Suzan with questions: stur0065@umn.edu

Get Ready For Garden Day!

When: Saturday, May 11 from 9:00am—11:00am in the Kenny front gardens

We invite ALL families to join us for a morning of light raking, weeding, planting and mulching in our beautiful rain gardens.

Light refreshments and coffee provided by St. Paul Bagelry

RSVPs welcome and for more information CLICK HERE or visit: https://www.evite.com/event/003CFEAKYKHMYQXRQEPJMCGB6OPA4M/rsvp?
utm_source=NA&utm_medium=sharable_invite&utm_campaign=send_sharable_link

Please contact Thea Volk with any questions: theajoanne@gmail.com
Kenny Field Day! **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

**WHEN:** Thursday, May 16
(Rain day—May 17)
3rd-5th grade: 8:30am-10am
K-2nd grade: Noon-1:30pm

**Final Event and Popsicles:** 1:30pm

Volunteers are needed to help run activity stations, refill the water stations and hand out popsicles.

Please contact Phys. Ed teacher Jennifer Johnson if you are able to lend a hand at this high energy, fun event!

jenniferl.johnson@mpls.k12.mn.us

**Kenny Spring Carnival**

**WHEN:** Thursday, May 30
5:30PM–7:30PM

FOOD...PRIZES...GAMES GALORE!

Do you want to be a part of the team?

Contact Gretchen Spear: (202) 321-2444 or gkornely@yahoo.com

Every year, the students end the Field Day event with a cool, refreshing popsicle. We need YOUR help in making sure each kiddo has one!

CLICK HERE to sign up to donate a box of popsicles to your student’s classroom, or visit: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054CACAA22A2F58-field

Each classroom is listed, along with the number of students in each room. While one or two boxes should cover each room, each one has two volunteer spots to spread the efforts around.

To keep things “fair for all”, please keep it to regular popsicles (not fudgesicles, Johnny Pops, float bars, etc). **Freezer space is very limited, so if you’re able to bring them LATER in the day, that would be best! If not, let me know and we’ll work something out…**

Keep your fingers crossed for a dry, sunny day!

Questions? Contact Susie Friederich at susan.friederich@mpls.k12.mn.us or (612) 668-3365
TONIGHT...YOU’RE INVITED!
Lake Harriet Upper Campus invites you to join speaker Margaret Hagerman, author of “White Kids: Growing Up With Privilege In A Racially Divided America”

WHEN: Wednesday, May 1 at 7:00pm
WHERE: Southwest High School Auditorium
(3414 W. 47th St, Minneapolis, 55410)

CLICK HERE to view an article summarizing Margaret’s work or visit:

5th Grade Math Squad Competition
Come Support Our Kenny Math Squad!

WHEN: Saturday, May 4
WHERE: North High School
1500 James Ave N, Minneapolis 55411

Please CLICK HERE for event details or visit:
https://alc.mpls.k12.mn.us/math_competitions_2
Cooking Night Out...Café Zupas

When: Tuesday, May 14 from 5pm-9pm
Where: Café Zupas (2950 W. 66th St, Richfield)

Mention Kenny School and a portion of your pre-tax bill will be donated back to Kenny School!

MPS
A Community Discussion about the proposed Comprehensive District Design 2019-2022

You're invited to join the discussion!
Come learn about the proposed changes to the district design.

- Monday, May 13 at 6pm at Thomas Edison Highschool (700 22nd Ave NE, 55418)
- Thursday, May 16 at 6pm at Southwest Highschool (3414 W 47th St, 55410)
- Monday, May 20 at 6pm at the Wilder Building Auditorium (Corner of 34th and Chicago Ave S)
- Tuesday, May 21 at 6pm at the Davis Center (1250 W Broadway Ave, 55411)

Visit the MPS website to learn more:
https://mpls.k12.mn.us/comprehensive_district_design_2
A Note From Kenny Girl Scout Troop #16964:

The Animals of the Humane Society NEED Your Help!

Kenny Girl Scout Troop 16964 is organizing a drive to benefit the Humane Society. You can drop your items in our labeled box in the lobby, or with us personally on Kenny Garden Day. See the "needed items" list here, or near our collection box. All items must be new, unless otherwise specified. Donation deadline is May 11. Please consider helping the Humane Society in honor of animals everywhere!

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Thank you for your generosity! - Troop #16964

Just a reminder about dental services at Kenny this spring!

We will be partnering with Children’s Dental Services (CDS) to provide dental care at school, which may include exams, x-rays, cleanings, fluoride treatment, sealants, fillings, crowns, extractions and other treatments as needed during regular school hours.

CDS is a nonprofit dental clinic that provides comprehensive oral health care to low-income children. CDS provides onsite dental services to schools and community sites and is currently delivering services in the majority of Minneapolis and St. Paul public schools.

Consent forms were sent home in last week’s Wednesday folder, so if you haven’t already, please look for it. If you are interested in your child receiving dental screening and/or care here at school, please fill out the form and return it to school as soon as you are able. If you ARE NOT interested in care, DO NOT fill out the form. In the meantime, if you have any questions, feel free to call Nurse Ann at 612.668.3346.
SPRING TESTING

MINNESOTA COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENTS (MCA)

BEGINNS THE WEEK OF APRIL 15TH

Some of the best things you can do to help your student be prepared and comfortable include:

- A good night’s sleep
- A healthy breakfast
- Make sure your student is in school and on time
- Send a water bottle with your student if possible

If you have questions as to when your student is testing, please contact your student's teacher.

Cell phones and any wearable device that is able to send and receive messages are NOT allowed in the testing room. PLEASE LEAVE THEM AT HOME.

If you’d like to have your student do Test Sample Items at home, here are instructions on how to access them:

(Note: MCA Sample Items are for test practice only and are not a predictor of test performance).

1. CLICK HERE or visit: http://minnesota.pearsonaccessnext.com/item-samplers/
2. Scroll down; choose Reading MCA or Math MCA
3. Select grade
4. Use “Guest” as user name
5. Start the sample test
ATTENDANCE:

Call the Attendance line (612-668-3346) when your student will be absent.

To ensure an excused absence or tardy, 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!

Cars can only travel south on Emerson Avenue between 57th and 58th streets from 7:45 – 8:15 a.m.

- Pull your car forward to the bus “A” sign
- DROP AND DRIVE. If you need a hug or want to get out of your car to say good-bye to your child, use the parking lot or one of the grey-shaded areas on the map shown below
- All students must exit cars from the west side (on the school side)

No student drop-off on 58th street from 7:50am—8:00am. Door #3 is open for busses and walkers until 8:00am and then LOCKED.

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 to hear 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.

This can be a note, phone call, or email and 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.
Stay Informed

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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http://www.facebook.com/kennypta