

Get Ready for the LNCS Valentine's Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction! Saturday, Feb. 24

Join us for a Great Night of LNCS Fun

- Mark your calendars for this annual all school PTA event designed to build community and raise funds for our students. Held at Crosstown Covenant Church, 5540 30th Ave. S. Mpls.
- **Dinner:** Enjoy spaghetti and meatballs, bread and salad from Fat Lorenzo's from 5:30-8:00pm. Tickets are \$10/adult and \$7/child (age 3 and under free) and will be available in advance at the school offices and at the door.
- **Silent Auction:** 5:30-7:30pm. Get ready for more items than every this year!
- **Dance:** Our awesome DJ is great with kids of all ages. 6:00-8:00pm

Shop our NEW Online Auction – Opens February 16 (view items now)

- Volunteers secured so many great auction donations this year that there will be an [online auction](#) before the event as well as the silent auction at the Valentine's Event. We have lots of hotel stays, services, activities and goods that you will be sure to enjoy while supporting your students through the PTA.
- [View the items today and start bidding Friday, February 16.](#) The auction closes February 26.
- Please share the link with friends and family and any others who would be interested in these items!

Can You Volunteer or Donate Baked Goods?

- **Volunteers:** We need lots of help to make this event happen. Shifts are an hour or less. [Visit "Sign Up Genius" to Sign Up.](#) As always, we appreciate all our volunteers!
- **Baked Goods:** Please drop them off at the school offices on Thurs. 2/22 or Fri. 2/23. Either homemade or store bought are great. Treats will be repackaged onto variety plates for the sale so don't worry about presentation. And please drop them off on disposal plates that you don't need back.

What's Coming Up?

African American Parent Involvement Day – Monday, February 12

- National African American Parent Involvement Days (NAAPID) is a day for parents to come to their child's school, see what their day is like, and to support their child's educational future. We hope to see you at one or more of these events!

- **Wenonah:** Please join us at **11:30 for lunch with your student (Note time change)** in the Wenonah Media Center. Plus stop in anytime that day to visit your student's classroom. If you are attending lunch, please RSVP to jill.kilibarda@mpls.k12.mn.us or 612-668-5040.
- **Keewaydin:** Please come to Keewaydin and visit your child's classroom and enjoy lunch with Principal Ray at 11:30am to hear all about the great things happening at Keewaydin and to give us your feedback. Please call Anne Tank at 612 668 4689 to RSVP for lunch.
- **Roller Gardens:** MPS Families are invited for a free night of fun at the Roller Gardens at 5622 W. Lake St. in St. Louis Park from 6-8pm.

Wenonah Talent Show – Monday, February 12

- Please join us for the annual Wenonah Talent Show on Monday, February 12th at 10:30am in the gymnasium. Come support our students and have a great time, even if your student is not in the show. It might be the cutest thing you see all year.

Keewaydin Kindness Week – Monday, February 12 – Friday, February 15

- As part of our year-long emphasis on fostering a positive school environment, Keewaydin will be celebrating Random Acts of Kindness Week! Also, for those students who want to send a special message to a friend, the school store will be open on Monday and Tuesday, so that students can purchase flower grams. The cost of a flowergram is \$2. For any questions about Kindness Week, please email Kameron.wittmer@mpls.k12.mn.us
 - Feb. 12 Manners Monday
 - Feb. 13 Thank You Tuesday
 - Feb. 14 Warm Hearted Wednesday
 - Feb. 15 Thoughtful Thursday

Dine Out Night at Café Zupas for 8th 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. 66th Street in Richfield (near SuperTarget). Ideally bring [this flyer](#), or tell your server that you are with Keewaydin, and they will donate up to 25% of your order.

Keewaydin History Day Competition – Thursday, February 15

- Judges will be here to ask our 7/8th graders about their History Day Projects and they will decide which of the projects will move on to the District Competition in March. Students in Ms. Monroe's class have worked very hard on their projects and all families are welcome to view them on display in the Media Center the evening of Feb. 15 and from 8:30am-1:30pm on Feb. 16th. Good Luck to all our History Day Students!

Parent-Teacher Conferences – Thursday & Friday, February 15 & 16

- Look for information about conferences from your child's teacher and email them with any questions.
 - **Keewaydin Schedule:** Feb. 15th from 4:30-8:30pm and Feb. 16th from 8:30am-1:30pm.
 - **Wenonah Schedule:** Feb. 15th 4:30-7:30pm, and Feb. 16th from 8:30am-4:30pm

No Afterschool Classes – Thursday, February 15

- No Community Education or GEMS/GISE due to conferences

Deadline to Register for Spring Afterschool Classes – Thursday, February 15

- Register at <https://minneapolis.ce.eleyo.com/courses/category/76/after-school-youth-classes>. Classes run March 5 – May 2.

Join an MPS Budget Conversation – Thursday, February 15 or Tuesday, February 20

- 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 to learn more and [review initial proposals online](#).
 - Thursday, February 15, 6-8pm, Wilder Complex, 3345 Chicago Ave S. (note new side of bldg.)
 - **NEW MEETING:** Tuesday, February 20, 6-8pm, Wilder Complex, 3345 Chicago Ave. S

No School –Friday, February 16

- No school due to conferences

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 8th 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
- If you have a Wenonah 2nd grader planning to attend Keewaydin for 3rd grade, you **DO NOT** need to make a request.
- Any student going into grades 1-12 who wants to change schools needs to make a request.
- Questions? Call MPS Student Placement at 612.668.1840 or 612.668.3700

No School – Monday, February 19

- No school for President's Day

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- Mark your calendars and see above for all the details!

School Notes

Wenonah Pennies for Patients: Now through Friday, Mar. 16

- Wenonah Student Council will officially kick off their Pennies for Patients fundraiser for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society to help find cures for blood cancers. On February 20 a member of the “Hero Squad” will visit our all school assembly to talk about his experience with childhood Leukemia and the importance of finding a cure. How does Pennies for Patience work?
 - Students can bring their donations (pennies, coins and bills) to their classrooms any day of the week in a baggie or in the coin boxes provided. Please have them write the amount of the donation each week on a slip of paper and include it in the baggie/box.
 - Please invite your friends and family to donate online. Create an account at www.studentseries.org/find-your-school. (Make sure donors include your student’s name in notes.)
 - The top class will win a Pizza Party!
 - Students can also participate in the four special celebrations if they donate a dollar on these days: 2/23 Crazy Hat Day; 3/2 Dress as Your Favorite Book Character or Costume Day; 3/9 Crazy Hair Day; and 3/16 Hawaii Day.

Student Artists Chosen to Represent LNCS at Viva City Art Exhibit: Feb. 5 – March 25

- Congratulations to: 2nd graders~ Matilda, Betty, and Journey; 3rd grader~ Jayce; 4th grader~ Josephine M; and 5th grader~ Alexis whose artwork is on display at the Davis Center Gallery, 1250 West Broadway Ave, Mpls. These students were honored at a reception that was held on Feb. 8th. Way to go - LNCS is proud of your amazing talent!

Third Annual 6th Grade Winter Medallion Hunt Winner Announced

- 6th grade math teacher Ms. Martinson sends students out daily with clues to search for a medallion that has been hidden somewhere on Keewaydin grounds. The clues incorporate all 6th grade subject areas and the lucky finder this year is Rosey A. Congratulations to her and all the 6th graders who participated.

Look for Report Cards Coming Home

- Grades K-5: Report cards were sent home in backpacks on Wednesday, February 7.
- Grades 6-8: Report cards will be mailed home from MPS and should arrive by February 14. If you do not receive your child’s report card please contact Kameron.Wittmer@mpls.k12.mn.us .

In the Community

Free Dental Care for Children Under 18 – Saturday, February 10

- Each year, dental professionals from across the state participate in “Give Kids a Smile”, providing free dental care to children in need. Call 612-625-1669 to make your appointment today.
- Saturday, February 10th, 7:30am-2:30pm at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, 515 Delaware Street SE, Minneapolis, MN

Calendar

February

- 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 Winter Bike/Walk to School Day
- 7 Ms. Delveaux and Ms. Johnson, Field trip to Wildlife Refuge, 10am-12pm
- 7 Taste Tests at Moroccan Freekah at Wenonah lunches
- 7 Grades K-5 report cards coming home
- 7 Native American Achievement Celebration, 5:30-7:30pm at South High School
- 8 Taste Tests of Moroccan Freekah at Keewaydin lunches
- 8 Site Council meeting 5:30-6:30pm in Keewaydin Media Center
- 8 PTA meeting 6:45-7:45pm in Keewaydin Media Center
- 9 5th 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
- 12 African American Parent Involvement Day at Wenonah and Keewaydin
- 13 Chess Club at Keewaydin, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 13 Dine Out Night at Café Zupas for 8th 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, 6-8pm at Wilder Complex, 3345 Chicago Ave S. (note new side of bldg.)
- 15 Deadline to register for spring Community Education classes
- 16 Parent-Teacher Conferences: 8:30am-1:30pm at Keewaydin, 8:30am-4:30pm @ Wenonah
- 16 **NO SCHOOL for students – Conferences**
- 16 PTA Online Auction Opens
- 17 MPS School Request deadline for K-12th grades
- 19 **NO SCHOOL for students – President's Day**
- 20 Chess Club at Keewaydin, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 20 Wenonah Pennies for Patients Rally, 10:30 in the Gym
- 20 5th Grade Field Trip to Orchestra Hall, 11:30am-1:30pm
- 20 MPS Budget Discussion, 6-8pm at Wilder Complex, 3345 Chicago Ave S.
- 21 Chess Club at Wenonah, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 21 8th Grade Field Trip to STEM & Career Expo

- 21 2nd Grade to Children's Theatre Company "The Wiz", 10am-12:30pm
- 22 Drop off baked goods at school offices for Valentines Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction
- 23 Wenonah Crazy Hat Day (Bring \$1 Pennies for Patients)
- 23 Kindergarten rooms 101 & 102 to the MN Wildlife Refuge, 12:30-3:15pm
- 23 Drop off baked goods at school offices for Valentines Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction
- 24 MPS Check it Out Chess Tournament
- 24 LNCS Valentine's Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction for all families
- 26 PTA Online Auction Closes
- 27 Chess Club at Keewaydin, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 27 Wenonah Student of the Month assembly in the Gym at 10:15am
- 28 Chess Club at Wenonah, 8:30-9:30am in the Media Center
- 28 1st Grade to MN Wildlife Refuge, rooms 114 & 115 at 10:15am, rooms 110 & 111 at 1:15pm

March

Chess club continues Tuesday mornings at Keewaydin and Wednesday mornings at Wenonah, 8:30am

- 2 Wenonah Costume/Dress as Your Favorite Book Character Day (Bring \$1 Pennies for Patients)
- 2 Nokomis Librarian to visit 3rd grades
- 2 Last Day of Winter Community Education Classes
- 5 First day of Spring Community Education Classes
- 5-9 5th Graders to StarBase
- 6 6th Grade field trip to Mill City Museum, 10:15am-2:15pm
- 8 Site Council meeting 5:30-6:30pm in Keewaydin Media Center (Note location change)
- 8 PTA meeting 6:45-7:45pm in Keewaydin Media Center (Note location change)
- 9 Wenonah Crazy Hair Day (Bring \$1 Pennies for Patients)
- 16 Wenonah Hawaii Day (Bring \$1 Pennies for Patients) (Last day of Pennies for Patients)
- 20 Wenonah Night of the Arts, 1st Grade at 5:30 p.m., 2nd Grade at 6:30 p.m.; in the Wenonah gym and cafeteria
- 21 2nd Grade to Children's Theater Production of "Corduroy", 10am-12:30pm
- 22 1st Grade field trip to the Arboretum, rooms 114 & 115 at 11:15am, rooms 110 & 111 at 1:15pm
- 28 Wenonah Student of the Month assembly in the Gym at 10:15am
- 29 6-8th Grade field trip to Roller Garden, 12-3pm
- 29 3rd Graders attend puppet show, 1pm in the Keewaydin Auditorium

30-April 8 No School for Spring Break

April

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- 9 Classes Resume

