

October 9, 2019



Knowlton News



Special points of interest:

- **NO MIGHTY MILERS** on Friday, October 11th
- **School Closed** on 10/14 for a County wide Staff In-Service Day.
- **Book Fair Family Shopping Event** Wednesday, October 16th 3:30 to 7:00 PM

KTES had our first taste test of the school year. Students tried Bosc pears and they were a hit! Only 12 students did not like them. Ask your child what he or she thought of the pears.

Family Challenge: Buy 3 or 4 different variety of pears and do a family taste test. Which one do members of your family prefer?



Knowlton's Week of Respect Continues until October 11th

"We may all be different fish, but we swim together at Knowlton."

Look inside this newsletter for the special theme days left for this week.



The Arctic Adventure Book Fair is next week! The COIN RACE continues through Friday, October 7th. Check out the Book Fair flyer inside this newsletter!

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS:

This newsletter will no longer be copied and sent home with your child. All families will receive an email notification that the newsletter has been posted on the school website. Please visit www.knowltonschool.com and click on the News tab and then Knowlton News at the bottom. The current issue will be listed. If you prefer to receive a printed copy please contact Donna Ventura at 908-475-5118 x204 or email her at : venturad@knowltonschool.com to request a paper copy. We continue to use the newsletter as our means of communicating school & community news to our KTES families.

Having trouble accessing the Parent Portal?

Experiencing difficulties in getting on the Parent Portal? If you are getting a message regarding "no district" detected, try this...

- Go up to your browser and highlight "no district" to the end, delete it, and then type in knowlton and hit enter. The parent portal login page should now appear.
- Enter the information on the parent portal letter you received. If you have a returning student your user name and password is the same as last year.
- Should you still have trouble, please call the main office and we will try to help you gain access.

School Picture Day - If you forgot to send in your child's school picture order form it is not too late. Just send it in to the school office.

Students that were absent will have their pictures taken on retake day on 11/6.

Regarding Student Lunch Accounts:

Periodically we run a report showing lunch accounts that are in the negative. A letter is then sent home with your child or an automated phone call is made to alert parents that money is owed on the account.

Upon receipt of such, please remit payment via the parent portal or by sending a check or money to school in an envelope with your child's name on it.

Contact Mrs. Ventura at 908-475-5118, ext 204 if you have any questions or concerns.



School Breakfast is available daily (except on delayed opening days) Served Grab & Go from the breakfast cart in the main office between 8:30 - 8:45 a.m . Cereal & Bagel Bags are available every day . Beginning Tuesday, October 8th, Yogurt Parfaits will also be available on Tuesday & Thursdays. Student Breakfast is \$1.50



The Halloween Parade at Knowlton Twp Elementary School will be on Thursday, October 31st at 2 PM.
More info will follow.



Advanced Band Has Begun After School On Thursdays
Pick up is 4:15 pm sharp.




Questions? Contact Mrs. Lestrangle
lestranges@knowltonschool.com

\$1 Smencil Grams for Halloween!

The KTES Advanced Band will have Smencil Grams available for purchase this year, just in time for Halloween! Purchase a Smencil for \$1.00 each and send it, with a personalized message attached, to your child, favorite teacher, staff member, or let your child send it to a friend! Smencil colors and scents will be distributed at random. *Smencil Grams will be delivered to the students on Thursday, October 31st, 2019. They must be ordered by Friday, October 25th.*

Complete the message card below and the band will attach the tag to the Smencil Gram! Please remember the following when ordering your smencil gram:

- ⊗ Include receiving child's first and last name along with the classroom teacher on EACH smencil gram
- ⊗ Attach payment for EACH Smencil Gram (please use exact cash or check to KTES). There are 3 grams on this form. If you would like more, you can find them in the office or on our website.
- ⊗ Send Smencil Gram forms and money in envelope labels "SMENCILS" to Mrs. Lestrangle with your child's name and class.
- ⊗ Please contact Mrs. Lestrangle at lestranges@knowltonschool.com if you have any questions

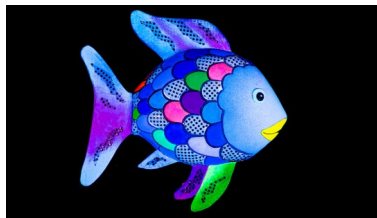
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WEEK OF RESPECT CONTINUES

THROUGH OCTOBER 11TH

For this year's Week of Respect, Miss Lennox and Mrs. Plunkett will be reading Rainbow Fish to all KTES students and a lesson about respect will be conducted. The students will identify words of respect to write on a fish. Students will decorate their fish during art class. The fish will be placed in the corridor outside the library with the saying:

“We may all be different fish, but we swim together at Knowlton.”



KTES theme days are as follows:

THURSDAY, 10/10: HATS OFF TO KINDNESS- Wear your favorite hat

FRIDAY, 10/11: TEAM KINDNESS DAY- Wear your favorite sports uniform



RED RIBBON WEEK IS COMING!

Stay tuned... October 28th - November 1st

Our slogan this year is:

“It's COOL To Be Drug Free!”

Book Fair Volunteers Needed!

Mrs. Reber needs book fair volunteers for Book Fair Week, October 15 through 18th ! Paste the link below into your browser to sign up for a time slot. Please spread the word...

25 time slots still need to be filled!

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/knowltontownshipelmschool>

Come to the Book Fair!



THE BOOK FAIR IS COMING!!!!

We are pleased to announce the book fair theme this fall is *Arctic Adventure!* Listed below you will find all the exciting events that will take place. The week *before* the fair, October 7-11th, we will be holding a coin race to see which classes will be able to choose the books we add to the library from our fair. We will be running the contest Monday through Friday. The grade levels with the most money raised will be awarded extra time to come to the fair to "library shop" with Mrs. Reber.

COIN RACE INFORMATION

Here is how the contest will work:

1. Monday, October 7th is "Penny Day"- Bring in your pennies to put in your grade level's coin jar.
2. Tuesday, October 8th is "Nickel Day"- Bring your dimes in to add to the pennies in the grade level coin jar.
3. Wednesday, Oct. 9th is "Dime Day"- Bring in dimes to add to the pennies and nickels.
4. Thursday, Oct. 10th is "Quarter Day"- Quarters are topping off the jars today!
5. Friday, Oct. 11th is "Any Coin Day"- Today is the last chance to bring in coins for the race!

***An added challenge will be given to grades 4-6. If those students would like to donate paper money, they can put it into a different grade level collection jar. The paper money value will be subtracted from that grade level's coin total. All donations must be in the jars in the library no later than-noon on October 11th! Good luck!



But that is not all! During the fair shopping week, we will also be having *theme days*. See below to plan out what you need to wear!

BOOK FAIR THEME DAYS INFORMATION

Tuesday, October 15th- Toboggan Tuesday- Wear your favorite winter hat and scarf today!

Wednesday, October 16th is White Out Wednesday- Wear all white today!

Thursday, October 17th is Let's Hibernate Day-wear comfy PJS to chill out with a book!

Friday, October 18th is Polar Plunge Friday! Wear goggles and bring a beach towel to read on!



Big News!!!!

Our family shopping time will be on Wednesday, Oct. 16th from 3:30-7pm Come out and shop as a family. You will also have the opportunity to see some sled dogs that afternoon/evening (weather providing).



FAMILY SHOPPING EVENT

Planning Ahead for November Conferences:

Parent - Teacher Conferences take place on November 12th & 13th.

Please note that 11/12 & 11/13 are also Early Dismissal Days.

Sign Up Genius Links for Conferences for Grades 1 through 6 are below.

Tuesday, November 12

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4AA9A82BABF49-parent>

Wednesday, November 13

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f4aa9a82babf49-afternoon1>

All Kindergarten conferences for Mrs. Apgar & Mrs. Bickhardt are being scheduled through the classtag app.

Are you on TRACK?

- T- Take responsibility for your actions
- R- Respect yourself and others
- A- ALWAYS do your best
- C- Cooperate with others
- K- Kind acts towards others



Congratulations to our September Knowlton Knight Award Winners!

Joseph M, Camryn M and Ethan M



Thank you for being KTES Good Citizens and setting great examples for your fellow students!
Are you on TRACK?
Will YOU be our October Knowlton Knight?

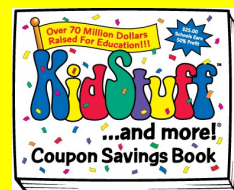
**Please Take Note:
School will be closed on
Monday, October 14th
for a County-wide
Staff In-Service Day.**



Kidstuff Coupon Books

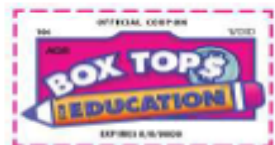
have been distributed! Please support this PTA Fundraiser by purchasing a Kidstuff Coupon book filled with many great coupons! They also make a great holiday gift!

**Books or \$ is due back at school by
Tuesday, October 15th.**





The Box Tops Fall Collection is coming soon. If you still have traditional Box Tops clipped at home, please make sure you send them in by October 18th. More information regarding the NEW BOX TOPS program can be found in the flyer below.



SEND IN YOUR BOX TOPS AND SUBMIT YOUR RECEIPTS!!



**Box Tops are due to your teacher by:
October 18th**

☛ The classroom that submits the most Box Tops will earn \$50 to be used to benefit their classroom. The class will also receive the traveling Box Top trophy! ☛

How to receive credit for your Box Top app submissions:

- From the app home screen, tap on the earnings summary at the top, and then select "My Earnings."
- When the list of your submissions appears, tap on one of the submissions to open it.
- On the next screen tap on the 3 vertical dots at the top right (first screenshot shown below).
- Choose "Give Credit" (middle screenshot shown below).
- A blank box appears. Type your teacher's last name in the box and save it.
- Credit can be given to past earnings by following these steps.
- Once a name is entered and saved, it should automatically assign to future earnings.



Reminders for Box Top labels:

- Continue clipping Box Top labels. They are still valid and still appear on many products.
- Do not submit expired Box Top labels. They don't count and will be discarded.
- Please trim your Box Top labels. This is a huge help to the coordinators that prepare them for shipping.
- Bring in your Box Top labels in a bag or envelope with your teacher's name on it so that your class receives proper credit.

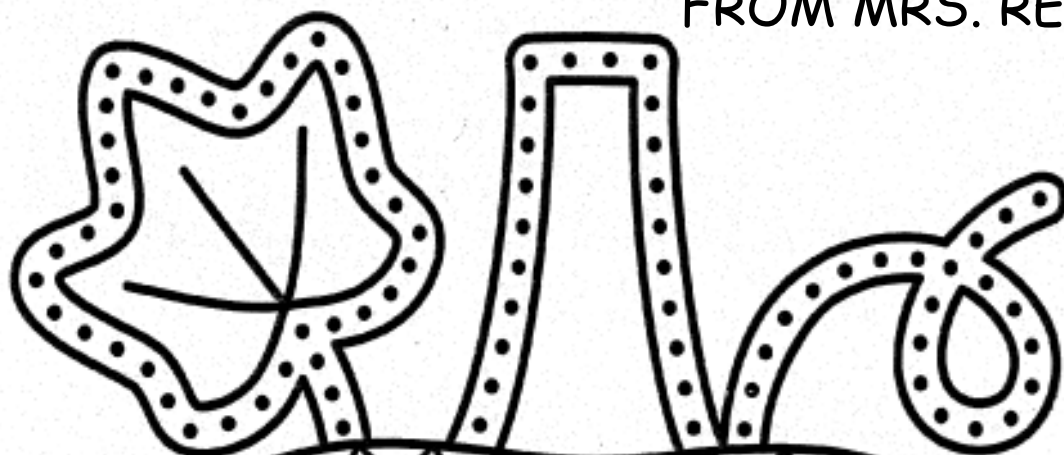
For more information visit: <https://www.boxtops4education.com/>.
Don't forget to join the Knowlton Township PTA Facebook page!

Thank you for your continued assistance with this free fundraiser!
Knowlton Township PTA

Knowlton Community News

- **Knowlton Township Trick or Treating will take place on Halloween Day, 10/31 from 4 PM to 8 PM.**
- **Knowlton Lions Club Halloween Party** is scheduled for October 26, 2019 at 6 pm at the Knowlton Lions Pavilion (behind Smitty's Liquors on Rt. 46) Rain or Shine. This party is sponsored by the Knowlton Lions Club. The Knowlton Fire & Rescue Squad will be there to keep an eye on the bonfire and keep things safe. There will be a costume judging for different age groups and prizes will be given. The Lions Club will provide free hotdogs, apple cider, hot chocolate, coffee and cider donuts. We hope all you ghosts and goblins, big and small, will dress up and come for a good time. For more information contact any Lions member.
- **Family Guidance Center of Warren County is presenting a symposium on opioids.** October 24 at the Centenary College's Sitnik Theatre, 715 Grand Avenue in Hackettstown from 7 pm to 8:30 pm. All are welcome Please RSVP to Cheryl Leggio at cleggio@fgcwc.org or call 908-689-1000, ext.347
- **Looking for a 3/4 Sized Schroetter Student Violin?** Mrs. Lestrangle, the KTES music teacher has one for sale for \$150. It is missing 2 strings but is in otherwise good condition.
- **Grab some friends and enjoy a wonderful tricky tray while helping to send children with cancer to camp.** Advance ticket sales for the Happiness Is Camping Tricky Tray are on sale now. Awesome prizes including Disney Park Hoppers, Kate Spade, WWE merchandise, an adult mountain bike and too many more to list! Cash bar and food available for purchase (to benefit the NWR XC Teams). The event is on November 8th at Brook Hollow Winery beginning at 6:00 PM. Please email Lisa Benzaia at Lisa@happinessiscamping.org for ticket information or "Like" our Facebook page to download a ticket form (Happiness Is Camping Tricky Tray).
- The **North Jersey Barracudas** is a year-round USA Swimming club that offers Swim Lessons, Pre-Team, and competitive Swim Team programs for children 5-18 years old. Our programs are offered at both Blair Academy (2 Park Street, Blairstown, NJ) and Kittatinny Regional High School (77 Halsey Rd, Newton, NJ). Their instructors and coaches are experienced, certified, and accomplished. To get involved in a fun, healthy, family-oriented activity, visit them at NJBarracudas.com or email them at njbarracudas@gmail.com.
- **Fusion Youth Basketball** will be having tryouts for the Winter 8th grade Travel Basketball team. Current 8th grade boys—Friday 10/18 from 7 to 8 pm at Franklin Municipal Complex on 1033 Route 57, Broadway, NJ. Contact Desiree Mora-Dillon at 908-313-0081 or desmora@hotmail.com with any questions.
- ***A flyer came home this week from KINSA regarding the FLUency program and how it works. You were also able to qualify for a FREE smart thermometer just by registering while supplies last. The deadline has been extended through 10/31/19. Contact Mrs. Acker if you have any questions at x 121.***

FROM MRS. REBER



Storybook Pumpkin Patch

We are growing a storybook pumpkin patch, and we need your help! Decorate a pumpkin to look like one of your favorite book characters, and bring it to school to "plant" in our Storybook Pumpkin Patch!

No Carved or Cut Pumpkins!

- Think of your favorite book and design your pumpkin based on your favorite character from that book.
- Purchase a pumpkin that is no larger in size than a basketball.
- Gather your decorating supplies. Acrylic paints or permanent markers work best. Watercolors tend to run, and spray paint will gradually dissolve the pumpkin. You can add materials, like yarn, buttons, wiggly eyes, etc.
- Decorate your pumpkin without carving, cutting, or poking holes in it.
- Fill in the blanks on the back of this page.
- Bring your pumpkin and this page to school: Oct. 23rd
- Take your pumpkin home: Oct. 30th

If your child needs help getting it home please make plans to do this. All pumpkins that are left behind will be thrown away by 4:00 that afternoon.

Participation is completely voluntary. This is not a contest.

Each decorated pumpkin will earn the owner one prize (limit one pumpkin per student).

You will get your prize when you pick up your pumpkin.

Have fun and be creative!



KNOWLTON ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

is calling all

Basketball Players

for the 2019-2020 Season!

About the season:

Starts: November/December 2019

Ends: Early March 2020

Basketball is open to all 3rd grade through 8th grade boys and girls.

Practices are held in the Knowlton Elementary School Gym.

Practice times are determined based on coach's availability.

Games are typically on weekday evenings and Saturday mornings (in Blairstown).

Registration is online at <https://www.leaguelineup.com/welcome.asp?url=knowltonknights>

K-2 Clinic Boys and Girls, Six Saturdays, 9-10:30am starting in January

3rd and 4th Graders Boys' Team and Girls' Team

5th and 6th Graders Boys' Team and Girls' Team

7th and 8th Graders Boys' Team and Girls' Team

Cost: \$75 per player for 3-8th \$50 per player for the K-2 clinic

Uniform: When signing up, please make sure to check if you need a new uniform or a new size.

Why is registration so early? We need to submit team counts and registration to our league by 10/11.

Any questions or concerns, please email Courtney Stanford at ecourtney@gmail.com or Krissy Kise at

kaa.kkise@gmail.com. Don't miss out!

Registration is due by 10/11

