Kenwood School Newsletter

Principally Speaking

August 24, 2022

Dear Kenwood School Families,

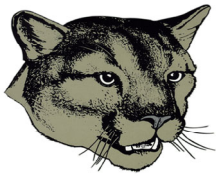
We have finished our first 6 days of school and are already seeing how excited students, staff and parents are to be back to school.

We have a few new programs that have already started. Over the summer our staff was trained in Restorative Practices. Restorative Practices helps to strengthen relationships between individuals as well as social connections within communities. We feel that by creating a strong and healthy class and school community, more students will develop social emotional skills that will increase inclusivity and a sense of belonging. Restorative Practices also helps students to repair any harm they may have caused due to their behavior by helping them to learn how to better deal with difficult situations.

We have also partnered with Rincon Valley Union School District to provide free breakfast and lunch to all students. Meals are prepared at Austin Creek Elementary School and brought to us, hot, daily. Menu choices are based on the Nation School Lunch Program, meaning there are minimum nutritional values that must be followed to create healthy meals. Students are given a variety of choices to give students options of foods they enjoy. There have been a few snags as we develop this program with Rincon Valley. However, it looks like things are smoothing out and the students are becoming much more comfortable making quick choices as they get their meals.

With the new food program, we are also working hard to reduce our trash. The 5th and 6th graders will be helping our school to compost food and other products in an effort to cut down on waste in our landfills. Students are working hard and asking great questions as they do their best to put compost, trash, or recycling into the correct bins.

We hope to see everyone at 6:00 pm on August 25th for Back to School Night. Teachers have been working hard to prepare for this event as this is their chance to give you all the important information that will help you to support your student(s) during this school year. At 6:45 we will have both the Kenwood School Association and the Kenwood Education Foundation present their missions, how they support our students, and how YOU can become involved in continuing to make Kenwood School the BEST in Sonoma County!



Welcome Back Cougar Club Families!

Attention Families who are using our after school childcare (Cougar Club):
Our Cougar Club capacity is reaching the highest numbers in years. It is imperative that you get your monthly Cougar Club contracts in no later than the first Friday of each month. These monthly contracts insure your space in the after school program and help us prepare for staffing and snacks. Contracts can be found attached to this newsletter, on the https://www.kenwoodschool.org/ website, in the main office and in Cougar Club.

September contracts are due: FRIDAY, September 2nd

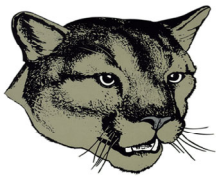
Upcoming Events

Parent Reminder
Wednesday
Dismissal Time is
1:30 p.m.
For Grades 1-6

8/25/22 Early Dismissal for Back to School Night, 1:30 p.m.

8/25/22 BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT
6:00-6:40 Grades K-3
6:45 School Staff Introductions
7:05-7:35 Grades 4-6

9/1/22 Board of Trustees Meeting in the School Library, 4:00 p.m.



9/2/22 September Cougar Club contracts are due

9/5/22 Labor Day: No School

9/18/22 Spaghetti Feed for Sixth Grade Outdoor Ed Fundraiser at the Maple Ring in Kenwood, 3-6 p.m.

9/30/22 KSA Jog-a-Thon, 9-10 a.m.

9/30/22 KSA Fall Festival at the Kenwood School Field, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

10/5/22 Picture Day (Information to Follow)

Main Office: (707) 833-2500
Attendance Line: (707) 341-0102
Cougar Club: (707) 833-4383
Rainbow Garden Preschool: (707) 833-6551

Thursday, August 25, 2022: Early Dismissal at 1:30 p.m. for Grades 1-6

DONATE A DESSERT FOR AUCTION!

Join us for a

PASTA FEED

FOR

6TH GRADE ANNUAL OUTDOOR ED FUNDRAISER

Sunday, September 18th -3:00-6:00PM
The Maple Ring
655 Kenilworth Rd, Kenwood
Get your Tickets Today!!
Sold by:
6th Graders, Kenwood Market, Kenwood School &
Eventbright https://www.eventbrite.com/e/384179981667
Early Birds $20 Per Ticket
After Sep 14th $25 Per Ticket

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KENWOOD COUGAR CLUB
Kindergarten - 6th Grade
September 2022

Child's Name:_____Grade:_____

Please mark the ***DAYS and TIMES*** your child will be attending in the calendar boxes below.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1	**2** ***Contracts Due***
Labor Day Holiday No School	**6**	**7** ***Wed. 1:30 pm dismissal***	**8**	**9**
12	**13**	**14** ***Wed. 1:30 pm dismissal***	**15**	**16**
19	**20**	**21** ***Wed. 1:30 pm dismissal***	**22**	**23**
26	**27**	**28** ***Wed. 1:30 pm dismissal***	**29**	**30**
October contracts will be ready to be filled out the last week of September. Due date: October 7th				

CONTRACT AND PAYMENT FOR DAYCARE ARE DUE NO LATER THAN *FRIDAY* THE 2nd of September TO AVOID BEING CHARGED AT THE DROP – IN RATE!

FEES WORK SHEET:

Kinder-6th grade $9.00 per hour (No 1/4 hr. Rate)

(K is out at 12:00pm through November 28th, please note hours needed starting at 12:00pm)

_____1 hour@ $9.00 **(# of hours X 9.00= _____)**

_____2:30 Club **(2:30-3:05) $4.50(NO Extending) 1st - 3rd graders only** **(# of days X $4.50 = ____)**
NO 2:30 Club on Minimum Days

DROP IN RATE: Additional **$5.00** to Daily Fee
(*This amount applies daily when contracts are not turned in by **Friday, September 2nd**)

BALANCE FORWARD: _____

Total Due: _____

I understand that I need to pay for all the days I contracted for, regardless of whether my child attends. Late pick up fees will be charged. If you have any questions, please call Jennifer Stenerson, at 833-6551.

_____ _____
Parent/Guardian Signature Date

Kenwood School Association
Students : Teachers : Parents : Community

KSA Proposed Schedule of Events
2022-2023

Coffee and Pastries - Parent Meet and Greet
Friday, August 19th
8:30-9:30am
School Picnic Tables

Jog-a-Thon & Pizza Party Lunch
Friday, September 30th **Begin fundraising 9/5**
9:00-10:00am
Kenwood School Field

Fall Festival
Friday, September 30th
5:30-7:30pm
Kenwood School Field

Kozlowski Pie Fundraiser
Students sell 2nd half of October
Delivered/Picked up Wednesday before Thanksgiving

Holiday Boutique
December 5, 6, and 7 - (Check-in Dec 2 and 5, Check-out Dec 8)
Kenwood Cafeteria

Chili Cook-Off
Friday, February 3rd
6:00-8:00pm
Kenwood Depot

Father-Daughter Dance
Friday, April 7th
6:00-8:00pm
Kenwood Depot

Mother-Son Event (Kickball and Dinner)
Friday, April 28th
5:30-7:30pm
Kenwood Field

Monthly Meetings
First Wednesday of the month - 12 noon - Zoom

Why Girl Scouts?

Girl Scouts are confident—even in the face of challenges. They're kind, even when others aren't. They're problem solvers who see opportunity where others get stuck. Essentially, a Girl Scout is your kid at their best.

We're here with your family to support:

Her Dreams

Right now, Girl Scouts are learning about robots, hiking, dancing, painting murals, feeding the hungry, and even writing laws to change the world. If she can dream it, we'll help her do it.

Her Growth

Girl Scouts focus on their potential rather than perfection. They try new things, knowing they'll be accepted by their sister Girl Scouts for exactly who they are today and who they can be tomorrow.

Her Success

Girl Scouts are all about collaboration, not competition. Meeting goals and celebrating wins as a team doesn't just feel great, it teaches them to work well with others, which will take them far in life.

Best of all, when she becomes a Girl Scout, you become a Girl Scout family—creating special memories, bonding over challenges, and growing stronger together every day.

Head to www.gsnorcal.org/join and start the adventure today.

¿Por qué Girl Scouts?

Girl Scouts son seguras de sí mismas—incluso cuando enfrentan desafíos. Son amables, aun cuando otros no lo son. Saben solucionar problemas y ven oportunidades donde otros se dan por vencidos. Esencialmente, una Girl Scout es una niña en su mejor momento.

Estamos aquí con su familia para apoyarle:

Sus sueños

En este momento, las Girl Scouts están aprendiendo sobre robots, excursionismo, baile, pinturas murales, alimentando a los necesitados e incluso escribiendo leyes para cambiar el mundo. Lo que ella sueñe nosotros le podemos ayudar.

Su crecimiento

Girl Scouts se enfocan en la potencial y no en la perfección. Girl Scouts intentan cosas nuevas, sabiendo que serán aceptadas por sus hermanas en Girl Scouts por lo que son hoy y por lo que podrán ser mañana.

Su éxito

Girl Scouts creen en la colaboración y en cumplir con sus objetivos y celebrar sus victorias como equipo. También les enseñan a trabajar bien con los demás y esto las llevará lejos en la vida.

Lo mejor de todo es que cuando ella se convierte en Girl Scout, usted se convierte en parte de la familia de Girl Scouts—creará recuerdos especiales, superará desafíos y juntos se harán más fuertes cada día.

Diríjase al www.gsnorcal.org/join y comience la aventura hoy.

KENWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR
2022-2023

							Days of Instruction	Teacher Days
August	1	2	3	4	5	Staff Development – 8/15		
	8	9	10	11	12	Teacher Work Day – 8/16	11	13
Week 1	15	16	/17\	/18\	/19\	First Day of School - 8/17		
Week 2	22	23	/24\	/25\	26	Min. Days: 1:30 Dismissal – 8/18, 8/19, 8/25		
Week 1	29	30	/31\			Back to School Night – 8/25		
September				1	2			
2	5	6	/7\	8	9	Labor Day Holiday – 9/5	21	21
1	12	13	/14\	15	16			
2	19	20	/21\	22	23			
1	26	27	/28\	29	30			
October	3	4	/5\	6	7			
2	10	11	/12\	13	14		21	21
1	17	18	/19\	20	21			
2	24	25	/26\	27	**28**			
1	31					End of 1st trimester – 10/28		
November **2**		1	/2\	3	4			
1	7	8	/9\	/10\	11	Veterans Day Holiday – 11/11	16	16
2	/14\	/15\	/16\	/17\	/18\	11/10 -11/18 Min. Days/ Conf.		
	21	22	23	24	25	Thanksgiving Break – 11/21-11/25		
1	28	29	/30\			11/28 (K) Extended Day Begins		
December				1	2			
2	5	6	/7\	8	9		12	12
1	12	13	/14\	15	/16\	Minimum Day: 12/16		
	19	20	21	22	23			
	26	27	28	29	30	Winter Recess: 12/19 – 1/2		
January **2**	2	3	/4\	5	6	School Resumes: 1/3		
1	9	10	/11\	12	13		20	20
2	16	17	/18\	19	20	MLK Holiday – 1/16		
1	23	24	/25\	26	27			
2	30	31						
February			/1\	2	3	Lincoln's Holiday Observed – 2/13		
1	6	7	/8\	9	11	End of Second Trimester, 2/16	17	18
2	13	14	/15\	**16**	17	Teacher Workday/No Classified: 2/17		
1	20	21	/22\	23	24	Presidents' Holiday – 2/20		
2	27	28						
March			/1\	/2\	3			
1	6	7	/8\	9	10	Min. Days / Conferences: 3/2	18	18
2	13	14	/15\	16	/17\	Min Day: 3/17		
	20	21	22	23	24	Spring Break: March 20-24		
1	27	28	/29\	30	31			
April								
2	3	4	/5\	6	7		20	20
1	10	11	/12\	13	14			
2	17	18	/19\	20	21			
1	24	25	/26\	27	28			
May **2**	1	2	/3\	4	5			
1	8	9	/10\	11	12		22	22
2	15	16	/17\	/18\	19	Open House: 5/18, Min Day 1:30		
1	22	23	/24\	25	26	Memorial Day Holiday 5/29		
2	29	/ 30\	/31\			Min Days 5/30, 5/31		
June				/1\	/2\	Sixth Grade Promotion 6/1	2	2
	5	6	7	8	9	Min Days 6/1, 6/2		
	12	13	14	15	16	Last Day of School, 6/2		
	19	20	21	22	23	*Emergency Make-up Days, 6/5, 6/6		
	26	27	28	29	30			
						TOTALS	**180**	**183**

First Day of School
August 17, 2022

Teacher Work Days
August 15 & 16
February 17

HOLIDAYS
9/5 Labor Day
11/11 Veterans Day
Thanksgiving Break
11/21-11/25
Winter Break
12/19 -1/02
1/16 MLK Jr. Day
2/13 Lincoln's Birthday
2/20 Presidents' Day
5/29 Memorial Day

Trimesters
Aug 17-Oct 28
Oct 31-Feb 16
Feb 21-June 2

SCHOOL TIMES
M,T,Th,F
Primary 8:25am-2:30pm
Intermediate 8:25-3:05pm
TK/Kindergarten
8:25-11:50am
Beginning November 30
(TK) 8:25 a.m.-12:00
(K) 8:25am-1:30pm:
Minimum Day Dismissal
(K) 1:15 p.m.

ALL Wednesdays
Grades 1-6
8:25am-1:30pm
Kindergarten
8:25a.m. -1:15 p.m.
TK: 8:25a.m.- 12:00 p.m

MINIMUM DAYS
1:30pm Dismissal
1:15 p.m. Kindergarten

Spring Break
March 20-24

Last Day of School:
June 2

Negotiated this date: April 20, 2022 Board Approved this date: May 5, 2022

**Emergency Days: Two days built in at the end of the school year for emergency closings. If the emergency days are not used, they will be taken off the end of the school year. Please plan accordingly.*