

What's Coming Up?

No School – Monday, January 21

- No school in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

6-8th Grade Field Trip to the Riverview Theater – Tuesday, January 22

- Keewaydin Middle School students and staff will be heading to the Riverview for a special screening of “The Grinch” at 12:30pm. Students need to have a signed field trip slip turned in to their advisory teacher and the cost of the trip is \$7. For more information please email: Lisa.hudson@mpls.k12.mn.us

No Afterschool Classes (Basketball teams stay for bus to games) – Tuesday & Wednesday, January 22-23

- There will be no Community Education or GEMS/GISE classes due to the short school week.
- Middle School Basketball students should stay after school for busses to these games:
 - January 22nd – Keewaydin Girls @ Lake Harriet
 - January 23rd – Keewaydin Girls and Boys @ Franklin

No School – Thursday-Friday, January 24-25

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

GEMS & GISE Robotics Exhibition and Tournament – Saturday, January 26

- GEMS & GISE students have had a fun and exciting fall! Their hard work will culminate this winter at a robotics tournament and exhibition. This event is an opportunity for students to showcase their accomplishments and hard work! Parents, family members and friends are welcome and strongly encouraged to attend. There is no cost to attend. The event will be on Saturday, January 26, 2019. Grades K-3 at 8am-1pm. Grades 4-8 at 8am-5pm. At Anishinabe Academy/Anne Sullivan Community School (3100 East 28th Street, Minneapolis 55406.) For more information email: sarahe.smith@mpls.k12.mn.us

Keewaydin Chess Club Hosts Tournament – Saturday, January 26

- Our Chess Club has formed 2 teams to compete in the Junior League Competition in Minnesota. We will be hosting the first round at Keewaydin on Saturday, January 26th from 9am-12pm in the Keewaydin cafeteria. There will be 6 teams from the Minneapolis area competing at this event. The second round of play will be held at Folwell School on February 9, 2019 (watch for details from Coach Alex about this event soon). For all LNCS Chess questions email Coach Alex: Adams922@gmail.com

Music in the Commons – Tuesday, January 29

- Families are invited to attend to enjoy the Keewaydin 6th grade band perform from 9:20-9:35am in the Commons at Keewaydin! For more information email: Allison.cramer@mpls.k12.mn.us

Taco Dinner Fundraiser at Keewaydin for 8th Grade Washington DC Trip – Tuesday, January 29

- Enjoy a delicious taco dinner and help our 8th graders travel to Washington DC in the Spring! Our PTA is hosting this fundraiser in the Keewaydin cafeteria on Tuesday, January 29 from 5:30-7pm. The cost for adults is \$8 and for kids is \$5. For more information please email: jaylanson2@gmail.com

2nd Grade Families Invited to Presentation by 3rd Grade Teachers – Thursday, January 31

- Parents of Wenonah 2nd Graders are invited to attend this presentation about 3rd grade at Keewaydin given by our third grade teachers: Ms. Lewis, Ms. Brown and Mr. McInerny. Join them in the Keewaydin Auditorium from 6:30-7:30pm to learn about “all things 3rd grade” and to ask questions about your child’s transition to Keewaydin.

WIDA/ACCESS Information Night for English Learner (EL) Families – Thursday, January 31

- EL families from both Wenonah and Keewaydin are invited to come to learn about the ACCESS tests your child will take in February and March. Join the Keewaydin and Wenonah EL teachers who will present important information and answer questions you have about EL instruction. This event will be on Thursday, January 31st from 6:30-7:30pm in the Keewaydin Auditorium. For more information email: Torben.rothgeb@mpls.k12.mn.us at Wenonah or Jessica.perez@mpls.k12.mn.us at Keewaydin

Winter Walk to School Day – Wednesday, February 6

- All students are encouraged to walk (or bike, skate or roll if the weather cooperates!) to school in honor of this. All participants will receive special stickers when they arrive. Celebrate with families around the world and enjoy the benefits of being active and outside on the way to school.

District Hosts First Ever Girls Only Check-It-Out Chess Tournament – Saturday, February 9

- To promote female participation In STEM related activities, MPS is hosting their first Girls-Only chess tournament on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at Folwell Performing Arts Magnet School, located at 3611 20th Ave. South Mpls, 55407 from 8:30am-4pm. Please enter through Door 4 for this Chess event. For more information or to register please call Janae Krantz-Odendahl at 612-668-1202. Beginners welcome!
- SAVE THE DATE for the next regular Check-It-Out-Chess Tournament on March 9, 2019

Winter Conference Dates – February 13-15 (Check specific campus)

- Please note each campus will have slightly different conference schedules this winter:
 - **Keewaydin:** Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held at Keewaydin on Wednesday, February 13 from 4:45-8:15pm and on Friday, February 15 from 8:30am-2:30pm. Watch for details about signing up for Winter Conferences in next Wednesday’s Weekly News.

- **Wenonah:** Conferences will be held at Wenonah on Thursday, February 14, 4:30-6:30pm and Friday, February 15, 8:30am-4:30pm. Watch for details from your teacher about how to sign up.

Valentine's Dinner & Dance – Saturday, February 23

- Save the date for this fun event to be held on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at Crosstown Covenant from 5:30-8pm. There will be a silent auction at the event, and a separate online auction from Friday, February 15 at 12pm through Monday, February 25 at 12pm. Stay tuned for details!

School Notes

Fundraiser for Wenonah Family - “Shakin’ It Up For Sylvia”

- In 2018 a Wenonah 1st grader Sylvia R. had surgery to remove a brain tumor – a medulloblastoma. Since then she has endured rounds of radiation and chemo. This fundraiser will help support her family with the continuing cost of medical bills. Please join us in helping to make 2019 a much brighter year for her family!
- Donations can be given to 1st grade teacher Ms. Doroff or sent via Venmo: @step-up-1 (please write “Sylvia” in the What’s it for? section)
- On Monday, January 21 stop by Step Up Nutrition in Eagan at 1095 Diffley Rd. and they will donate all profits from energy teas and shakes that day!

Keewaydin Debate Team Rocks at First Debate Tournament

- The first debate tournament last week at Central High School was a success for our debate team! Most notably, every team won at least one round, many of whom were totally new to debate. Here are some highlights of student performance by category: Rookie Division~ First Place went to Ella W.A (8th grade) and Jaelynn (7th grade), Novice Division~First Place went to 7th graders Ava W, and Laine A., Speaker Rookie Division Award~First Place went to Ella W.A. (8th grade) and Speaker Novice Division Award~First Place went to Ava W. (7th grade). 8th graders Sophie L. and Avery N. also deserve shout-outs for being the only Keewaydin team in the Varsity division. Congratulation Debate Team!

Shop at Homespun January 22-27: They’ll Donate 10% to 8th Grade DC Trip

- Homespun will donate 10% of your purchases from January 22-27 (Tuesday-Sunday) to LNCS Keewaydin 8th graders who are raising money to travel to Washington DC in May. Homespun is at 5006 34th Avenue and they sell gifts and décor made exclusively by Minnesota artists and makers, including jewelry, wall art, greeting cards, baby items, bath products and more. [Present this flyer](#) to make sure LNCS gets the donation.

In the Community

Get FREE Dental Care for Children - Friday & Saturday, Feb. 1 & 2

- Many dental clinics in Minnesota are offer free dental care to children on February 1 & 2 through “Give Kids a Smile”. To schedule an appointment simply call United Way 2-1-1 (just dial 2-1-1) or visit mndental.org to find options at various dental offices.
- An LNCS parent at Park Dental in Eden Prairie invites families to schedule free appointments there on February 1 from 12-4pm. Call 952-949-2536.

Calendar

January

- 21 No School for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 22 3rd Grade event about Dictionaries, 10:15am in the Keewaydin Auditorium
- 22-23 No Afterschool Classes
- 24-25 No School for teacher record keeping and training
- 26 GEMS/GISE Robotics Competition, Anishinabe Academy/Anne Sullivan Community School (3100 East 28th Street, Mpls.) Grades K-3 at 8am-1pm. Grades 4-8 at 8am-5pm.
- 29 Taco Dinner Night, 5:30-7pm in the Keewaydin Cafeteria. Proceeds to spring DC Trip
- 30-31 5th Grade to StarBase, 9:40am-3pm
- 30 Wenonah Student of the Month, 10:15 in the Gymnasium
- 31 WIDA Information Night for Wenonah and Keewaydin English Learner families from 6:30-7:30pm in Keewaydin Auditorium
- 31 2nd Grade Families Invite to Presentation by 3rd Grade Teachers, 6:30-7:30 in the Keewaydin Auditorium
- 31 Black Parents Advisory Council Meeting, 6-8pm at the MPS Davis Center, 1250 W Broadway Ave, Mpls 55411

February

- 1, 4, 5 5th Grade to StarBase, 9:40am-3pm
- 5 Kindergarteners to the Children’s Museum, 9:50am
- 7 Wenonah Pennies for Patients Kick Off, 10:15am
- 7 Keewaydin rooms 100 & 108 to MN Science Museum
- 7 Site Council Meeting, 5:30-6:30
- 7 PTA Meeting, 6:45-7:45
- 8 Phillips Eye Institute Screening at Wenonah
- 11 Wenonah Talent Show
- 11 Wenonah African American Parent Involvement Day
- 14 Wenonah Food Drive Last Day
- 14 4th Grade Field Trip to Orchestra Hall, 10:40am-12:40pm
- 15 No School – Parent/Teacher conferences

- 18 No School - President's Day
- 19 Kindergarten Room 100 to Food Shelf, 10am-noon
- 26 3rd Grade rooms 114 & 116 to Minneapolis Institute of Art
- 27 3rd Grade room 118 to Minneapolis Institute of Art