

What's Coming Up?

LNCS Spring Carnival TONIGHT! – Friday, May 10

- Join us for a great evening of family fun from 5-8pm at Keewaydin. Find something for everyone - including games, inflatables course, prizes, face painting, cookie walk, basket auction, scavenger hunt, bike park, sports, and food.
- **New Sports Activities & Pop-up Bike Park** Bring your own bike and ride over and around features on a fun course to hone your skills and gain confidence. And test your skills in individual sports activities such as a Home Run Derby and NFL style “combine”.
- **Financial Support:** Please talk with Ms. Frisbie (Wenonah Social Worker) or Ms. Burger (Keewaydin Social Worker) if you would like help with the cost of game and food tickets. We never want cost to prevent anyone from attending the carnival.

Summer Dance Party for Grades 6-8 TONIGHT! – Friday, May 10

- Summer Themed Middle School Dance Party is from 5:30-7:30pm in the Keewaydin Auditorium. This dance is for Keewaydin students only in grades 6-8. Dress in casual or formal attire (sandals, sunglasses and appropriate summer themed clothes!) There is a suggested donation of \$3 per student and parents/guardians are responsible for transportation. Permission slips must be signed and returned to advisory teachers. For more information about this dance email: anne.tank@mpls.k12.mn.us

No Afterschool Classes / Community Ed / GEMS GISE

- All afterschool classes have finished at Keewaydin and Wenonah. Make sure your student's teacher knows how they should get home each day.

Keewaydin After School Club Celebrates LGBTQ+ History Week – May 13 - 17

- The Keewaydin afterschool Gender and Sexuality Alliance (G.S.A.) will be hosting LGBTQ+ History Week from May 13th - May 17th. Students and staff are encouraged to celebrate and explore LGBTQ+ history this week, and use this time to be inspired to incorporate more LGBTQ+ narratives into every day. We will start the day with a Leader of the Day announcement highlighting an important historical figure. We will also have a table at lunch with buttons, trivia and learning resources.

Wenonah FAST Assessments Schedule – May 13-24

- Wenonah students will take the FAST assessment this spring. Some tips are to make sure your child is well rested, eats a healthy breakfast, and arrives at school on time.
- 110 reading on 5/13, 114 reading on 5/14, 115 reading on 5/15, 114 math on 5/17, 110 math on 5/20, 107 math on 5/20, 107 reading on 5/21, 109 math on 5/21, 111 reading on 5/22, 108 math on 5/23, 109 reading on 5/23

All Families Invited to PTA Meeting – Thursday, May 16

- Join us at 6:45pm in the Wenonah Media Center for our last meeting of the year. Childcare for ages 3 and up will be provided.
- Come to discuss a couple of topics that will impact our school and neighborhood: 1) the Minneapolis Public School's Comprehensive District Design proposal for the services and resources to be offered at each school in the future, 2) the Park Board's new Master Plan Proposal for changes to Keewaydin Park
- We'll also vote for new PTA Board Members for next year and celebrate our accomplishments in 2018-19.

"Bike to School Day" & LNCS Bike Bus – Rescheduled to Friday, May 17

- On May 17 all students are encouraged to bike to school. There will be snacks and stickers at both campuses to celebrate your accomplishments!
- You are also invited to join our "Bike Bus" to Keewaydin and Wenonah. A bike bus is a group of people riding to a common location, and families can join the group at scheduled stops throughout the neighborhood. Visit www.mplsbikeparks.org/lncs for a map and schedule, and to sign up so we can plan for quantities and contact you with any weather updates.
- This event is organized by the Minneapolis Bike Parks and LNCS PTA. Questions? Contact Devin Olson at devo_25@hotmail.com or 952-210-9080.

1st and 2nd Grade Fishing Field Trips in Physical Education – Tuesday-Friday, May 21-24

- Make sure students return their permission slips and dress for the weather. Get ready for a fun week of learning "catch and release" fishing.
- Lots of volunteers are needed! Sign up on the bottom of the permission slip, or at Andrew.pritchard@mpls.k12.mn.us or 612-668-9988.
- 1st grade classes will be walking to Lake Nokomis. 5/21 room 114 @ 2:40-3:50, 5/22 room 110 @ 11:25-12:40, 5/23 room 111 @ 11:05-12:20 and 115 @ 2:40-3:50.
- 2nd grade will be biking to Lake Nokomis. Students may bring their own bike and helmet, or they may borrow them from school. Students who are not comfortable on bikes may ride scooters, use training wheels or walk or run to the lake. 5/21 room 107 @ 10:10-11:25 & 109 @ 11:40-12:40, 5/22 room 106 @ 10:010-11:25, 5/24 room 108 @ 10:10-11:25.

Keewaydin English Learner (EL) Family Potluck Picnic – Thursday, May 23

- EL students and their families are welcome to attend this fun event to celebrate all the great learning that our EL students have achieved during the year. Join us on Thursday, May 23rd from 5:30-7:30pm in the Keewaydin cafeteria and playground. Each family is asked to bring something to share and stay for a portion of the event or all evening! There will be face painting, henna art, student work displayed, food and fun! Please enter through Door 3 which is located by the pool side of our school. For more information email: Jessica.perez@mpls.k12.mn.us or Colleen.larsen@mpls.k12.mn.us

Wenonah Kindergarten Registration – Thursday, May 23

- Do you have a student entering Kindergarten at Wenonah this fall? Look in the mail for an invitation to Kindergarten Registration on May 23 at 6-7:30pm. Come complete your registration paperwork and help your student get excited to start Kindergarten!

Save the Date for 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony – Thursday, June 6

- The 8th grade Promotion Ceremony will be on June 6th at 10:30am in the Keewaydin auditorium. 8th graders and their families and friends are welcome to attend. Watch for more details soon.

School Notes

LNCS Staff Sends Heartfelt Gratitude for Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week

- From the sign on the front lawns, to the student signs, decorations and cards, to the delicious food and treats delivered each day this past week ~ WE ARE SO HONORED AND OVERWHELMED BY THE GENEROSITY OF OUR FAMILIES! ALL STAFF FELT PAMPERED AND APPRECIATED BY YOUR THOUGHTFULNESS! One teacher said, “I have never felt so appreciated in all of my 30 years of teaching!” A million thanks for everything! Sincerely, Everyone on the LNCS Staff

Adopt a Garden @ Wenonah!

- Looking for a great way to volunteer as a family? We are looking for 5 families to each adopt one of the gardens at Wenonah this spring and summer (or recruit another family and work as a team). You’ll make sure the gardens look great by doing occasional weeding, watering, planting etc.
- We can provide you with materials like mulch and plants from local donors.
- We can provide you with volunteers at our Garden Night to be planned soon.
- Please contact jill.kilibarda@mpls.k12.mn.us with questions or to pick a garden!

Got a Preschooler? Join the “Get Read for Kindergarten” Class at Wenonah Starting May 13

- Nokomis Library is offering a series of classes for 4-5 year olds and their favorite adult. Mondays, 10:30-11:30am May 13 – June 10 (no class Memorial Day) at Wenonah campus. Siblings also welcome! Help your preschooler develop the skills they need to succeed in school through researched-based practices and activities shared in this program. Register for the entire series by calling 612-543-6805 or emailing Lisa at lmstuart@hclib.org. There is still room!

Learn MPS’s Comprehensive District Design Recommendations & Give Feedback

- MPS is ready to share the initial recommendations of its Comprehensive District Design process, a plan for fundamentally improving the way MPS educates its students. Learn more about proposed recommendations on this [website](#), or by reading this [one-page](#) overview. Proposed changes could mean important changes at LNCS and other MPS schools.
- Please attend one of these information sessions to learn more and give your input.
 - May 13: Edison High School, 700 22nd Ave. NE, 6-8pm

- May 16: Southwest High School, 3414 W. 47th St, 6-8pm
- May 20: Wilder Building, 34th & Chicago, 6-8pm
- May 21: Davis Center, 1250 W. Broadway, 6-8pm

In the Community

Summer Activities for Youth and Families at Nokomis & Roosevelt Libraries

- Look in backpacks for a schedule of all the great events happening at Nokomis and Roosevelt Libraries this summer! Events include arts & crafts, nature, theater, kid's book clubs, story time, and more. Visit the [Nokomis Library Online Calendar](#) for details, and you can select a different library if you want to see other schedules.

Calendar

May

- 10 LNCS Carnival, 5-8pm at Keewaydin
- 10 6-8 Grade Summer Dance Party, 5:30-7:30pm in the Keewaydin Auditorium
- 14 2nd Grade room 109 to Minnehaha Food Shelf, 10am-12pm
- 14 3rd Grade to Fairgrounds for Ag Day
- 15 3rd Grade to Target Field
- 16 PTA Meeting 6:45-7:45pm in the Wenonah Media Center
- 16 ~~Kindergarten Registration 6-7:30pm~~ (Date moved to May 23)
- 17 Woodlawn Walk – Keewaydin & Wenonah
- 19-23 8th Grade trip to Washington DC
- 20 Patrol Squad field trip to Mall of America, 9:40am-3:30pm
- 23 6th Grade field trip to Roller Gardens 10:15-12:30pm
- 23 Visiting artist in 3rd grades, 2-3:30pm
- 23 English Learner Family Picnic/Potluck, 6pm at Keewaydin
- 23 Kindergarten Registration 6-7:30, Wenonah gym (note this new date)
- 24 Last Woodlawn Walk of the year
- 24 Grades 3-5 Field Day
- 24 Visiting artist in 3rd grade, 2-3:30pm
- 27 No School - Memorial Day
- 28 AVID Family Night
- 31 Wenonah Student of the Month Celebration, 10:15am in the Wenonah Gym

June

- 3 Keewaydin Field Day Rain Make-up Day
- 3-6 Wenonah Camp Skeeter
- 6 Wenonah Field Day
- 6 8th Grade Promotion, 10:30am in the Keewaydin Auditorium
- 7 7th/8th Grades to Valleyfair
- 7 Wenonah Field Day Rain Make-up Day