

# Kenmore Elementary Paw Prints

APRIL 2021

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy April KE Families:

This newsletter will be dedicated to our shifts to Hybrid learning. So here we are, at the cusp of reopening after a full year remotely. Below, I've listed reminders to get us started next week.

School Day:

A=Mon/Tue or B=Thu/Fri: 9:05am-3:05pm

Wed: Asynchronous: 9am-2pm

- Free breakfast & lunch will be available through the end of 2020-2021 school year. Students can choose to bring meals from home. If you do not want your child to eat breakfast at school, please inform their teacher.
- Campus is closed to visitors/families - please ring the doorbell for assistance
- Masks are required
- Arrival: Car drop off -Upper Parking Lot, please remain in your car. See below for bus information.
- Students [Health Check](#) will be reviewed when they arrive. Please fill out a [Health Check](#) prior to students arrival, once on campus, your student will have their temperature taken. Health Checks will be required everyday.
- Health Checks CANNOT be completed the night before
- To Access ParentVue:

[Activate your ParentVUE account \[English\]](#)

[Activate your ParentVUE account \[Spanish\]](#)

[Complete the Student Health Check in ParentVUE \[English\]](#)

[Complete the Student Health Check in ParentVUE \[Spanish\]](#)

- After arrival students will proceed to their classrooms for breakfast
- Bathrooms are closed to public access
- Dismissal: Car pick-up-Upper Parking Lot: Please display your student/s name on a sheet of paper on your car dashboard, this will help us call them ahead of time and help with traffic flow
- Playground equipment will be accessible during recess.

- Playground equipment is available after school hours only for personal use. It will not be sanitized by NSD
- Handwashing will be encouraged frequently
- Frequent touch points will be sanitized often
- If a student has a temperature of 100.4 or higher they will need to stay home or they will be sent home

#### Transportation

- Families sending a Kindergartener on the bus -please complete permission to release form: <https://www.nsd.org/our-district/departments/transportation/kindergarten>
- To find out if your student qualifies for bus transportation: <http://versatrans.nsd.org/elinkrp>  
(Also found on NSD website under bus information)
  - Enter the word “public” for username and password
  - Enter your student’s grade, house number, street address & zip code
  - Click “Find School/Transportation Info”

I am looking forward to seeing our KE Cubs and getting to know them in person. As we focus on creating systems to ease into our “new normal” it would be very helpful for our Cubs to hear some of these expectations from you. It will reinforce the practices. Ultimately, we want everyone to be safe and to remain open as a school, together...we got this!

Let’s have an amazing Spring!

Geetha George-Shapiro

## IMPORTANT DATES

Thurs, April 1 - Head Start Preschool Hybrid Begins

Mon, April 5 - K-5 Hybrid Begins

Wed, April 7 - Materials Pick Up for Remote Only Students, Upper Parking Lot 9:30-11:00am  
*\*\*\*Materials Distributed to Ms. Van Dyk’s Class, Ms. Burris’ Class & 5th Grade Remote Only Students\*\*\**

**Monday, April 12- Friday, April 16 - SPRING BREAK - NO SCHOOL!**

Tues, May 18th - Dr. Reid Visits Kenmore: Parent Q & A: 8:25-8:55am (via zoom)  
(rescheduled from March 25th)

## ONLINE ENROLLMENT

#### ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

Enrollment is now open for the 2021-2022 School Year! Enrollment is needed for **incoming kindergarteners** and **new students** of all grades. See the NSD enrollment website to get started! <https://www.nsd.org/schools/get-started/enrollment>



## KENMORE LIBRARY BOOKS

### **\*\*CHANGES\*\***

**HYBRID LEARNERS:** Library books will be delivered to classrooms (returned books will also be picked-up there). More information to come.

**REMOTE LEARNERS ONLY:** Please use this link to request books: [go.nsd.org/kebooks](https://go.nsd.org/kebooks). Books are available for pick-up curbside at Kenmore on Wednesdays from 11am-12pm.

Please contact Chris Brush, KE Library Teacher, with any questions. [cbrush@nsd.org](mailto:cbrush@nsd.org)

## PARENT Q & A WITH DR. REID

Our virtual visit from NSD Superintendent Dr. Reid has been rescheduled to Tuesday, May 18th. To start her day at Kenmore, she will be joining us for an open forum for parents. If you would like to join, please use the zoom meeting information below. We hope to see you there!

Parent Q & A with Dr. Reid  
Tuesday, May 18th @ 8:25-8:55am

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://nsd.zoom.us/j/88562685639?pwd=OE13TkZOSjkvSjk1OVE3WFBIWTVKUT09>

Meeting ID: 885 6268 5639  
Passcode: Kenmore21

## KENMORE ELEMENTARY PTA

### **PTA Fundraiser**

Due to an unusual year, the PTA has decided that we will not hold an annual fundraising auction this year. Instead we are implementing a **no fuss fundraiser!** Simply click [here](#) to submit your donation online or send your donation in by mail

### **We appreciate your support!**

- **\$10** ... Because I enjoyed being able to wear PJ's and sip wine during PTA meetings this year.
- **\$25** ... Because I was impressed that the PTA volunteers were at all four material pick-ups - even in the pouring rain! (And I appreciated the supplies that they provided my kids with!)
- **\$50** ... Because I'm looking forward to seeing the pure joy on my kids' faces when they get to attend their favorite PTA events next year.
- **\$\_\_\_** ... Because I love all the ways that the PTA supports our school and our community!

### **What does your money go to?**

This year, your money went to supplying the students with **P.E. equipment** and **art supplies**, purchasing **emergency supplies** for the school, social services programs such as **Thanksgiving Baskets** and **Holiday Wishes**, **Parent Education** events, **materials and online programs** for teaching and online events for the kids, such as **Screen-Free week**, **Brown Bag** month and the upcoming **STEAM Fair** and **Family Culture Fair**.

In a normal year, our PTA has fun putting on events such as **After School Activities**, **Bingo Night**, **Family Dance**, **Fun Run** and **STEAM Fair**. Most PTA dollars go right into the school day, funding **Art Docents**, **Popcorn Thursday**, **Dance Week** and **reimbursing teachers for supplies**. We also provide **support services for families** in our community.

### **Cash and checks should be mailed to:**

6830 NE Bothell Way Ste C  
PMB 473  
Kenmore, WA 98028

### **STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) Fair**

The **STEAM Fair** is coming up! From **April 19-23**, post a video on [Flipgrid](#) to share your STEAM Fair project. Check <https://kenmorepta.org/programs-activities/science-fair/> for more information and some ideas to jump start your creativity!

All students were given tri-fold presentation boards at the March materials pick-up that can be used to display your project. If you were unable to get a board and would like one, please contact Patti Foster at [president@kenmorepta.org](mailto:president@kenmorepta.org).

### **Yearbook**

#### **Work has begun on the 2020/21 Yearbook!**

This year, we will need the help of every parent and guardian! We are looking for pictures of your students learning virtually. Zoom lessons, virtual PE class, practicing the recorder, cozying up with a good book ... we're looking for it all!

**If your child did not attend school Picture Day, you can also upload a photo of them to be used in the yearbook.** Please make sure they are dressed according to Kenmore Elementary's dress code.

**Pictures can be uploaded [here](#).** It's easy to do and the pictures will be put right into the software used to create the yearbook! You can also email your pictures to Jessie Lewis.



Please make sure to note your student's grade.

Purchase information will be coming soon. If you have any questions or would like to help with the yearbook, please contact Jessie Lewis.

## DISTRICT NEWS

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### EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Our Early Childhood Education Programs in Northshore School District are currently recruiting for the Head Start, ECEAP and Ready Start Preschool Programs.

NSD Families that have children ages 3-4 years old can contact Stephanie Gonwa at 425-408-4829, or Emily Birchman at 425-408-4862 to receive program information and help with applications.

### HIGHLY CAPABLE TESTING

The Accelerated Models and Programs Department is still working on the 2020-2021 testing plan for students in grade K-4 with highly capable needs. The Department will update families when there is an assessment schedule.

### FREE Income-Eligible Early Learning programs at NSD Now accepting applications for the 2021-22 school year!

The Northshore School District is proud to offer multiple early learning programs that are free of charge for income-eligible families. The three Early Childhood Education Programs include Head Start, ECEAP (Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program) and Ready Start. Eligibility for our programs is determined by child's age and family income. Children must turn 3 years of age by August 31st, 2021 to be considered for the 2021-22 school year. Please contact one of our Family Support Specialists with any questions and to start the application process.

For more information about our programs and to download a copy of our application (in English and Spanish) please follow this link:


<https://www.nsd.org/schools/programs-services/early-childhood/income-eligible-free-programs>

### Sheriece Simon (English)

ECEAP Family Support Specialist

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A background image of pink magnolia flowers in bloom, with green leaves and dark branches visible. The flowers are in various stages of opening, showing soft pink petals with some white variegation.

**Kendra Rodriguez (Spanish/English)**

ECEAP Family Support Specialist

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