

Kenwood School Newsletter

Principally Speaking

March 21, 2018

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress Summative Assessments and California Science Test, 2017–18

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Each spring, students in grades three through eight and high school participate in the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP).

This year, your child will take the following test(s), depending on his or her grade level:

Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment in English language arts/ literacy (grades three through eight and grade eleven)

Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment in mathematics (grades three through eight and grade eleven)

The Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments are online tests that measure what your child knows and is able to do. The tests include many different types of questions that allow students to interact with the test questions. Results help identify gaps in knowledge or skills early on so your child can get the support he or she needs to be successful in school.

California is in the process of implementing the California Next Generation Science Standards. As part of that implementation, students in grades five, eight and high school will try out a new test called the California Science Test, or CAST.

At Kenwood School our testing window is April 30 - May 10. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.

Sincerely,

Bob Bales
Superintendent/Principal
Kenwood School District

How can I help my child get ready for the CAASPP?

You are an important part of your child's education. Some things you can do to help your child are:

- Talk about the test with your child. Make sure they are not scared or anxious.
- Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and a nutritious breakfast before testing.

2018 Sonoma County Spelling Bee Results

On January 16 a dozen students from the 5th and 6th Grades faced off for the school Spelling Bee in the Kenwood Multipurpose Room. Fifth Grader Alex Schoell and Sixth Grader William Clementi won that contest and proceeded to the Sonoma County Regional Bee on January 31 at Hidden Valley Elementary School in Santa Rosa, where Alex placed second! That enabled him to move on to the Sonoma County Spelling Bee on March 12 at the Sonoma County Office of Education, where he finished sixth!

Congratulations to Alex for his spelling accomplishments and to all of the other Kenwood students who participated in this year's Sonoma County Spelling Bee!

UPCOMING EVENTS

3/20 KEF Meeting, School Library, 6 p.m.

3/23 KSA Father/Daughter Dance at the Kenwood Depot

3/26-3/29 BOOK FAIR

3/30 Grandparents and Special Friends Day

SPRING BREAK: APRIL 2-6

5/12 Lights, Camera, Auction! May 12, 2018

ART CLUB NEWS

Last 2 classes are 3/22 and 3/29

“Grandparents’ and Special Friends’ Day” : Friday, March 30, 2018.

Childs Name: _____ Grade: ____ Teacher: _____

My child will participate in “Grandparents’ and Special Friends’ Day” as follows:

____My child will invite a grandparent/grandparents

____My child will invite a special friend

Name of guest/guests: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Relationship to child: _____

COUGAR CLUB NEWS

April contracts are out next week!

Please pick up contracts from the main office, Cougar Club or print online from the www.kenwoodschoo.org website. Knowing your childcare plans help us be prepared for staffing. Contracts are due Friday, April 13th.

Thank you,

Cougar Club

PARENT REMINDER

- 1) For safety reasons, please do not drop your child off in the back staff parking lot.*
- 2) Please do not send your child's lunch in glass containers.*

Thank you.

Rainbow Garden Preschool News

Rainbow Garden is now accepting enrollment applications for the 2018-2019 school year.

Rainbow Garden Preschool
(707)833-6551

Homework Club meets on Mondays from 3:05-3:45 in the Grade 4 or Grade 6 classroom.

School Lunch News:

On Facebook, search for the "Kenwood Café" to find out about our exciting school lunch program.

Main Office: 833-2500

Attendance Line: 341-0102

Cougar Club: 833-4383

Rainbow Garden Preschool: 833-6551

KSA PRESENTS

One Night in Paris



FRIDAY, MARCH 23RD

HORS D' OEUVRES, DRINKS, AND DANCING
PARTY STARTS @ 6PM | LADIES DRESS TO IMPRESS

Hey Kenwood Cougars, who feels like

DANCING???

After school **ZUMBA** Dance class with
Nina Schielein

WHEN: Mondays starting April 16th-May 21st.

TIME: K-3rd @ 2:35 / 4th-6th @ 3:10

Each class is 30 minutes long. Younger students may attend the first or second session. 30 students MAX per session. Parents and teachers, feel free to join in at NO cost!!

WHERE: Kenwood Elementary multi purpose room

COST: \$20 for entire series.

PLEASE SIGN UP IN OFFICE BY MONDAY APRIL 9TH. Students need to be picked up promptly after class in front of school.

GET YOUR SNEAKERS ON AND GET READY TO

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NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!!!!

BRAVERY RECOMMENDED 😊

Ocean Guardians Announce Waste Free Lunch Week

The Kenwood School Ocean Guardians are sponsoring a Waste Free Lunch Week at school the week of March 26-30. We are asking all students to reduce the number of single-use items, such as plastic bags, bottles, forks, knives, and spoons, food wrappers, juice boxes, paper plates, napkins, etc. that we throw away each day after lunch. We are urging you to check your student's lunch and replace these items with reusable alternatives, such as reusable water or beverage bottles, food containers, metal cutlery, cloth napkins, and so on.

Listed below are links to companies that sell a wide variety of high-quality reusables:

BentoWare: <http://bentology.com/>

Ukonserve: www.ukonserve.com/

Reusit: www.rreusit.com/

New Wave Enviro: www.newwaveenviro.com

Klean Kanteen: www.kleankanteen.com/

**Help us save our watershed
and ocean, one reusable item
at a time!**

Kenwood Firefighters' Association

presents

Easter Egg Hunt

For children Pre-K through Grade 5



Saturday, March 31st

Plaza Park

9 AM SHARP!