Kenwood School Newsletter

Principally Speaking February 25, 2026

Dear Kenwood Families,

As we end our 2nd trimester of the year, we begin to focus on ending the year strong. Your children have been working hard all year to improve their reading skills and at the same time are experiencing rewards associated with their reading progress through the Accelerated Reader program. Each trimester brings a close to student goals. The classroom teachers and Mrs. Holden are working hard to compile these AR quiz scores, student goals, and to review each student's success. The growth we have seen in our students is remarkable. Please encourage your students to continue to read at home. The academic benefits are numerous, and the entertainment value can be higher than many other options. To piggyback onto this program, we are also starting our annual Read-a-Thon the week of March 2! Our Kenwood Cougars are amazing readers. Keep up the great work.

New Student Enrollment Procedures for the 2026-27 School Year

Enrollment timeline: December 1 – the last Friday in February (all forms must be received by the Kenwood School office).

Transitional Kindergarten - turns 4 years old on or before September 1, 2026.

Kindergarten - turns 5 years old on or before September 1, 2026.

1) Please contact the Kenwood School Office at (707)833-2500 for an enrollment form, or email Suzanne at sborgert@kenwoodschool.org.

2) For out of district residents, apply for an interdistrict transfer from your school district of residence to Kenwood School District.

* All applications must be received by February 27th. If necessary, a lottery will be held for out of district applicants, at our March Board of Trustees Meeting. You will be notified of your child's enrollment status after the March Board of Trustees Meeting.

Upcoming Events

2/27 TK Registration Forms Due for the 2026-2027 School Year

3/2-3/6 KEF Read-A-Thon

3/4-3/5 Minimum Days for Conferences

3/5 Yearbook Illustration Covers Due

3/5 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting at 4:00 pm, School Library

3/13 Grandparents & Special Friends' Day - 11:15 am -12:00 pm

3/13 Minimum Day

3/16-3/20 Spring Break

KEF Save the Date May 2nd: Lights, Camera, Auction!

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Kenwood School will host "Grandparents' and Special Friends' Day" on the afternoon of Friday, March 13, 2026, from 11:15 to 12:00. Grandparents and special friends are invited to come and share in a special time at school with the children. Both generations seem to enjoy and benefit from this wonderful experience, and our school community is expanded.

Guests will arrive at 11:15am in front of the school with Mr. Myers. The grandparents and special friends will join the children in their classrooms, meet the teachers and share in a classroom activity. Grandparents' and Special Friends' Day will conclude at 12:00 pm.

Students without grandparents able to attend may wish to invite an aunt or uncle, a neighbor or other "special someone" as their special friend for the afternoon.

Thank you very much for your support.

"GRANDPARENTS' AND SPECIAL FRIENDS' DAY"

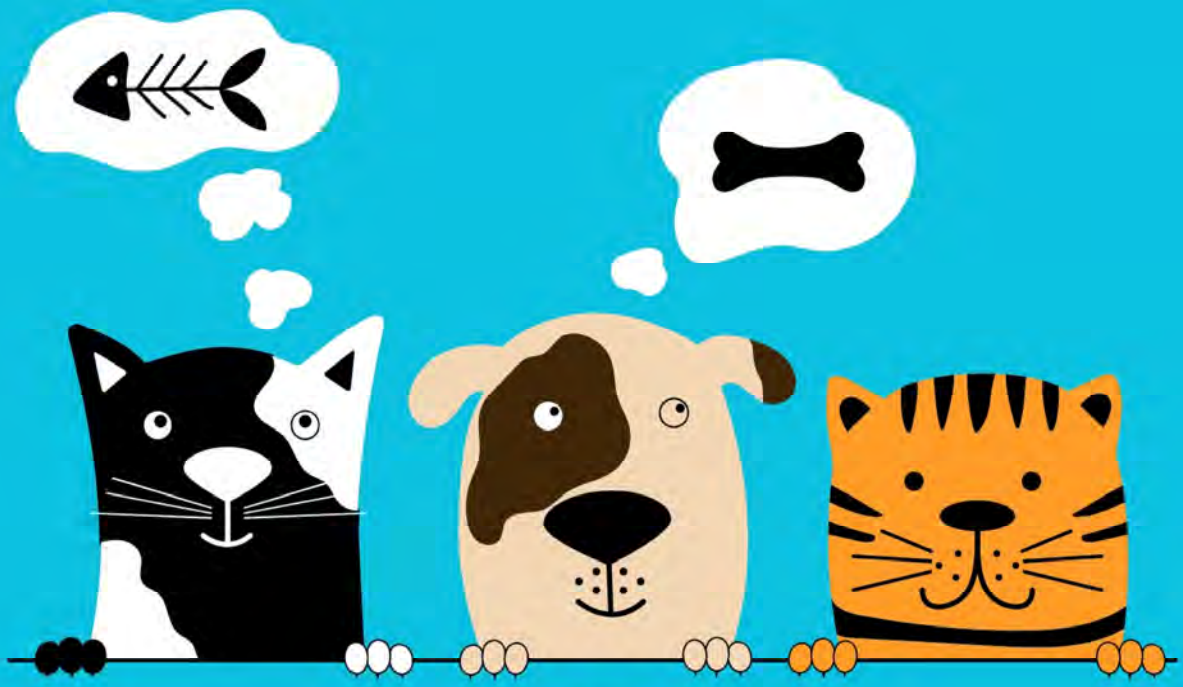
Childs Name: _____ Grade: ____ Teacher: _____

My child will participate in "Grandparents' and Special Friends' Day" as follows:

☐ ____My child will invite a grandparent/grandparents How many? _____

OR

☐ ____My child will invite a special friend



Kenwood Elementary ♥'s Pets!

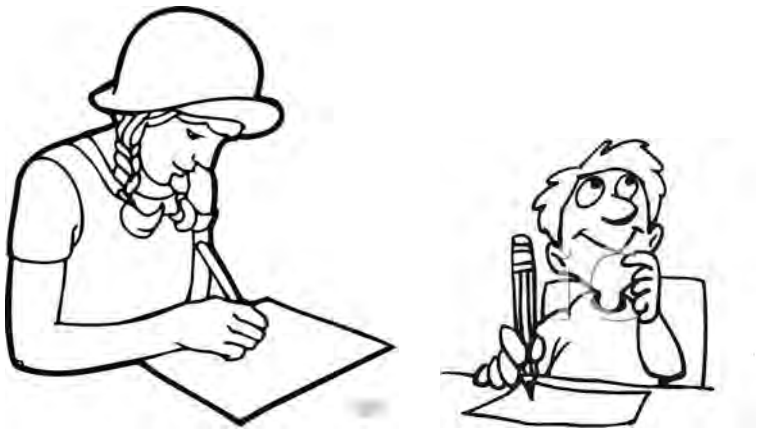
Please join the Kenwood Student Council in our Pet Supplies Donation Drive. Items will be given to local animal shelters!

How can you help?

2/17-2/27

We are collecting the following new and gently used items:

treats, food bowls, leashes, collars, dog beds, bully sticks or toys. Cat items are welcome as well! Donation boxes will be out in the hallway. Drive will run from 2/17-2/27. Thank you for your support- every tail deserves a happy ending!



Yearbook Illustration Contest

Do you like to draw? How would you like to have one of your **hand drawn** pictures included in this year's Kenwood School yearbook? We are having a contest to pick some student drawings for this year's book. If you'd like to enter our contest, simply draw a picture that celebrates our school. For example, kids playing at school, our Kenwood mascot (the cougar), a drawing of our school or any idea you have. Please draw an original picture on 8.5 x 11 inch, plain, white paper, holding your paper vertically (the tall way). Binder paper drawings will **not** be accepted! Please use markers or crayons so that your picture will show clearly when printed in the yearbook, if it is selected. Only include drawings, not words on your picture. Be sure that your name and grade are written on the back in pencil. Please turn your drawings (one per person) into the office by Thursday, March 5th.

Thank you for participating,
Mrs. Sedgwick and Mrs. S.

Read-A-Thon

Let's Get Reading Kenwood!

Kenwood's Read-A-Thon! Starts Next Week!

Monday March 2nd to Friday March 6th

Let's Raise! Let's Log!

Let's Read!

Prizes Given For

Top Donations | Top readers | Every Reader

We're so excited for the start of Kenwood School's Annual

Read-A-Thon

Our goal is for every child to participate in this school-wide event, and to raise $10,000 to fund our amazing programs

How it works: Logs go home today (extra logs are in the office), pledging is open till the end of Read-A-Thon week so Pledge-Pledge-Pledge. Then Read your heart out! Log those minutes

From Monday, **March 2 through Friday, March 6**, students will track all the minutes they read. This includes assigned class reading and any extra reading like books, magazines, comics, reading aloud, or being read to. Be sure to log every minute!

Keep those pledges coming. **Pledging remains open all through Read A Thon week**, giving everyone plenty of time to support our readers and cheer them on. Donations can be made as a flat amount or per minute read, and every penny counts. Your **personal pledge page** is easy to share with family and friends near or far, and all funds raised support Kenwood's Library and enrichment programs.

Track all minutes read from March 2 through March 6 on the **reading log attached** and **turn it in to your teacher on Monday, March 9**. All reading counts! Being read to, reading at home and at school, magazines, comics, and buddy reading!

Prizes

Top Donations

The class with the highest average $ raised (per student) will get an amazing class party!

Top readers

In the class with the highest average minutes read per student, gets a party of their choice!

Every Reader

All participating students will earn a small surprise for reading!

Every log turned in gets entered to win up to three raffle prizes!

KENWOOD EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Any donation amount makes a difference
Thank You in advance for your amazing participation
Any questions: kvandyne@kenwoodeducationfoundation.org

Reading Log From
March 2nd to March 6th

Reading Log

Return To Teacher
By Monday March 9th

Read-A-Thon

Name: _____ Class: _____

Date	Book Title	# Of Minutes Read	Adult Initials

LIGHTS CAMERA AUCTION

Run FOR THE Roses

A Gala Evening In Support Of Kenwood School

SATURDAY MAY 2ND

5PM TO 10PM HANNA CENTER

EARLY BIRD TICKET SALES

JAN 21 - MARCH 1ST

ENJOY DISCOUNTS ON ALL TICKETS & TABLES

SCAN FOR TICKETS & MORE
TINYURL.COM/KEF2026

YOUR TICKET INCLUDES

- LIVE & SILENT AUCTION
- DINNER
- OPEN BAR
- DANCING
- RAFFLE

& SO MUCH MORE!

WHY IT MATTERS

EVERY TICKET SUPPORTS KENWOOD SCHOOL PROGRAMS, INCLUDING ART, MUSIC, LIBRARY, PE, STEAM, OUTDOOR ED, GARDEN, AND MORE!

LUNCH

Adult Meal: $6/Lunch

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ALL STUDENT MEALS ARE FREE FOR THE '24-'25 SCHOOL YEAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Deli Sandwich w/ Pretzels	3 Chicken Pazole w/ Chips	4 Hot Ham & Cheese on a Bun	5 Walking Taco w/ Spanish Rice	6 Pizza Day!
9 Hot Dog w/ Tater Triangles	10 Pasta Marinara w/ or w/o Meatballs	11 Baked Chicken Drumstick w/ Mashed Potatoes & Roll	12 Hamburger/Cheeseburger	13 Pizza Day!
16 No School Spring Break	17 No School Spring Break	18 No School Spring Break	19 No School Spring Break	20 No School Spring Break
23 Chicken Burger	24 Lemon Garlic Butter Veggie Pasta w/ Dinner Roll (V)	25 Carne Asada Soft Taco w/ Spanish Rice	26 Corn Dog	27 Pizza Day!
30 Rib-b-que Sandwich	31 Homemade Turkey or Veggie Chili w/ Cornbread			

Check out our online menu at schools.mealviewer.com
Vegetarian & Dairy-free option offered daily
Each student is entitled to one lunch each day
Our menus are subject to change
To learn more about our program you can visit our Food Service Department page at rvusd.org/page/food-services

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.
We offer a choice of 1% milk or fat free chocolate milk along with a variety of fruit & vegetables with each meal.
If you have any questions, you can contact The Food Service Department at (707)542-7375 Ex: 24010

We are accepting online applications. Please visit www.myschoolapps.com

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