STREET RESURFACING INFORMATION:

Minneapolis Public Works sent Kenny the following information regarding the streets closest to Kenny. The entire project will involve the area from Lyndale to Irving Avenues and 54th to 58th Streets during the next few weeks.

Public work is scheduled to begin pavement resurfacing work on Kenny area resurfacing project beginning the week of April 25th. The duration of the work will be about two weeks. The work will consist of milling (grinding) a portion of the existing asphalt surface off the street and then replacing it with a new layer of asphalt. During the work the street will be closed to thru traffic.

The City will be milling and paving Emerson Ave S (54th St W-58th St W) and 57th St W (Lyndale Ave – Irving Ave) by Kenny Elementary school on the following days. Please note that these days may change due to weather and other unforeseen conditions.

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As this work is done, crews will be posting NO PARKING signs 24 hours ahead along the streets to be resurfaced. This is necessary to allow for crews to complete their activities and will provide you additional notice that work is going to happen on that particular block. Vehicles parked in violation of posted signage will be towed to the City of Minneapolis Impound Lot.

For more information the city has set up a web site for this project. The web site address is: [http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cip/2016/WCMSP-172444](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cip/2016/WCMSP-172444)

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
Link to Kenny School Website: [http://kenny.mpls.k12.mn.us](http://kenny.mpls.k12.mn.us)
Grade 3 will be sharing a few things they've worked on this year at their Music Sharing Concert. It is a chance for students to demonstrate skills and concepts learned throughout the year in a fun and informal setting.

We hope you can join us in the Gymnasium:

Grade 3: Thursday, April 28th 8:15am

*Please note the calendar change for the 2nd Grade concert (the original was a little too close to my due date!)

Due to pregnancy complications, I will not be able to do performances for 1st and 2nd grades this spring. They will have this opportunity next year! Thank you for your understanding!

Rachel Wixson, Kenny Music Teacher

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**SUMMER SESSION ENROLLMENT HAS BEGUN**

A second Registration letter was sent home this week.  
The deadline to register is May 2nd.  
Summer school for K-4 will be at Burroughs and Kenny 5th graders will be at Ramsey.  
The program will be Monday-Thursday June 13-July 21.

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

**GEMS/GUISE SUMMER PROGRAM:**

GEMS & GISE Summer STEM Academy is inviting all Minneapolis Public School students currently in grades K-7 to attend this summer program.

This link will take you to the information page:  
http://alc.mpls.k12.mn.us/summer_school

The application is available at the bottom of this page or in the Kenny office.
Kenny PTA BACHMAN’S GIFT CARD SALE

Purchase Bachman’s Gift Cards by April 28 and Support Kenny School!

Here’s how it works:

Use the order form, in the newsletter or sent home with students on April 6th, to purchase Bachman’s gift cards in any $5 increment amount from $5-500

Gift cards ordered by 4/28 will be available for pick up in the lobby after school from 2pm-4pm on Friday May 13th

Redeem gift cards at any Bachman’s Floral, Gift and Garden Centers throughout the Twin Cities area, as well as through Bachman’s call center and at bachmans.com

Use Gift cards to buy ANYTHING at Bachman’s, including fresh flowers, plants and shrubs, home décor, holiday gifts, garden items and more

KENNY will receive 15% of total gift card sales!

Please note, the 15% rebate is not eligible on gift cards purchased at Bachman’s retail stores, so make sure to place your order through KENNY

*make checks payable to Kenny PTA

Questions? Contact Jessica McLawhorn, jjmclawhorn@gmail.com or 651-261-0632

Gift Cards for the Gardens

While you’re working on your Bachman’s gift card order form, please consider donating $5, $10 or more in gift cards to be used for plants and other supplies for the Kenny gardens. Plans are in the works for adding new plants to the front Kenny sign bed and other areas and mulch is needed as well. Just designate “Kenny Gardens” as the Customer Name with the amount you’d like to give and we’ll use the money to help our gardens grow.

Hopefully we can plant some of these beauties on Garden Day – May 14th!
Gift Card Fundraising for **KENNY PTA**

**Student Name________________________**  **Room#________________________**

**Customer Order Form**

_Bachman’s Gift Cards are available in $5.00 increments, from $5.00 to $500.00._

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**Questions? Contact Jessica McLawhorn, jimclawhorn@gmail.com or 651-261-0632**
Please join us for the final PTA meeting of the school year!

**Tuesday, May 3 at 7:00 pm**

Kenny School Media Center (enter through the front door)
*Child care will be provided

Come hear a presentation on Responsive Classroom by Jennifer Gottenborg (Instruction Specialist) and Megan Hardesty (First Grade teacher). Also, learn about PTA plans for the remainder of the school year and early plans for next year. Find out more opportunities to get involved in our great Kenny community!

Peggy and Terri’s two-year term as Co-Chairs of the PTA is coming to an end this spring. Therefore, the PTA is seeking either two new Co-Chairs or a single Chair beginning in the 2016-17 school year. If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, please contact Peggy (pkkirkpatrick@usfamily.net) or Terri (diamondltd@comcast.net).

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**Kenny’s Spring Carnival is ON!!**

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**Kenny Foundation**

Our final meeting of the school year will take place
**Tuesday, May 3 at 6 pm in the library.**

New board members are needed! If you're interested in learning more, please come to the meeting or contact Megan Peterson atmmpeterson322@gmail.com.

The Kenny Foundation is a non-profit that raises money to support Kenny School - including programming and building updates.

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We are looking for someone to make copies of the Variety Show DVD. The master copy will be completed by next week.

If you have the skills to do this, please contact Laurie Hanzal at laurie.hanzal@mpls.k12.mn.us Thanks!

PS: If you ordered a DVD, you will receive it as soon as the copies are made. We're working on it!
IT'S TIME FOR FIELD DAY AGAIN!

Thursday, May 19th
(Rain date 20th)
8:30-10:00 3rd-5th grade
12:00-1:30 K-2nd grade
1:30-2:00 All students for Popsicles
and final Teacher vs. Student event

I AM LOOKING FOR PARENT VOLUNTEERS TO HELP BOTH MORNING AND AFTERNOON SESSIONS.

Contact me JenniferL.Johnson@mpls.k12.mn.us
Thanks so much!!!!!

Don't Forget to Collect BOX TOPS!

and send them to your school
Anthony Color Run and Family Day

Thursday, May 19, 2016 3:30 - 7:30 pm

All families, friends, relatives, and neighbors are invited to Anthony Middle School’s 2nd Annual Family Day. It kicks off with a Color Run Fundraiser which is open to anyone who wants to participate. (Details are on our website.) Then we will have a free supper, a dunk tank, and performances from our students, as well as other fun activities like a Pizza Garden planting/plant sale and more. Let’s celebrate another successful year together!
Volunteer needed for Kenny Spiritwear program for next year.
I have done it for several years and it is an ideal volunteer post for a parent who has a tough time volunteering during school hours. Current structure is easy to run with no experience, but there is also room to improve the program for someone with graphic design skills or more robust apparel experience.

Contact Sally Johnson, 612-715-8017 or sally_vardaman_johnson@yahoo.com

Kenny Garden Day - Please Join Us!
April showers bring May flowers....and Kenny PTA’s annual Garden Day on Saturday, May 14 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.

RSVP or questions: chrisbreva@gmail.com or 612-701-3206. We look forward to seeing you!
Kenny Garden Day Committee - Chris Breva, Lynn Meyer, Jess Wood

Diapers Needed
Kenny Families:
Any diapers your kids have outgrown are welcome to be donated in the ECFE room 138!
The diapers will be donated to families in need.
Thank you!

Third grade artists display their group collage in the Ordway Artwalk!
The Native American artist, George Morrison’s wood collages and prints inspired the student collage. Student artwork from around the city will be on display.

Come to downtown Saint Paul to see the ARTWALK, May 7–June 5
WERC Enrichment Resource Center
Two Languages, Many Cultures and ONE Amazing Place

Week 1 (June 13-16): Science Camp
Week 2 (June 20-23): Olympics Camp
Week 3 (June 27-30): Star Wars Camp
Week 4 (July 5-8)*: Pirates Camp
Week 5 (July 11-14): Art Camp
Week 6 (August 22-26)*: Spanish Fun and Fiesta Camp!
*= Special Camp; see registration form for more details

WERC Spanish Summer Camp!

Come join WERC for our summer program! We offer different themes from 7:30 – 12:30 and enrichment activities from 12:30 – 5:30 from Monday through Thursday. You can find registration forms on our website or at WERC Lindom. All instruction is in Spanish and it is a great opportunity to learn and practice Spanish during summer vacation while having fun!

Where: KENNY SCHOOL

When: Monday – Thursday from June 13 – July 14; Monday – Friday from August 22-26
Time: 7:30am – 5:30pm
Cost: $170 for camps; $85 for afternoon activities; $75 per day for August Camp
Registration Fee: $25.00
Registration deadline: March 24, 2016

For more information, please visit our website or contact us by email or phone!
Wercprogram.org
wercprogram@gmail.com
612-668-3384
Experience life-change growth: Our tutors are trained to change the future.

Sam dreams to read big books. You can make his dream come true.

Minnesota Reading Corps inspires community members to change the future of struggling students. As the nation’s largest state AmeriCorps program, we are recognized because our tutors are getting results with the students they serve and are helping to ensure that all children are successful readers by the end of third grade.

Become a tutor at Kenny
Literacy tutors commit to one year of AmeriCorps service. Tutors come from many backgrounds and include recent high school and college grads, career changers, stay-at-home parents, and retirees. Tutors are paid a living allowance, and are eligible for an education award of up to $5,730 and federal student loan forbearance. Tutors 55 or older may gift the award to a child or grandchild.

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- Grow your career skills, network and resume
- Get training and coaching in research-based literacy methods
- Motivate kids in your community to succeed in the classroom

One year. This year. Join Minnesota Reading Corps

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Why I Serve
“There is nothing greater than seeing a student who has no desire to read, develop into one of your best students and gain skills that will open doors for future success. By serving as an Elementary Literacy Tutor, I could be part of the change I wanted to see.”
George Ochoa, Minnesota Reading Corps tutor
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

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

for quick access to the Staff Directory, the school schedule, meeting times, and new information.

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

If you know anyone who would like to be added to the list forward their email address:

kennyPTA33721@gmail.com

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

http://www.facebook.com/kennypta
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.
- 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.

**All adults entering the building must sign in at the office.**

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

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.