



# Kenmore Elementary Paw Prints

Kenmore Families,

I am happy to celebrate the end of the school year with you. Every year, we grow as a staff, along with our students, and June presents a wonderful opportunity to see our collective efforts come to fruition when our kids shine bright!

Each year, I encourage families to keep the learning going over the summer. We know now that, if not, students can lose up to 2.5 months of learning progress. In all content areas there are many ways you to keep your kids thinking about mathematical concepts, engaging in science experiments, building projects, journal writing in the care or storytelling by the campfire, etc. I encourage you all to use the world around you as your classroom and create new and different learning opportunities for your kids over the summer.

Maya Angelou has said that **“In diversity there is beauty and there is strength.”** Our community is graced with this strength. Every day, your child interacts with many students and staff who are different from how they may see themselves.

So, along with all of the wonderful things you will do this summer, reading with your child still continues to be the very best thing you can do to support your child’s academic growth and maintenance of acquired learning. I want to encourage all families to expose their children to a range of diverse texts—not just by race, religion, ability, etc., but also fiction, nonfiction, and poetry, books, magazines, directions, recipes, signs, online texts, etc. Doing so creates opportunities for kids to see themselves—mirrors—and to see others—windows—through the rich experiences that reading provides. Author, Grace Lin, states, “What your child reads sets the path for their own self-worth as well as how they see others your child reads sets the path for their own self-worth as well as how they see others.” She believes, “Books erase bias, they make the uncommon every day, and the mundane exotic. A book makes all cultures universal.” The books you have on your shelves, what you read with them and the conversations you have are invaluable.

## June 2019 Calendar of Events

- June 3-7 ASB Clothes for Kids Clothing Drive
- June 3-5 PTA Hopelink Coin Drive
- June 3 STEM Club (Grades 4/5) room 36, 3:30-4:30pm
- June 3 Kindergarten Info Night, library, 5:30-6:30pm
- June 4 STEM Club (Grades 2/3) room 36, 3:30-4:30pm
- June 4 Home-School Alliance: Culture Series, library, 6:00-7:30pm
- June 5 Early Release Day, 1:55pm**
- June 6 Ms. Burrows’ Class Pen Pal Picnic Field Trip
- June 6 Flag Football (Grades 4/5), outside gym, 3:30-5:00pm
- June 6 STEM Club (Grades 2/3) room 36, 3:30-4:30pm
- June 7 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Field Trip to The Farm at Swan’s Trail
- June 7 STEM Club (Grades 4/5) room 36, 3:30-4:30pm
- June 10 5<sup>th</sup> Grade HIV/AIDS Presentation
- June 10 STEM Club (Grades 4/5) room 36, 3:30-4:30pm
- June 12 ASB Dried Marker Drive
- June 12 STEM Club (Grades 2/3) room 36, 3:30-4:30pm
- June 13 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Oregon Trails
- June 13 Popcorn Thursday
- June 13 STEM Club (Grades 2/3) room 36, 3:30-4:30pm
- June 13 Flag Football (Grades 4/5), outside gym, 3:30-5:00pm
- June 14 KCLS Librarian Visit
- June 14 The Odyssey Performance Assembly, 2:30pm
- June 14 STEM Club (Grade 4/5) room 36, 3:30-4:30pm
- June 17 -21 ASB Spirit Week
- June 17 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Party, Aqua Club
- June 17 School Wide Scavenger Hunt (Grades K-4)
- June 17 STEM Club (Grades 4/5) room 36, 3:30-4:30pm
- June 18 Fun Run
- June 18 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Biome Play, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade classrooms, 6:00-6:45pm
- June 19 All School Picnic/Field Day
- June 19 Animal Shelter Donation Drive
- June 19 All School Walk & Talk
- June 20 Variety Show Assembly, gym, 2:00-3:15pm
- June 20 Flag Football (Grades 4/5) outside gym, 3:30-5:00pm
- June 21 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition Assembly, gym 9:30-11:30am
- June 21 Safety Patrol Field Trip to Bowlero
- June 24 Last Day of School**

**Have a great summer break!!!**

This year, as part of our Strategic Plan focus, we launched some social comprehension work with our kids. Social Comprehension is The development of skills and habits that help us comprehend social issues and participate in relevant, transparent conversations. It is how we make meaning from and mediate our relationship with the world.” (S. Ahmed, p. XXV; 2018). Teachers embraced identity work with kids to develop more self-awareness and to celebrate their unique individuality. It also afforded many opportunities to learn about, understand and embrace others’ differences. Students recognize that we are ALL important! Your conversations with your kids will also support students continued engagement here.

If you are interested, the following video resources provide additional rationale for the importance of the work we are doing and

can continue to do with students at school and at home to support our vision for our kids in the future:

- The Danger of a Single Story, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D9Ihs241zeg>
- Mirrors, Windows and Sliding Doors, Rudine Sims Bishop: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_AAu58SNSyc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_AAu58SNSyc)
- The Windows and Mirrors on Your Child’s Bookshelf, Grace Lin: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_wQ8wiV3FVo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_wQ8wiV3FVo)

“Don’t ever underestimate the importance you can have because history has shown us that courage can be contagious and hope can take on a life of its own.” Michelle Obama

I hope you have an amazing summer!

Mrs. Riley ☺

thank  
you!

Thank you so much to our fabulous PTA for all of the recognition for our staff during Staff Appreciation Week in May. We have been so spoiled with kind words, thoughtful gifts, yummy treats and fabulous meals and snacks. We all feel so lucky to have such a supportive PTA taking such good care of us! Thank you for a wonderful year!

## Closing the 2018-19 School Year

- The last day of school is Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Report cards will be mailed home by Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>.
- The school office will be closed the month of July.
- The school office will reopen on Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>





## Register for the 2019-2020 School Year

We are currently taking registrations for the 2019-2020 school year for grades K through 5. If you know families in the Kenmore Elementary service area needing to enroll, please have them call our office at 425-408-4800 for information.

Children must be 5 years old by August 31, 2019 to register for kindergarten.

### Are you Moving?

An accurate count of students for each grade is very important. If you are moving to another school or district next year, please let our school office know as soon as possible so that we can plan for classroom sizes and staffing. Please contact the school office at 425-408-4800.



## All Library Books Due June 14<sup>th</sup>!



As we head into June, please take some time to take a look around your home for any and all books from the Kenmore Elementary Library. Think of it as a scavenger hunt! Please help your child locate and return all books to the library no later than Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. If your child has a lost book, please contact our librarian, Mr. Brush, at [cbrush@nsd.org](mailto:cbrush@nsd.org) or 425.408.4812.

Thank you for your help!



**Kindergarten registration for the 2019-2020 school year is now open!**

**Students entering kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before August 31.**

**Registration paperwork is available at the Kenmore Elementary office.**

**Please bring the following information when turning in registration paperwork:**

- \* Proof of residency (rental agreement, utility bill, mortgage bill, etc.)
- \* Proof of birth (birth certificate or passport)
- \* Child's immunization records
- \* Emergency contact information

## Kenmore Elementary Family Climate Survey 2018-2019

Dear Families,

In an effort to best meet the needs of students and families, we would like your feedback to inform decisions and planning for the next school year.

*Please complete the attached optional survey by Friday, June 14th. The survey is also online and the link is below.*

\*Spanish Survey- <https://s.surveymonkey.com/Ndd1rWg1t>

\*English Survey- <https://s.surveymonkey.com/q1OR0JOWz>

Sincerely,

Mrs. Riley  
Principal

Mrs. Myers  
Title I Teacher

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FUN RUN!!**



We need volunteers to help with our Fun Run on Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>!  
For more information please contact Laura Cooley at [lcooley@gmail.com](mailto:lcooley@gmail.com).

# District News

## Ready Start Preschool

Our new Ready Start program is a blended multi-age, inclusive model, serving students, ages 3-5. We are currently enrolling at both locations (Sorenson and Cottage Lake Elementary) for the 19/20 school year. Classrooms are taught and supported by a general education teacher, a special education teacher, and a para professional. Inclusive classrooms create a dynamic learning environment for all students. The average class size is 16 students, with class make-up of 8 students with IEP's, 5 students who pay tuition, and 3 students who are income eligible. Classrooms utilize The Creative Curriculum & Teaching Strategies GOLD Assessment Tool. The staff is committed to fostering student learning and cultivating friendships while creating a sense of community for our students. Utilizing developmentally appropriate teaching strategies to support a whole child approach to learning, within an inclusive environment, fosters high levels of student learning and social and emotional growth for all students.

For enrollment paperwork please visit our Northshore School District website @ <https://www1.nsd.org/schools/programs-services/early-childhood/ready-start-tuition-program> or contact Sorenson (425) 408 5570 for enrollment paperwork.

Return all forms including deposit to:  
**Sorenson Early Childhood Center**  
19705 88th Ave NE Bothell, WA 98011

### Locations and Sessions:

- **Sorenson Early Childhood Center**
  - 8:10am-10:40am\*
  - 11:55am-2:25pm\*
- **Cottage Lake Elementary**
  - 9:20am-11:50am\*
  - 1:20pm-3:50pm\*

\*All times reflect the 2018-19 school year.

### Requirements:

- Children must be 4, by December 31st
- Toilet Trained
- Parent Transportation
- Birth Certificate
- Certificate of Immunization
- No Kindergarten Eligible Students

### Tuition Cost:

\$300 per month

Northshore School District prohibits discrimination on the basis of age, sex, marital status, genetic information, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, honorably discharged veteran or military status, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability, unless based upon a bona fide occupational qualification, in all its employment procedures, training, programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employee has been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged unlawful discrimination: Jeff Sherwood, Human Resources Director, 3330 Monte Villa Parkway, Bothell, WA 98021, (425) 408-7606.