

May 2019



Hello Knowlton families,

I can't believe that it's the second week of May! It has been a busy month so far here at Knowlton! This week the fabulous PTA rolled out the red carpet, Hollywood style, to honor our teachers and staff. Each day brought something new and exciting for all to enjoy. Thank you PTA for all of your time, energy and creativity in making this week fantastic for all. Thank you to all the parents who completed the stars and assisted with lunch duties.

On Wednesday our Kindergarten, along with Mrs. Bickhardt, Mrs. Garrison and Mrs. Reber released 40 rainbow trout in the Paulinskill River at Footbridge Park. Trout in the Classroom programs have been in place all across the country for more than 20 years thanks to collaborations among many. The program is a great opportunity to incorporate environmental education in the classroom at all ages. Yellow Day was also this week. Yellow Day was started in 2017 as a day to spread kindness and brighten the lives of those around you. It was started in memory of a beloved kindergarten teacher who was the type of person who made others feel better about themselves just by being who she was.

Our NJSLs testing is wrapping up soon and all make-up testing will be completed shortly thereafter. Next week is our Book Fair week and the library looks fantastic with all of the dinosaur décor. Be sure to join us at the school on Tuesday, May 14 for "Knowlton Knight Out" which includes book fair shopping, our first Green Fair, the Art Show, Sixth grade Plastic Pollution Awareness Team and STEM projects. While at the Green Fair, be sure to visit our planting area, the tee shirt bag making station (bring your own tee if you can) and our community partners who are joining us. We are excited to have our Township Committee, Warren County Recycling, Coalition for Healthy and Safe Communities and more represented.

As a reminder, school will be closed on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> in observance of Memorial Day. Our Spring concert will be held at KTES on Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. Performing will be grades 1, 2 and 4 along with Beginner and Advanced Band. Hope to see you there.

As always, thank you for all you do as parents to help students be On Track at Knowlton Elementary!

Sincerely,

Jeannine DeFalco



