## Knowlton Academy News April 2019



Dear Families,

It is so hard to believe that there are only three months left of school and that it is really spring! It's time for warm weather, flowers and lots of sunshine! Where has the year gone? Must be we are so busy at Knowlton Academy that the year just flies by. I continually pinch myself. What a wonderful school and community we have!

We need Spring!

Here is our April News.

<u>Ped Days:</u> There is no school for students on Friday, April 19 (Good Friday) and Monday, April 22 (Easter Monday). April 23 is now a school day.

<u>**Plastic straws:**</u> are not permitted at Knowlton Academy. PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL WITH A PLASTIC STRAW IN THEIR LUNCH.

**Knowlton Academy Coffee Fundraiser:** THANK YOU so much for all your hard work selling coffee! The orders have been submitted and they will be ready for pick-up on: **Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 – 7:30 PM and Friday April 5<sup>th</sup> from 7:30-10:00 AM in the Knowlton Academy Daycare Gym.** Congratulations to our winners: First place: Skyler Shaw, Second place: Noah Boulé, Third place: Alexa Graham, Class prize of \$100 goes to Mrs. Staton's Grade 1!

**Phys. Ed. News:** Anyone who rented ski equipment from the school this year needs to return it no later than April 23rd, after Easter. Badminton will be held on April 27 @ MVHS in Cowansville, from 9h to 14h30. Team selection will begin in class and tryouts will be held at noon hours in the coming weeks to select the 16 juniors (gr. 4 and 5), 16 seniors (gr 6 and Sec. 1) and a total of 8 spare players. Last gathering of the ETEAA annual calendar, the Track and Field event will be held at MVHS on June 8th.

Nicolas Lemaître/Physical Education & Health Knowlton Academy <u>lemaitren@edu.etsb.qc.ca</u> 450-243-6187 #10957 **Razia Update:** Thank you to all those students that did jobs at home for our 3 girls' education in Afghanistan next year. We have raised \$560 thus far towards our goal of \$1260. It is not too late to do more jobs and bring in your money. We are thinking of having a 'Spring Cleanup Sale' in spring (like our Fall Fun Day sale) to help reach our goal. Like Fall Fun Day, please gather up toys, games, books, jewellery, etc. that you want to recycle and you can send it or drop it off at school. We will let you know when our 'Spring Cleanup Sale' will be. We will also have a couple of Free Dress Wednesday's for those with a Toonie donation.

**Vesey Bulbs:** The Spring Vesey Bulbs campaign will soon be underway. Please see any Secondary One student if you are interested in purchasing amazing, colorful plants for your garden. Orders will be accepted until April 18th and plants are usually delivered within the first couple of weeks of May. All profits from the sales support the Secondary One end of year trip.

**ETSB - Mathletics Competition:** The grade 6 team of Ain Dagenais, Sumner Eastman, Celeste Hall and Josephine Dudley have advanced to the 2nd round of this very difficult event. They will compete against the teams from Heroes' and Lennoxville Elementary on April 11th. The winners of this round will move on to the finals in Magog at a later date.

**ETSB Music Festival:** Monday, April 15, our choir will be performing at the ETSB United in Music Show at Massey-Vanier. Choir members have brought home permission forms/information. The performances will start at 12:00. It is always a great afternoon. Parents/families are welcome.

**<u>Career Day:</u>** We have decided not to hold Career Day this year. We had a large one last year where all this year's Grade 6's and Sec. 1's were present. This year's Grade 5's will be in Grade 6 at KA next year. We will hold another large, wonderful one next year. Thank you to those that offered to share their careers – Next year!

Secretary's Day: April 24 – please take a moment to say thank you!

WE Walk 4 Water: Having close access to safe, clean drinking water is a basic human right. Knowlton Academy students are taking action to give this access to as many people as possible. Our KA WE Walk 4 Water event will take place on Friday, May 10 at 12:45. All KA students will participate in the 5K event and will fundraise by accepting pledges from family and friends. Pledge forms will be going home on April 23 and need to be returned to school with all funds raised by May 17. Studies have shown that just \$25 can give one person access to clean, safe drinking water for life. Just think of how many lives KA can change. Student Parliament is leading this special WE SCHOOLS campaign and are available if

you have any questions or need further information. Join us in taking action to make a difference!

**Programs:** Our dance program finished with a wonderful dance show before Spring Break. Violin and Robotics continue. Our violin concert will be on May 29.

<u>Gardening/Greenhouse Project:</u> Spring is here! Excitement is growing as we enter into our third season in the garden.

**Buses:** We have had a lot of complaints about improper behavior, especially on certain buses. Please have a conversation with your children and please report serious incidents to me so I know about them. We are working hard to make sure the bus trips are safe and not full of anxiety and inappropriate behavior.

<u>Consumable/Supervision Fees and Ski Fees:</u> Please settle up any unpaid balances. Mrs. Gore will be calling anyone with unpaid fees in April.

**PPO:** Next meeting is April 9 at 6:30.

End of Cycle 3 Exams - Grade 6 - Begin April 29th and go to June 12 for FSL, LA and Math.

**Facebook:** This, once again, is a reminder that if you have an issue, please contact us to clear it up instead and before putting it on Facebook. Misinformation is damaging. We are very proud of who we are at Knowlton Academy and please know we give our very best to our students.

**<u>2019-2020 Registration</u>**: We are still welcoming registrations for next year including for Secondary 1. If you know of anyone considering registration of their children at Knowlton Academy for **kindergarten to Sec. 1**, please encourage them to call the office as soon as possible (450-243-6187).

Spring, Footwear and Clothing: Please help us in reminding students to respect the 2-shoe policy in an effort to maintain a cleaner work environment for all at school. Students are expected to have separate footwear for outside and a clean pair of footwear for inside. All students are expected to change their shoes each time that they enter and exit the building. It is also important to dress appropriately for the weather. Students should have splash pants and rubber boots as well and perhaps an extra pair of socks in their book bag.

<u>Dress Code:</u> Don't forget that KA has a dress code – navy or light blue tops, navy, black or jean bottoms. Students not respecting the dress code will miss

their free dress Friday. No large logos, glitter sequins, etc. Ripped jeans that have large holes, rips are not acceptable. We will all be very strict with our dress code during April. As the warm weather comes, please remember no short shorts or inappropriate clothing. <u>Gym uniform also required</u>. If they don't have purple shorts and grey shirt, they may wear any shorts and t-shirt for gym class.

**Lost and Found:** There is a **LARGE** amount of unclaimed clothing in the Lost and Found. Many items do not have names on them. Please take time to come in and check for missing boots, shoes, snow pants, jackets, clothing, etc. Items remaining at the end of the school year will be donated to those in need or sold for a minimal charge. Please check for any icepacks which may belong to KA. We have completely run out.

Dear parents/guardians, Townshippers' Association is here for you! Partnering with a wide range of service providers, we work to help bridge a gap in English language services in your area. If you are having challenges finding an English language service, please do not hesitate to contact us to find out how we can support you.

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<u>Contribute To A Clean Environment!</u> Cleaning up certain ditches, public trails and parks that are in need of TLC (Tender, Love and Care) is what a group of fellow citizens in Lake Brome is proposing. This is a great opportunity for students and their parents to take concrete action on Earth Day 2019. Mark Saturday, April 27, from 09:00 to 12:00 on

your agenda for this family outing! As a token of appreciation, the City will offer us a "lunch" at Douglass Beach afterwards.

In each of the Lake Brome districts, the municipal councilor wants to surround himself with volunteers who will choose the places that require most attention. Please indicate your interest by email at "actionslacbrome@gmail.com". Enter your street name and telephone number (optional). A volunteer will notify you of the appropriate gathering place. Check the website "actionslacbrome.blogspot.com" regularly for more details; for example where to meet, what to wear, what to bring!

When: April 27th, 2019, from 9:00 to 12:00

<u>Meeting Place</u>: If registered, you will be advised by email a few days before. Otherwise check on our website at actionslacbrome.blogspot.com

## **Dates to Remember:**

- April 1 April 18 Vesey Spring Bulb Fundraiser for Sec. 1
- April 1 Music Festival at Palace Theatre in Granby at 6:30
- **April 2 No Sparks or Brownies**
- April 3 Sex Ed for grades 5L and 6L
- April 4 & 5 Coffee Pickup (4<sup>th</sup> = 3 7:30 p.m., 5<sup>th</sup> = 7:30 10:00 a.m.)
- April 5 Lion's Club Eye screening for KG.
- April 7 Easter Egg Hunt at Community Centre
- April 9 PPO at 6:30
- April 10 May 29 Cavaletti
- April 15 ETSB United in Music Festival at Massey-Vanier auditorium
- April 17 Cycle 2 to Pointe à Callière
- April 18 Deadline for Vesey orders.
- April 19 Good Friday No school
- April 22 Easter Monday No school. Earth Day
- April 23 No longer a Ped Day. School as usual.
- **April 24 Grade 4 vaccinations**
- April 24 Secretary's Day
- April 27 Badminton at MV 9:00, Town cleanup of trails, etc. 9:00 12:00
- May 6 24 Grade 6 ELA exams
- May 10 a.m. Children's author Helaine Becker (2 Sec. 1)
- May 10 WE Walk for Water in p.m.
- May 20 Victoria Day No school
- May 21 Kindergarten Orientation
- May 21 Governing Board at 6:15
- May 29 KA's Violin concert
- June 8 Track and Field at MV



## 2019 Lunch Menu

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Grilled cheese and bacon sandwich with raw veggies	2 Chinese macaroni and egg rolls	<b>3</b> Pancakes, fruit and fresh syrup	4 Western omelette and seasoned potatoes	5 Pizza and salad	6
7	<b>8</b> Macaroni and cheese with cooked veggies	9 Sloppy joes, coleslaw, carrots and cucumbers	<b>10</b> Mini salad bar	<b>11</b> Chicken pie, mashed potatoes and veggies	<b>12</b> ***Sugar shack meal***	13
14	<b>15</b> Tacos, raw veggies	<b>16</b> Quiche and salad	<b>17</b> Lasagna, Caesar salad	<b>18</b> Chicken burgers, macaroni salad	GOOD FRIDAY	20
21	22 Easter Monday NO SCHOOL	23 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> club, greek potatoes, raw veggies No longer a Ped Day	24 Shepherd's pie	25	26 Party burgers, salad, raw veggies	27
28	<b>29</b> Chicken tacos, raw veggies	<b>30</b> Chili and nachos				

\*\*\*Sugar Shack Meal: Pea soup, mini pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, cubed potatoes, baked beans, coleslaw, sweet pickles, pouding au chomeur\*\*\*