

## What's Coming Up?

### Last Chance to Give to Mpls Kids Donation Drive – Monday, March 25

- The LNCS Mpls Kids Youth Advisory Council is leading a donation drive to benefit People Service People. Please bring items like diapers, games, sheets, blankets, and more by Monday, March 25th. A donation box and full information is outside the Wenonah office.

### Claim Lost & Found Items by March 27

- Please claim your student's lost items ASAP. After March 27 they will be washed and used at school or donated.
- Keewaydin: Lost items are on the table in the commons.
- Wenonah: Lost items are in the hallway between the gym and the cafeteria

### Keewaydin Pennies for Patients Continues until March 28

- AVID Club is collecting money to help children battling cancer and to help find a cure! Keewaydin is joining 27,000 schools across the nation to make a difference and raise at least \$750 from our school community. If that goal is reached, the classroom with that raises the most money will win a pizza party! There will also be chances to win smaller prizes throughout this fundraiser. Donations to Pennies for Patients also help families pay for medicine and other expenses so let's work together to make our school goal! For more information on how to set up your own online fundraising page, please email: [Deborah.wuerffel@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:Deborah.wuerffel@mpls.k12.mn.us)

### Dulcimer Concert for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Families – Thursday, March 28

- Family and friends of our 4<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to attend a Dulcimer Concert where our talented students will ROCK on the dulcimers they each built! Join us in the Keewaydin Auditorium on Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 10am for the culminating performance of their hard work and practice! A special THANKS to the LNCS PTA who funds this amazing opportunity for every 4<sup>th</sup> grade student!

### **NO SCHOOL** for Spring Break – Friday, March 29 – Friday, April 5

- We'll have 6 days off school for spring break, and return to classes on April 8

### 5<sup>th</sup> Annual MPS Junior Iron Chef Competition Applications Due April 5

- Calling all middle school student chefs! MPS Culinary and Wellness is looking for middle school (6-8<sup>th</sup> grade) students to apply to participate in the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Jr. Iron Chef Competition on Thursday, May 2, 2019 from 5:30-7:30pm (need to arrive by 4:30pm) at Solar Arts by Chowgirls located at 711 NE 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Minneapolis. Applications are due by 4pm on Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup> and students should apply as a team of 2 students from the same school, online at: [http://cws.mpls.k12.mn.us/junior\\_iron\\_chef](http://cws.mpls.k12.mn.us/junior_iron_chef) . Selected students will be paired with local

chefs to compete top-chef style for a panel of judges. Six teams will be chosen to compete. For more information email: [Kate.Seybold@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:Kate.Seybold@mpls.k12.mn.us) or by phone at 612-668-2852

### Last Days of Chess Club for this Year – April 9 & 10

- The last day of Chess Club for this school year will be: for Keewaydin, Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> and for Wenonah, Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. It's been an amazing year for our Chess Club and we give a huge shout-out to our coaches for making the LNCS Chess program so successful. Congratulations to all the students who participated in Chess and keep playing over the spring and summer! See you at Chess next fall!

### Wenonah Woodlawn Walks Starts Again Friday, April 12 – Can you Volunteer?

- Spring is here! Woodlawn Walks will start again **at Wenonah** the Friday after spring break. Busses will drop off students 6 blocks away so they can reap the benefits of a supervised walk to school every Friday. Contact the school office at 612-668-5040 if you would like your student to “opt out” of the walk.
- **Want to Volunteer!?** We are always welcoming new volunteers to help as line leaders and crossing guards. It's a great way to start your day outdoors and with some awesome kiddos. Are you available most Friday mornings, 9:15 – 9:45 a.m., April 12 – May 24? Contact [Jill.kilibarda@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:Jill.kilibarda@mpls.k12.mn.us) or 612-668-5040.
- **Keewaydin:** Due to bussing timing, Keewaydin students will begin Woodlawn Walks in May.

### Wenonah Volunteer Appreciation Party – Thursday, April 18

- Volunteers, You Rock! If you volunteered to support Wenonah in any way this year (eg. as a chaperone, in the classroom, at a PTA event), please come celebrate! Thursday, April 18, 2:30-4:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. Students from every classroom have been working hard to prepare the decorations, entertainment, thank you gifts, and refreshments, all while learning about how to show gratitude. RSVP to [jill.kilibarda@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:jill.kilibarda@mpls.k12.mn.us).
- Students are encouraged to wear 1950's attire to school this day, and so are you! Feel free to come to the party in your favorite 50's wear.

### Wenonah “Dress Like the 1950's” Day – Thursday, April 18

- In honor of our Volunteer Party theme, all students are encouraged to wear 1950's attire to school this day. Students could wear blue jeans, white t-shirts, poodle skirts, scarves, pony tails, or greased-back hair. All students will be given special 1950's stickers that day so everyone can participate.

### Keewaydin Night of the Arts – Tuesday, April 23

- Formerly known as “Fine Arts Night”, all LNCS families are welcome to join us for this celebration of the Arts by our talented student artists! Keewaydin Band Concert 6:30-7:30pm in the auditorium. Cookies after the concert. Student Visual Art Exhibit & Sale 6:30-8pm. For more information please email: [Katrina.croft@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:Katrina.croft@mpls.k12.mn.us)

### Keewaydin Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast – Wednesday, May 1

- We love our volunteers and want to show our appreciation at a breakfast in your honor on Wednesday, May 1 at 8:30am in the Keewaydin Auditorium. Please join us for some delicious food and dynamite entertainment! If you'd like to RSVP please email: [Anne.tank@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:Anne.tank@mpls.k12.mn.us) or just join us on May 1 at 8:30am. ☺

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip to Keewaydin – Tuesday, May 7

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade students will spend the morning at Keewaydin getting ready for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade! They will meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teachers, have Q & A in the classrooms, enjoy student performances in the auditorium, and eat lunch in the cafeteria. 10am-12:20pm. Adult volunteers are also invited to attend as chaperones.
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## School Notes

### MPS Making Improvements to Robo Call System

- For a year MPS has been troubleshooting an issue that caused some families not to receive robo calls/emails. This week they implemented a fix with our vendor. While this is a good change that makes sure more people are receiving the messages they are supposed to, it does mean more numbers will be getting messages. They are working to make sure work numbers do not get calls, but if the numbers are not properly marked in the database as being a work number, families may get calls at that number.
- Thanks for your patience and understanding for any unforeseen kinks that may arise with this change! As always, families can change their preferences about which numbers get what type of calls by following the instructions at [mpls.k12.mn.us/school\\_messenger](https://mpls.k12.mn.us/school_messenger). (Any edits you make online only impact the robo call system. Please always call the school if your phone, email or address change.)

### Keewaydin Box Top Winners

- Thanks to all the students who collect Box Tops and bring them to school. Money from Box Tops helps fund field trips and other student activities. Keep collecting them everyone!
  - And now for the individual prize winners at Keewaydin...3<sup>rd</sup> grade winner is Olliver from Room 118, 4<sup>th</sup> grade winner is Torbin from Room 106 and the 5<sup>th</sup> grade winner is Lucy L. from Room 218. And the classroom who collected the most Box Tops and receives the Golden Troll Trophy is Ms. Hall's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class! Way to go and congratulations to all our winners! (Wenonah winners are announced at our monthly Student of the Month Celebrations.)
  - A special shout out to volunteer Rebecca Weigel who does all the organizing for the LNCS Box Tops Programs ~ WE APPRECIATE YOU!
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## In the Community

### Indoor Block Party at Keewaydin Campus – Saturday, March 23

- Join the LNCS PTA and Nokomis East Business Association (NEBA) for an Indoor Block Party from 10am-1pm at Keewaydin. Admission is free. Come for food, fun, crafts, entertainment and bounce houses all featuring local Nokomis business and non-profit partners. For more information email: [lncs.pta@gmail.com](mailto:lncs.pta@gmail.com)

## Baseball & Softball Registration Open at Keewaydin Rec Center

- They have programs for kids ages 5 and up (Morris Park has t-ball for 3-4 year olds too)! Flyers were sent home a couple weeks ago, or contact the park for a new one. Registration deadline is April 12<sup>th</sup> and some teams are filling up already (waitlists are started and they will open more teams if they have enough players). Sign up at [www.minneapolisparcs.org](http://www.minneapolisparcs.org) or in person at Keewaydin Rec Center. Questions? Contact [Keewaydin@minneapolisparcs.org](mailto:Keewaydin@minneapolisparcs.org) or 612-370-4956.

## Summer Rec Plus at Keewaydin Rec Center

- Full day child care offered for kids that have completed Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grades. June 10-Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> (closed July 4<sup>th</sup>) 7am-6pm. \$40/day (discounted rate for summer school & GEMS/GISE). To register or for more information, stop by the Rec Center or email [RecPlusKeewaydin@minneapolisparcs.org](mailto:RecPlusKeewaydin@minneapolisparcs.org)

## Save the Date – Summer Kickoff Ice Cream Social and Movie in the Park – Friday, June 14

- Enjoy ice cream (sponsored by Minnehaha Falls Athletic Club), bounce houses, music, games and a food truck at Keewaydin Park from 6-8pm. Then starting at dusk, bring a blanket or lawn chair and watch the movie “Sandlot” outdoors on their baseball fields. What a great way to kick off the summer with family and friends!

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## Calendar

### March

- 23 Regional History Day at Roosevelt High, 8am-noon for LNCS
- 25 Wenonah Student of the Month Celebration, 10:15am in the gymnasium
- 26 Keewaydin Debate Team Championship
- 27 1<sup>st</sup> Grade to MN Arboretum
- 27 MN Corn Program Assemblies, Grades 5/6 at 10am and grades 3/4 at 11:15am
- 28 5<sup>th</sup> Grade to MN History Museum, 10am-2:45pm
- 28 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Dulcimer Concert, 10-11:30am in the Keewaydin Auditorium
- 29 **No School – Teacher Record Keeping Day**

### April

- 1-5 **No School – Spring Break**
- 8 Classes resume
- 9 Last day of Chess Club at Keewaydin
- 10 Last day of Chess Club at Wenonah
- 12 Woodlawn Walk – Wenonah only
- 15 Mpls Kids fall registration opens for return families and their siblings, at noon

- 18 Wenonah "Dress Like the 50's" Day
- 18 Wenonah Volunteer Party, 2:30-4pm in the gym
- 19 Woodlawn Walk – Wenonah only
- 19 AVID grade 7 to Metro State University
- 22 AVID grade 8 to MCTC
- 23 Keewaydin "Night of the Arts", Band Concert 6:30-7:30, Visual Arts Exhibit & Sale 6:30-8:00pm
- 26 Woodlawn Walk – Wenonah only
- 29 Mpls Kids fall registration opens for new families, at noon

## **May**

- 1 Keewaydin Volunteer Breakfast, 8:30am in the Auditorium
- 3 Woodlawn Walk – Keewaydin & Wenonah
- 7 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade field trip to Keewaydin, 10:00am–12:15pm
- 10 Woodlawn Walk – Keewaydin & Wenonah
- 16 Kindergarten Registration 6-7:30pm
- 17 Woodlawn Walk – Keewaydin & Wenonah
- 19-23 8<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to Washington DC
- 20 Patrol Squad field trip to Mall of America, 9:40am-3:30pm
- 24 Last Woodlawn Walk of the year