#### Kenwood School Newsletter April 9, 2025

#### **Upcoming Events**

4/10	rearbook Ordering Deadline
4/10	Talent Show: 10:30 and 6:00 p.m.
4/11	Coffee with the Principal, School Library, 8:30 a.m.
4/13	Dine and Donate at Pillowfight Coffee, 7:30am-2pm
4/14-4/25	Student Council Blessing Bags Service Project
4/18	Early Dismissal at 1:30 p.m., TK/K at 1:15 p.m.
4/21	Local Holiday: No School
4/25	KSA Spring Fling
<i>5/15</i>	Open House
	Early Dismissal at 1:30 p.m., TK/K at 1:15 p.m.
	Lego Robotics School Competition
5/17	KEF School Auction
5/26	Memorial Day: No School
5/27-5/30	Early Dismissal at 1:30 p.m., TK/K at 1:15 p.m.
5/30	Last Day of School



#### **Cougar Club Notes:**

- 1. March overages and drop-in bills were sent out. Payments can be made online through the Procare app or by a check made out to "Kenwood School."
- **2.** Do you need to DROP-IN? Be sure to contact Mr. Joe or the main office for approval before you send your child. A **daily** drop-in fee plus time used will be billed at the beginning of the following month. Look for those bills to settle up your balance.
- 3. If you can believe it, the LAST Cougar Club contract of the year is due Friday, April 18th! Please get the contracts in ASAP. Late contracts do incur a daily drop in fee. Attached is the contract. You can also get contracts in Cougar Club and in the front office.

Thank you, Cougar Club It's time to order your child's Kenwood School yearbook for the 2024-2025 school year! Kenwood School Yearbooks are only available for purchase online for the next 2 weeks!

Don't miss the ordering deadline of April 10th! Cost \$27 + tax.



All orders are done online this year at:

https://store.shopyearbook.com/kenwood



If you miss the deadline, you will need to order your copy during the summer, pay for your own shipping and miss out on collecting friends' autographs. Orders are due by April 10, 2025! Don't miss out on the opportunity for your child to forever keep memories of all the fun we've shared this year!



## Support Kenwood School

Sunday, April 13

# Dine & Donate



8910 Sonoma Highway, Suite 12B, Kenwood, CA 95452

Open 7:30 am to 2pm

A percent of all orders will be donated to the Kenwood School Association (KSA)



Visit pillowfight.coffee or kenwoodschoolassociation.com for more information





#### **Kenwood Firefighters Association**

#### Annual Easter Egg Hunt 2025

Saturday April 19, 2025

Kenwood Plaza Park

Starting time 9am sharp

Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Bring your own basket-Please do not bring any eggs

**Prizes** 

No charge



#### KENWOOD COUGAR CLUB T-Kindergarten - 6th Grade May 2025 – CONTRACT

Contracts for childcare are <u>DUE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY</u>, <u>April 18th</u> to avoid being charged THE DROP – IN RATE for the month!

Please mark the $m{D}$	AYS and TIMES ye	our child will be attend	ing in the calendar bo	oxes below.
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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	Last contract of the S	chool Year!		
5	6	7 Wed. 1:30 pm dismissal	8	9
12	13	14 Wed. 1:30 pm dismissal	15 1:30 pm dismissal	16
			OPEN HOUSE	
19	20	21 Wed. 1:30 pm dismissal	22	23
Memorial Day	27 1:30 pm dismissal	28 Wed. 1:30 pm dismissal	29 1:30 pm dismissal	30 1:30 pm dismissal
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Late pick up fees will be charged. Payments for this month will be billed at the end of the month and due 10 days

after bill is sent. If you have any questions, please call Jennifer Stenerson, at 833-6551.



KSA Invites You to Our

# Spring Festival



Join us for a fun evening of music, games, dinner, and dessert.
KSA will provide dinner and dessert for school families at the
event, no purchase necessary.



Kenwood School Playground Fun Photo Booth! Inflatable Games!

Bring a picnic blanket and your water bottles!!





APRIL 14TH -APRIL 25TH HELP KENWOOD SCHOOL
MAKE BLESSING BAGS FOR
THE UNHOUSED COMMUNITY IN
SONOMA COUNTY

#### BRING IN AN ITEM ACCORDING TO YOUR GRADE:

TK/K: TRAVEL-SIZED TOOTHBRUSH & TOOTHPASTE

1ST : GENDER-NEUTRAL SOCKS

2ND: TOILET PAPER

3RD: WET WIPES

4TH: HAND SANITIZER

5TH: DRY SHAMPOO

**6TH UNSCENTED DEODORANT** 

DONATION BOXES WILL BE IN THE HALLWAY

26th Annual Gala Benefiting Kenwood Elementary School Programs



TICKETS: \$150 TABLES: \$1,500 (SALES END MAY IST) (10 GUESTS TO TABLE)

FOR TICKETS, DONATIONS, OR MORE INFO: WWW.KENWOODEDUCATIONFOUNDATION.ORG

#### Kenwood Colucation Foundation Presents





# 2025 Honoree Jill Dawson



### Heart Of The Community

Jill Dawson has a heart as big as the community she has helped shape, which is why we are so proud to recognize her as the 2025 Big Heart Honoree. This award, presented by the Kenwood Education Foundation, honors a Kenwood community member whose kindness and generosity leave a lasting impact. It recognizes those who go above and beyond to support local students through their time, resources, and dedication.

While studying Community Health Education in college, she volunteered in a Head Start program, where a teacher saw something special in her and encouraged her to pursue early childhood education. That moment of recognition changed everything. Jill shifted her focus, earned a degree in Early Childhood Education, and never looked back. Since then, she's worked with over a thousand kids - teaching environmental education, art, and music - before spending the last 30 years as a preschool teacher and the last 10 years at Kenwood's Rainbow Garden. An immeasurable and profound impact, to be sure.

Jill has enriched the lives of so many children, guiding them through their earliest years with patience, creativity, and a deep sense of care. Her philosophy has always been clear: learning should be play-based and child-led, not just preparation for school. Whether shaping lessons around her students' interests, welcoming guest musicians, or leading nature studies, she has always fostered curiosity and wonder in her students. Her classroom traditions, like the end-of-day goodbye song where students and families reflect on their experiences, have created a sense of belonging that lasts well past preschool.

Beyond the walls of her classroom, Jill's impact has rippled throughout the Kenwood community. Rainbow Garden became more than just a preschool, it became a gathering place that forged lifelong friendships among families. Many of the parents who first met through drop-offs and events went on to become active leaders in the school and greater community. Jill's legacy is not just in the children she has taught, but in the strong, connected community she has helped build. Jill has also dedicated her time volunteering in Kenwood events, and can been seen year over year volunteering in her orange vest at the Glen Ellen Fair. We are thrilled to celebrate her incredible contributions and honor her with this well-deserved award.

Jill, thank you for everything. Our community is better because of you.