

## Please Complete a School Satisfaction/Budget Survey – in Backpacks Today

### Turn Them in by Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> for a Student Reward!

- It's time to plan our programming and budgets for next year and we want to know what is important to you and your students. Look in backpacks for a school budget survey and return it by Wednesday, January 31 for a special student reward determined by grade level. If you have any questions, please contact:
  - Wenonah: Principal Kelly Wright at 612-668-5040 or [Kelly.wright@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:Kelly.wright@mpls.k12.mn.us).
  - Keewaydin: Principal La Shawn Ray at 612-668-4670 or [lashawn.ray@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:lashawn.ray@mpls.k12.mn.us)

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## What's Coming Up?

### No School Tomorrow!! – Thursday-Friday, January 25-26.

- No school for students due to teacher record keeping and professional development time.

### GEMS/GISE Students to Compete in Robotics Tournament – Saturday, January 27

- This exciting, unique and free event is an opportunity for students to showcase their accomplishments and celebrate their hard work. Staff, family members and friends are welcome and strongly encouraged to attend. At Anishinabe Academy/Anne Sullivan Community School, 3100 E. 28<sup>th</sup> St. Grades 1-2 from 8am-1pm, grades 3-8 from 8am-5pm.

### Join an MPS Budget Conversation – February 7, 8 or 15

- MPS is holding Community Discussions to discuss next steps in balancing the district budget and moving MPS Forward. We'll talk about why MPS is recommending changes for the 2018-19 school year, how they may affect our learning communities and what can be done to make any changes easier. Visit [www.mpls.k12.mn.us/community\\_discussions](http://www.mpls.k12.mn.us/community_discussions) to learn more.
  - Wednesday, February 7, 6-8pm, Southwest High School (zone 3)
  - Thursday, February 8, 6-8pm, Davis Center (zone 1)
  - Thursday, February 15, 6-8pm, Transitions Plus Wilder Complex, 3320 Elliot Ave (zone 2 – that's us!)

### Dine Out Night at Café Zupas for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to DC – Tuesday, February 13

- Dine in or take out at Café Zupas on Tuesday, February 13 from 5-9pm, at 1840 E. 66<sup>th</sup> Street in Richfield (near SuperTarget). Tell your server that you are with Keewaydin, and they will donate 25% of your order.

## School Request deadline is February 17th

- **All incoming kindergartners** need to make a request (even if they already have a sibling at LNCS) at <http://schoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>
  - **All 8<sup>th</sup> graders** need to request a high school at <http://highschoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us>
    - Need help deciding on a high school? Contact Keewaydin counselor [Kameron.wittmer@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:Kameron.wittmer@mpls.k12.mn.us)
  - If you have a Wenonah 2<sup>nd</sup> grader planning to attend Keewaydin for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, you **DO NOT** need to make a request.
  - Any student going into grades 1-12 who want to change schools need to make a request.
  - Questions? Call 612.668.1840 or 612.668.3700
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## School Notes

### Yearbook Cover Contest

- The yearbook needs your art! Draw an Outer Space themed work of art for us to use as the Yearbook Cover. Entries are due by February 8th. Give them to the office or to Ms. Croft. Enter as many times as you wish. Use pencil or pen. Color is okay, too! Use a blank 8 1/2 x 11 paper.

### Buses, Cabs and Super Bowl

- Please be aware that from January 22nd through February 5th buses and cabs traveling to and from LNCS could be significantly impacted by the Super Bowl and related activities. Please make certain your student is ready at their identified pick up and drop off time, but also be prepared to wait. If your student's bus or cab is running late, please call transportation directly at 612-668-2300 as they can contact and/or track the vehicle. You will likely need to wait on hold, please be patient. This will likely be true for afterschool programming as well.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade End-of-Year Important Dates to Save on Calendars

- Due to the District's change of last day of school for our students to June 8, 2018, please put these important dates on your calendars now:
    - Friday, June 1, 2018 - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Ceremony at 10:30am in the Keewaydin Auditorium
    - Friday, June 8, 2018 - Field trip to Valleyfair.
    - Further details to follow but for any questions please email [anne.tank@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:anne.tank@mpls.k12.mn.us)
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## In the Community

### Attend the NENA Nokomis Green Fair – Saturday, January 27

- Green spaces and nature are big part of what makes our neighborhood so special! Make a commitment to environmental sustainability for 2018 at the 1<sup>st</sup> ever Nokomis East Neighborhood Association's Green Fair, Lake Nokomis Community Center, 2401 E. Minnehaha Pkwy, 12-3pm

- Enjoy high-quality exhibits, presentations and giveaways from organizations like Minnesota Food Association, Minneapolis Recycles, and Applied Energy Innovations. Wondering how to purchase a CSA share or confused about composting? Our exhibitors are eager to help.
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## Calendar

### January:

- 25 **NO SCHOOL for students – Staff Professional Development**
- 26 **NO SCHOOL for students – Teacher Record Keeping Day**
- 27 GEMS & GISE Robotics Tournament: 8am-5pm (grades 3-8), 8am-1pm (grades 1-2) @ Anne Sullivan School
- 27 Nokomis Green Fair, 12-3pm at Lake Nokomis Community Center
- 30 Chess Club at Keewaydin, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 30 8<sup>th</sup> Grade field trip to U of M Wilson Library
- 31 Chess Club at Wenonah, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 31 Wenonah Student of the Month assembly in the Gym at 10:15am

### February

- 2 Wenonah rooms 106 & 107 to the Wildlife Refuge, 12:30-3:30pm
- 2 NAEP Test for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade
- 2 Basketball Game at Keewaydin 5pm Boys, no Girls game
- 6 Chess Club at Keewaydin, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 7 Chess Club at Wenonah, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 7 Ms. Delveaux and Ms. Johnson, Field trip to Wildlife Refuge, 10am-12pm
- 8 Taste Tests at Keewaydin lunches
- 8 Site Council meeting 5:30-6:30pm in Wenonah Media Center
- 8 PTA meeting 6:45-7:45pm in Wenonah Media Center
- 9 5<sup>th</sup> Grade field trip to MN Zoo, 10-2
- 9 Basketball Games at Keewaydin 5pm Boys 6pm Girls
- 12 Wenonah Talent Show, 10:30am in the Gymnasium
- 13 Chess Club at Keewaydin, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 13 Dine Out Night at Café Zupas for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to DC, 5-9pm
- 14 Chess Club at Wenonah, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 15 Keewaydin Debate Tournament
- 15 No afterschool ALC/GEMS/GISE/Community Ed at LNCS (both campuses)

- 15 Parent-Teacher Conferences: 4:30-8:30pm @ Keewaydin, 4:30-7:30pm @ Wenonah
- 15 MPS Budget Discussion for zone 2, 6-8pm at Transitions Plus Wilder Complex, 3320 Elliot Ave
- 16 Parent-Teacher Conferences: 8:30am-4:30pm
- 16 **NO SCHOOL for students – Conferences**
- 17 MPS School Request deadline for K-12<sup>th</sup> grades
- 19 **NO SCHOOL for students – President’s Day**
- 20 Chess Club at Keewaydin, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 20 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Orchestra Hall, 11:30am-1:30pm
- 21 Chess Club at Wenonah, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 21 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to STEM & Career Expo
- 24 MPS Check it Out Chess Tournament
- 24 LNCS Valentine’s Dinner and Dance for all families
- 27 Chess Club at Keewaydin, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 28 Chess Club at Wenonah, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center