



Knowlton News



ATTENTION ALL 6th GRADERS

Attention 6th Grade Students & Their Parents:

Please return the following items that were sent home from school. Should you need another copy, please visit the school website or contact the main office.

- KTES Class of 2020 T-Shirt Orders - These shirts will be worn for the 6th Grade Class Picture next month and for many events the students will attend in the spring. These orders are due Friday, February 7th.
- KTES Yearbook Order Forms - Orders and any advertising or line sponsors are due by February 13th.
- 6th Grade Yearbook Questionnaire Form with accompanying photo - Due by Friday, February 7th. Photos should be hard copies or photos in jpeg format emailed to Mrs. Ventura at venturad@knowltonschool.com. Any hard copies will be returned to you when we are done with them.
- NWR 7th Grade Scheduling Form - Students should make a choice of whether they would like the STEAM Focus or Music Performance Focus in 7th Grade. Please return by 2/13.

QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS??? Contact the main office at 908-475-5118, ext. 200.

**THANK YOU
KTES FAMILY!**

**EarlyAct Club
"SOUPER"
BOWL Food
Drive Results:**

 131

 115

Thank you for all your donations in support of our community food pantries!

**2019-2020
YEARBOOKS
NOW ON
SALE! Orders,
Line Sponsors
& Advertising
due by
February
13th. Order
Your Copy
Today!**



**School will be Closed on
Friday, February 14th &
Monday, February 17th in
Observance of Presidents Day.**

**Next EARLYACT Club Meeting
is Tuesday, February 11th.**



IF YOU ARE STILL HAVING TROUBLE ACCESSING THE PARENT PORTAL...

Still 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 that, and then type in knowlton and hit enter. The parent portal login page should now appear asking for your portal code, user name & password.
- **If that does not work, go to the school website,** www.knowltonschool.com and click on the "For Parents" Tab, Resources, then Parent Portal. The parent portal login page should now appear asking for your portal code, user name & password. **Do Not Click on the Parent Portal Icon the first time you are accessing the portal.** Once you have successfully accessed the portal the Parent Portal Icon Tab should work correctly.
- Should you still have trouble, please call the main office and we will try to help you gain access.

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 . Yogurt Parfaits are available on Tuesdays & Thursdays. Student Breakfast is \$1.50



Knowlton Board of Education

will meet next on
Monday, February 24th at 7 PM
in the school library.

Board of Education Members:

Tammy Smith, President

Don Biery, Vice President

Matthew Baley, Dawn Bates

Joann McCormack, Rhonda Moritz

Ali Stiehl

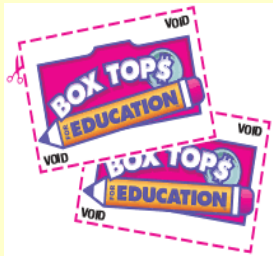


2019-2020

Knowlton Twp. Elementary School Yearbooks are now on sale. Order a full color yearbook, sponsor an ad or purchase line sponsor messages to recognize your child! Order form is attached and on the school website - www.knowltonschool.com

WINTER BOX TOP COLLECTION DATE DEADLINE IS
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19th.

Box Top labels need to be turned in by then to your child's homeroom teacher in order to get credit. In order to get credit for APP earnings, all receipts have to be scanned into the APP by then as well. Many products have switched to the digital box tops so be sure to scan those receipts so we don't miss out on this easy way to earn \$\$\$ for our school!



Questions regarding the APP or the program may be directed to the Knowlton Twp. PTA at: ktespta@gmail.com

The kindergarten children will be celebrating the

100th Day of School

on Tuesday, February 11th.

We have a variety of things planned for the children including a parade in the morning.

As part of the 100th Day of School celebration, the children do a service project each year. This year we will be collecting pennies (and any other type of monetary donations) for the **Lakota Wolf Preserve**. We encourage the entire school to participate and have a collection bucket outside of the kindergarten classroom. The last day we will be collecting donations will be on Thursday, February 13th.

As always, thank you for your support!!!



KTES Photo Shoot **Monday,** **March 9th**

- 6th Grade Group Photo
- 6th Grade Photo Booth Photos
- School Club Photos

Our photographer will be here on Monday, March 9th to take pictures for the yearbook. Don't miss it!



NOW ACCEPTING REGISTRATIONS:



Knowlton Twp. Elementary Preschool Program for Fall 2020:

We are now accepting registrations for our Preschool Program for fall 2020. Children must be 4 years old by October 1, 2020 and must be toilet trained. The program runs Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 11:00 am when school is in session. Transportation for this program is not provided. If interested, please contact the school office at: (908) 475-5118, ext. 200.

Attention Parents of Future Kindergarten Students:

Knowlton Twp. Elementary School is planning for the 2020-2021 school year. At this time we would like to identify as many children as possible who will be eligible for Kindergarten in September 2020. To be eligible for kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old by October 1, 2020. If you have not already done so, and you have a child who will be eligible for next year's kindergarten class, kindly call the school at (908) 475-5118, ext. 200 as soon as possible. Dates for screening of next year's kindergarten students will be released at a later date. Parents will receive details in the mail. Please pass this information along to anyone in Knowlton Twp. who may have a child eligible for kindergarten in September 2020.



To: All Current Parents

From: Jeannine DeFalco

Plans are already underway for the 2020 - 2021 school year. To help us with our planning for next year and beyond, we ask your cooperation in filling out the information below and returning it to us as soon as possible. Please do not list students already enrolled at the Knowlton Township Elementary School this year.

Additionally, if you have any friends or neighbors in the Township who have pre-school children, please have them contact school so we can obtain the necessary information. I would really appreciate your help in this regard.

List every child in your household not presently in school:

Name	Date of Birth
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Does your child have any special needs that the school may have to provide? _____

If yes, please briefly describe below:

Parents' Names: _____

Address: _____

Exact location (not mailing address) of your home (for future bus route information): _____

Telephone Number: _____

Pastries With Parents

You are cordially invited to enjoy a sweet
Valentine's Day treat with your sweetheart student
courtesy of the Knowlton Twp PTA!



When: Thursday 2/13/2020

Where: KTES Cafeteria

Time: 7:45am-8:30am

Assorted pastries, muffins, fruit, yogurt, juice, coffee and water
will be served.

Be sure to bring your smiles and sense of humor to have some fun with the Valentine's Day
photo props!

ADVANCE SIGN UP IS REQUIRED

Parents must remain with their student(s) until the bell rings.

RSVP by: Thursday 2/6

- ✓ Pastries may have been made with nuts or in a factory that has nuts. For those with allergies/dietary needs, you are welcome to join in the fun and BYO pastry! We will have nut free options as well as fresh fruit.
- ✓ If a parent is unavailable to attend, then the student/s may bring another adult or guardian. Parents must remain with student until the bell rings
- ✓ Siblings are welcome



return form to the office

Name/s of children attending: _____

Names of adults attending: _____

Phone Number: _____

Teacher Name: _____

Number Total Attending: _____

YES, I would like to volunteer to help with Pastries with Parents

Setup Serve Cleanup All

Contact the PTA at ktespta@gmail.com if you have any questions

You're invited to
Knowlton Elementary's
Book BINGO Night!



When: Friday, March 6th
7:00 pm

Where: KTES Gymnasium

Who: All KTES students and their families

Why: FUN!

Come play bingo together and win books!

We need to prepare refreshments and prizes for our fun evening,
Reservations must be made in order to attend.

Please RSVP by February 27th by returning the slip below to your child's teacher in
an envelope marked "Book Bingo".

See you there,
The PTA

Any questions, please contact: Kim Reber or Joelene Groves

Book Bingo Registration Form
Yes, we'll be there!



Name _____

Number of adults _____ Number of children _____ Grades of children attending _____

Phone number _____



Our Kids Heart Challenge Is Almost Here!

If your child has received donations for the American Heart Association, they can be returned to school in the envelopes sent home on January 24th from NOW through February 13th. If you have misplaced the envelope, you can put donations in a mailing envelope or a plastic bag labeled with your child's name and "Kids Heart Challenge."
If you have questions, please contact Miss Lennox at:
(lennoxd@knowltonschool.com)



BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Come see your favorite teachers in Drive-Thru, make fries and serve you your favorite food at the front counter!

**20% OF PROCEEDS FROM THESE HOURS BENEFITS
SCHOOL NAME: KNOWLTON TOWNSHIP ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL**

**DATE: 11 MARCH 2020
TIME: 4:00 – 7:00 PM**






Thank You!

\$1 Smencil Grams for Valentine's Day!

The KTES Advanced Band will have Smencil Grams available for purchase this year, just in time for Valentine's Day! 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, February 13th, 2020. They must be ordered by Friday, February 7th.*

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

	First/Last Name: _____ Teacher/Grade: _____ Message: _____ _____ _____ From: _____
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They grow up so fast.

Now's your chance to shape their future.

Student
Take-Home
Flyer



A kindergartener counted in the 2020 Census this spring will be starting high school when the next census comes around in 2030: That's 10 years of school supplies, teachers, school lunches, and so much more. This is your opportunity to help ensure they have a bright future.

Right now, students across the country are getting an introduction to the 2020 Census through the Statistics in Schools program. This program offers free activities and resources to schools to help prepare their students for an increasingly data-driven world.

Students are learning that the 2020 Census is a count of every person who lives in the United States and its territories. Responding to the census helps your community get its fair share of funding. Census data guides how more than \$675 billion in federal funding is distributed to states and communities each year for schools, health care facilities, roads, transportation, recreation centers, social services, and more.

On Census Day, April 1, 2020, start shaping your future and the future of all children by counting everyone in your home.

Learn more about how you can shape your future at 2020CENSUS.GOV.

Get more information about the Statistics in Schools program at CENSUS.GOV/SCHOOLS.

Students are also learning these key things about the 2020 Census—and we want you to know them too:

- Starting in March 2020, everyone living in your home needs to be counted. That includes children and newborn babies, citizens and noncitizens, relatives and nonrelatives, and even those staying with you temporarily.
- It's easier than ever to respond to the census. You can respond in 13 different languages, and you can complete it online, by phone, or by mail.
- Your responses to the census are safe and secure. The law requires the U.S. Census Bureau to keep your information confidential, and your responses cannot be used against you in any way.



Shape
your future
START HERE >

United States
Census
2020



KNOWLTON ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

is calling all

SOFTBALL PLAYERS.

About the season:

Starts: March/April 2020

Ends: Early June 2020

Softball registration is now open to all 1-8th grade girls.

Practices are held locally at Knowlton fields.

Practice times are determined based on coach's availability.

Practices/games are typically on weekday evenings and Saturday mornings (2-3 times per week).

Registration online at knowltonsports.com

Grade Level

Group Name

Pre & K (kids 6 and under)

T-Ball (girls and boys)

1-2 Graders

Pony Tail

3rd and 4th Graders

Juniors

5th and 6th Graders

Intermediate

7th and 8th Graders

Seniors

Cost: \$75 per player for 1-4th \$95 per player for 5-8th

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

****All players must provide their own gray softball/baseball pants****

Registration Deadline: Register online by 2/17 at knowltonsports.com

Any questions or concerns, please email Krissy Kise at kaa.kkise@gmail.com. Don't miss out!



Registration is due by 2/17

knowltonsports.com

Knowlton Community News

- **FREE Parent /Toddler Play Group at Knowlton United Methodist Church**, 509 Route 94 in Columbia. Usually every 3rd Friday of the month (excluding holidays) from 9:30 to 10:30 AM. For families with children ages newborn through Pre-K. Small, Informal Group Setting with free play, story and simple craft. For more information contact the church at 908-496-4313 or via email to: knowltonumc@gmail.com
- **Indoor Soccer & Spring Tryouts** - Go to www.westjerseysoccerclub.org for registration. 908-294-1308

OVER 200 PAIRS COLLECTED ALREADY!!!
Donations accepted through February 26th

Additional Collection Location...
Catherine Dickson Hofman Library
 in Blirstown.

DONATE YOUR JEANS!



Did you know that 40% of our country's homeless population is our youth, and their #1 most requested clothing item is jeans?

Make a Difference!

Help fight teen homelessness by donating your denim jeans!

Clean out your closet and send in your clean, gently-used jeans to Knowlton Township Elementary School to support the 5th-grade "Teens for Jeans" campaign. Jeans will be taken to Aeropostale and donated to local homeless shelters.

All sizes are appreciated!

Donation bins will be in the front lobby and near the gymnasium and at the township municipal building.

PREVENT OPIOID OVERDOSE, SAVE LIVES

FREE TRAINING and NALOXONE NASAL SPRAY KITS

Thursday, February 20 – 6:30 p.m.

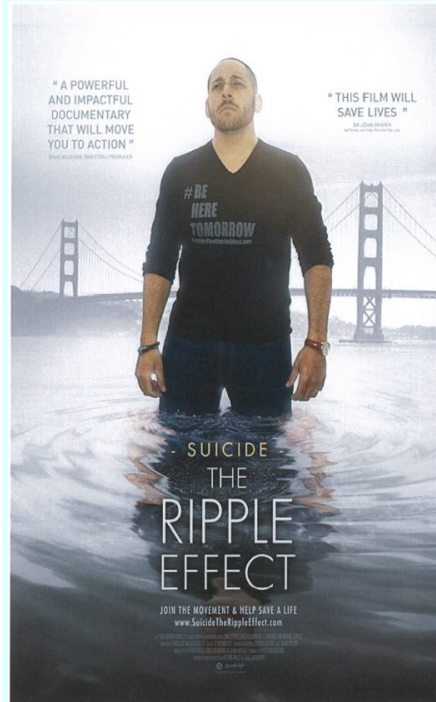
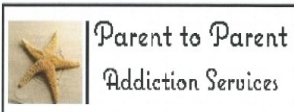
Parent to Parent Addiction Services, Inc. (501c3)
 325B West Washington Ave.
 Washington, NJ 07882

Give the Gift of Life - Learn How to Reverse an Opioid Overdose

Training includes: Signs and Symptoms of Overdose, How to Administer Naloxone, Rescue Breathing, Overdose Prevention Strategies & Support Information and Resources. Distribution of FREE Naloxone kits for training attendees, including family members, friends, professionals and individuals who are at risk or could be in the presence of someone who is at risk.

RUTGERS Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Division of Addiction & Psychiatry will be providing the free onsite training and naloxone kits.

Registration can be made by emailing parent2parentwc@gmail.com or by calling the office (908) 223-1951 or Helen Carey (908)391-4159 or Debi Natale (908)619-9252 of Parent to Parent. Kits are limited to first 23 participants. **Deadline to register is Feb. 14th.**



SUICIDE

THE RIPPLE EFFECT

This film chronicles the story of Kevin Hines, who at age 19 attempted to take his life by jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge. Since then, Kevin has been on a mission to use his story to help others stay alive and find recovery.

SuicideTheRippleEffect.com

Thursday
 February 20, 2020
 6:00 pm
 Warren County
 Community College
 Room A108, Annex
 475 Route 57, Washington, NJ
Doors open at 5:30pm

This event is free.
 Light refreshments served.
 Panel Q&A following movie.

Contact: Penelope Griffin
 Email: pgriffin@fso-hsw.org
 Phone: 908-223-1191 ext 16



No More Whispers.

Let's end the whispering about mental illness and addiction. There is no shame. You can't catch it, and like many other diseases, no one asks for it. It affects all ages, ethnicities, income levels and genders. We all know someone. Don't fear it. Don't judge it. Understand it. Let's not whisper anymore.

NoMoreWhispers@atlanticealth.org

SUPPORTING, EDUCATING, CHANGING TOGETHER



