

Kenwood Update

March 7, 2022

KENWOOD

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SCHOOL

Read-A-Thon

The Read-A-Thon was a big success! Together Kenwood kids read more than 167,000 minutes and raised over \$25,000 to support art residencies. There was a tie for best participation between Ms Elfering's class (grade 1) and Ms Natalie's class (grade 5). Congratulations to all participants! (prizes were distributed today). If you did not return your form, it's not too late – send it back to school to receive a participation prize.

Click here to view all the winners.

A Note from PTA

One of PTA's missions is to promote the welfare and well-being of all children and our community. If you are in need of assistance while school is not in session, please feel free to reach out to Kenwood PTA president Greta Schmitt at greta.p.schmitt@gmail.com. Also reach out if you are able to help connect other families with food or childcare resources. Follow PTA on facebook (Kenwood Community School PTA) to stay up to date on resources.

Follow Kenwood PTA on Social Media

<https://www.facebook.com/KenwoodCommunitySchoolPTA>

https://www.instagram.com/kenwood_pta/

Join the Kenwood Green Team

The Kenwood Green Team is looking for new members. Join us in working on the school gardens, taking kids to the school forest, supporting teachers in environmental and outdoor education, planting seeds with kids, and more. Any level of help is welcome! Contact parent volunteer Amy Sanborn at amysanborn18@gmail.com or 612-868-8664.

Summer Programming

MPS offers a variety of summer options for families. Click the links for more information and to register.

- [Discovery and Learning Academy](#) (incoming grades K-5)
- [GEMS/GISE Stem Academy](#) (incoming grades K-8)

School Social Worker Week

A huge shout out to all the social workers, but especially to Kenwood's Ally Adamski. Thanks for all you do to support Kenwood kids and their families.

<https://www.sswaa.org/school-social-work-week>

Free and Affordable Food

In need of food? Or are you looking for ways to support hunger relief in your community? Check out the updated Minneapolis food security resources on the City [website](#). To see food shelves by location, explore this [map](#). [Find winter market schedules and locations](#). Nearly all accept SNAP-EBT benefits.

Fare for All Food Sale

Stretch your food dollars. Fare For All is a cooperative purchasing program that offers affordable groceries and packages of fresh produce and frozen meat for up to 40% off retail prices. Visit <https://fareforall.thefoodgroupmn.org/> for more information and to find a location near you.

Sledding, Snow, or Spring Sunshine Party

PTA invites all families for another sledding and snow building party on Saturday, March 12 from 1-3pm. If there's no snow, we can take advantage of the spring sunshine instead!

Community News

* This section provides information our community may be interested in. We are unable to sponsor, endorse or recommend the activities or organizations.

Mia Spring Break Art Kits

Designed by [Mia's](#) art instructors, Art Kits contain all the materials and instructions students will need to experience Mia's studio classes, mailed to your home. Students will learn about masterpieces in Mia's collection, work on basic art skills, explore self-expression through at-home activities, and receive virtual creative support from teaching artists. Art Kit pricing is sliding-scale and based on annual household income. Full scholarships are also available. Learn more: <https://bit.ly/3uRIN1P>

Kids Deserve a Shot

The registration form is now open for Minnesota caregivers whose 5 to 11-year-olds receive the COVID-19 vaccine to register for a \$100,000 Minnesota college scholarship. Learn more about the "Kids Deserve a Shot" program, register for the scholarship drawing, and view official rules at [Kids Deserve a Shot](#).

MN Orchestra

The MN Orchestra will perform 4 FREE livestream concerts for families. Learn more at [minnesotaorchestra.org](https://www.minnesotaorchestra.org) or <https://www.minnesotaorchestra.org/digital-concerts/> Concerts will be held April 1, May 6, June 3, and July 15.

Upcoming Dates

Below are some dates to be aware of. [Click here](#) to view the district calendars.

- March 12: PTA sledding, snow building or spring sunshine party
- March 25: Kenwood Spirit Day – Wild Hair and Hat Day
- April 1: NO SCHOOL (teacher record keeping)
- April 4 – 8: NO SCHOOL (Spring Break)