



## Knowlton Academy News

June 4, 2019

Dear K.A. Families,

It is hard to believe it is June already and we will be gathering on our front lawn in 17 short days to celebrate our students' hard work, perseverance and accomplishments with our 2018-19 awards ceremony. Hopefully, it will be warm and sunny by then!! I know I always say how fortunate our students are at Knowlton Academy with the wide range of wonderful learning opportunities open to them. Our children are supported by a strong, caring staff who work tirelessly to ensure that our school is a joyful second home to our students, allowing them to get what they need to be their very best. Thanks to all! We are well surrounded by many fabulous volunteers and amazing community support, both of which enrich our lives in so many ways. Thank you so very much. To our parents/families, thank you for all the support and encouragement you give your children. "It takes a village to raise our children" and we have quite the village! Together, we are bringing up a community of learners, helping them to be their best selves, discover their passions, build resilience and self-confidence and helping open a whole world of possibilities for them as kind, caring children of the world. As our KA mantra goes –

"Dream, Believe, Work, Achieve"

Best wishes for a wonderful summer together as a family.

Sincerely,

Renalee Gore

Here is your June News.

Hopefully the warm weather will soon be upon us. Check out this website for useful tips related to the risk of heat-related health problems. [www.santeestrie.qc.ca/chaleur](http://www.santeestrie.qc.ca/chaleur)

**Lockdown clarification:** On Monday, June 3, there was an emergency situation which required St. Edouard to be on lockdown. We were asked to support them by allowing students to board the buses here at KA, walking over by the back path. Walkers were also picked up here. Our walkers were kept here until given clearance by the SQ. This all happened within one hour and everything went very smoothly. Just to assure you that we have a strict protocol for emergency and lockdown situations which is put into operation if

ever it is needed. Our children's and staff's safety is always our utmost concern and we take it very seriously.

**Library News:** Please check for any unreturned library books. You will recognize them by a label on the back of the book, saying "Knowlton Academy". Please return them as soon as possible. You will be receiving a bill for any unreturned books.

**Lice:** As always, continue to check your children (and yourselves) for lice. If you notice any, please do the treatment for the child and the family and notify the school.

**Garden Project:** Our garden is coming along nicely despite the cold weather. We are far behind with planting but want to be sure our plants are going to survive and thrive before we plant them in the garden. Because of this unusual weather, we may have to do a blitz in the coming weeks to get everything in before school ends so if anyone has time to come in to help, it would be appreciated.

We have installed our beautiful GROW sign and all of the leaves that the children decorated on the fence and it looks beautiful! We are also working on completing our food mile directional signs and outdoor kitchen.

We have also expanded our perennial garden so if anyone is splitting any plants we would be very grateful for any donations.

Let's all hope the nice weather arrives soon!

**PPO News:**

**Bingo Night:** Knowlton Academy is having another family bingo night on Friday June 14<sup>th</sup> with all proceeds going to the school. Doors open at 6pm. Games from 6:30 - 8:00pm. The cost is \$1 for 2 cards. New cards are bought each round. Baked treats and drinks will be available for purchase. Great prizes for adults and kids! Please join us for some family fun for a great cause!

**Book Fair:** PPO will be sponsoring a **Book Fair on June 21**. Give your children a gift of reading for the summer with some new books. There's nothing better than relaxing in the shade with a good book on a lazy summer day! Have a great summer!

**Violin:** Our violin students had a wonderful concert on May 29. They shone! Thank you to Charles Gregory for his dedication to our program.

**June 6 Daycare Talent Show Dress Rehearsal:** for students in the gym at 1:00.

**June 7 Daycare Talent Show:** The daycare darlings will be performing their annual daycare talent show at 4:00 pm. Thank you to Debbie and her helpers and all the daycare children for their hard work put into this wonderful theme 'Daycare Goes Around the World'. Refreshments will be served. It will be fabulous as always.

**Plastic Straw Reminder:** Please remember that KA is a plastic straw-free school.

**Student Parliament:** I want to thank our 2018-2019 Student Parliament for taking such a great leadership role. Great job to Devan, Liam, Oliver, Danna, Elaina, Ain, Caleb, Sara and Haley. Mrs. Perry and I are very proud of you all. Thank you to Mrs. Perry for her continued leadership.

**School and Gym Uniforms:** Just a reminder that even with the warmer weather, the school uniform/dress code is still mandatory from Monday to Thursday. Tops are solid navy t-shirts or polo shirts with **NO LOGOS**). Sweaters and “bottoms” must be in compliance with the Uniform policy as well. Bottoms are to be black or navy blue, jeans are acceptable. Consequences will be applied in cases where the child is not complying with the school policy. For Free Dress Friday’s, clothing must be appropriate. **At no time, are short shorts considered acceptable, nor mid-riffs showing.** Remember to apply sunscreen and wear caps/hats when out in the sun.

We are pleased to announce that the KA Governing Board has approved a change in the PEH uniform. Starting next year, students grade 3 and up will be expected to wear a PURPLE t-shirt with the school logo for their PEH classes. This t-shirt will be sold directly at TORO Graphics, a local business here in Knowlton, next to the RONA store. For the bottom, students will have to wear BLACK shorts. More details on sizing and prices to come. Rest assured that the 2019-20 school year will be a transition year and the purple and grey uniform will be accepted.

**Annual Track and Field:** This event will be held at Massey-Vanier on Saturday, June 8th. Permission slip with preliminary information went out last week. Final version of entries and relay teams were sent home on June 5th. Good luck to all our athletes! Contact N. Lemaître for details at [lemaitren@edu.etsb.qc.ca](mailto:lemaitren@edu.etsb.qc.ca) **There will be a cantine on site.**

The “Tour du Lac Brome” will be celebrating its 41st edition on June 15th and 16th, 2019. This running race is one of the oldest and most popular events off the island of Montreal. In fact, it was given an award by the “Fédération Québécoise d’Athlétisme” for “Best Road Race Organization” in 2009. Close to 3500 runners from all parts of Quebec, Ontario and the US are expected at Lion’s Park in Knowlton, rain or shine.

To kick off summer on an active note, families & students from Knowlton Academy are invited to participate by either running or volunteering. *To take part in one of many races and distances, all you have to do is go on-line and register.*

Expect limited access in and around Lions Park by CAR after 8h30 on June 15th and 16th due to traffic control.

Volunteers are needed! Get a meal and a T-shirt.

Contact N. Lemaître for details.

INFO? [www.tourdulacbrome.com](http://www.tourdulacbrome.com)

**Class trips:** See 'Dates to Remember'. Students are expected to respect the Code of Conduct and act accordingly. These trips are a privilege and must be earned through good behaviour and respect. Students not abiding by the rules may be excluded from the trip or sent home if necessary.

**Brome Bright Lights:** The judging is complete and we have our Winners of the Brome Bright Lights Short Story Contest 2019. The first place in each grade will receive a \$50 prize. The second place in each grade will receive a \$25 prize. The Grand Prize of an additional \$200, selected from all the first place winners, will be announced at the prize giving ceremony.

Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to all 137 participants from students from KA, Mansonville, Waterloo, Farnham, Heroes', Bedford and St-Edouard. Prize giving will be held at Brome Lake Books on Saturday, June 15 at 3:00 p.m. Parents and teachers of the winners are invited to come and hear some of the stories read out. Thanks to Knowlton Lions Club for generously supporting this event. And the KA winners are:

**Grade One 1st – The Millers Fortune by Emma Gagne; 2nd – My Imagination by Kianna Sargent**

**Grade Five - 1st – The Unlucky Clover by Georgia Lavigne; 2nd – My Last Breath by Jasmine Elston**

**Kindergarten Celebration of Learning:** Thursday, June 20 at 9:00 followed by snack. Last student day for kindergarten students.

**Grad Ceremony:** for Grade 6 to be held on June 20 at 1:00 p.m. in the gym. Grade 6 pins will be handed out at this time.

**Awards Ceremony June 21:** Please join us on Thursday, June 21 at 9:30 am for our annual Awards Ceremony. It is a very special event. Weather permitting, it is held on our front lawn. Please bring your own lawn chairs. It is followed by a barbecue lunch. In the afternoon, the students will be treated to the fire department hoses (weather permitting). Those that wish to take part, must bring a change of clothes.

**Report Cards:** Third term report cards will be available on the ETSB Parent Portal as of June 26. Paper copies will be mailed to those without email addresses. Envelopes will still go home with each child with important information concerning next year's school supply lists and consumable fees. Please watch for them on June 20 (K) and June 21 for all others.

**Kindergarten 2019-2020 and new Registrations:** If you know anyone who still has not registered for next year, we are still welcoming new registrations at Kindergarten and all levels.

**Lost and Found:** The Lost and Found box situation is dismal. Soon, we will be laying out the items from the Lost and Found onto tables in the hallway near the office. Please remind your child to look through the items and reclaim any belonging to him/her. Parents are also encouraged to look through the Lost and Found when they are picking their child/ren up from school or when here for any of the upcoming events, including June 21. (\*When preparing for the new school year, please make sure to clearly identify your child's name on

all clothing.) **Please note that all unclaimed items remaining here after June 21 will be donated to charity and unmarked school uniform items will be washed and resold at 'donation' prices. Please check for your children's clothing.**

**Fees: Time is running out to pay your school fees. Please get the money to the office as soon as possible. All outstanding amounts will be going to Collection June 13. Thank you to those that have settled their accounts this month.** Please remember all outstanding fees come out of our school budget and means we can offer less to our students.

**Cafeteria Services:** We have been so fortunate to have Wanda Willis and Chantale supplying lunches for the staff and students this year. Please settle up any outstanding balances immediately. **There will be no cafeteria services on June 21. Thank you Wanda and Chantale!**

**Dates to remember:**

May 31 – Last Village Reads

June 4 – Last Sparks and Brownies (no Guides on Thursday, June 6)

June 4 – Cycle 2 class trip to O-Volt in Sherbrooke

June 6 – Daycare Talent Show dress rehearsal for students at 1:00 pm in the gym

**June 7 – No longer a Ped Day**

June 7 – Grade 3/4F and 4L hike Mt. Sutton

June 7 – Daycare Talent Show at 4:00 pm in the daycare

June 8 – Track and Field Meet at Massey-Vanier, Be there for 8:30 a.m. Cantine on-site

June 11 – Main dans la Mains mobile clinic at KA 1:15 to 4:00

June 13 – Sports Awards in gym at 1:00, Last Guides (tea party)

June 14 – Grade 2N, 2M and 3L hike Sutton Mtn.,

June 14 – Grade 2N and 2M sleepover at KA

June 14 – Family Bingo 6:30 – 8:00 pm

**June 15 & 16 – Tour du Lac Brome**

June 17 – 6B and 6L to Bromont Water Slides, 1S and 1T to Ranch Massawippi

June 17 and 18 – Sec. 1 trip to Montreal

June 19 – Kindergarten to Grimpe et Partout

June 19 – Grade 5 trip to La Ronde

June 19 – Governing Board 5:45

June 20 – Kindergarten Celebration of Learning at 9:00 and last day for kindergarten students.

June 20 – Grade 6 graduation 1 – 2 p.m

June 21 – Awards ceremony at 9:30 a.m., followed by a BBQ at noon. Last student day!!!!

Information packages go home.

June 26 – Report cards available on Parent Portal. Paper copies will be mailed only to those with no email.

July 20 – Knowlton Literary Festival presents 'Measure for Measure' – Repercussion Theatre at the Community Centre lawn at 7 pm.

**August 27, 28** – Daycare will be open. For more information, contact Debbie at 450-242-1336.

*Best wishes for a safe and happy summer holiday together as a family. See you back at school on August 29th. Take some time, sit under a shady tree and read together!*

Summer Hours: The office will be open until July 5 (9-3) and then will open again on August 12. You may contact Mrs. Gore at [gorer@etsb.qc.ca](mailto:gorer@etsb.qc.ca) if you have any questions or concerns or if you need registration information.



## 2019 Lunch Menu

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Macaroni and cheese Veggies	4 Chicken tacos, raw veggies	5 Quiche, salad, Greek potatoes	6 Spaghetti and garlic bread	7 Pizza and salad	8
9	10 Grilled cheese and bacon Raw veggies	11 Half club, salad	12 Salad bar 	13 Tacos, raw veggies	14 Chicken burgers Raw veggies	15
16	17 Sloppy Joes	18 Shepherd's pie	19 Mini  salad bar	20 Poutine Ice cream	21 YEAR END BBQ  NO CAFETERIA	22

<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <i>NO SCHOOL</i>	<b>25</b> <i>NO SCHOOL</i>	<b>26</b> <i>NO SCHOOL</i>	<b>27</b> <i>NO SCHOOL</i>	<b>28</b> <i>NO SCHOOL</i>	
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Have a wonderful summer and see you in September!  
Wanda and Chantale