

Knowlton Academy January, 2020 News

Dear Families,

On behalf of us all at KA, Happy New Year to you all! I hope that the holidays were very good with a nice combination of activities and quiet family time. Thank you for all the Christmas gifts, goodies and good wishes that Brenda and I were showered with. They were all greatly appreciated.

<u>Christmas Activities Thank You's:</u> Many thanks to Tim Wiebe for the Christmas service at Knowlton Anglican Church, to the PPO for our Pancake Breakfast and Wanda Willis, Chantale and helpers for our delicious Christmas dinner, to Lucy Hoblyn for "Charlie Brown Christmas" and help with the choir and to Debbie Melanson and her daycare darlings for their play on Friday. Thank you everyone!

Welcome Bishops Student Teacher Melissa Manson, who will be with Sue Garneau's Grade 6 class for 13 weeks starting January 6!

Here is our January news.

Dance and Village Reads, Violin, Gymnastics, Robotics: All start up the week of January 13.

<u>Dress Down Day:</u> January 15 for a \$1 donation to We Are Silent.

Jersey Day: January 29. Wear your favorite jersey for a free fun activity.

PPO: Our next PPO meeting is Tuesday, January 21 at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Information Sessions for Kindergarten and Secondary 1 at Knowlton Academy</u>: On Wednesday evening, January 22 at 6:30 p.m., our Kindergarten and Secondary 1 teachers will be holding information sessions for families considering Knowlton Academy for the 2020-21 school year. All level 6 students will be bringing home a personal invitation with a response sheet to be returned by Monday, January 20. Please spread the word to families you know for all 2020-21 Kindergarten age students.

2020-2021 Registration: Registration for the next school year will be from January 27 to February 8. Registration is on line for returning students unless there is no email address and you will receive instructions shortly.

For new registrations, (9:00 to 2:00) you must bring the child's original birth certificate and the original of the parent who has eligibility to English school. You also need to have proof of residency (i.e. driver's license or lease). We welcome registrations at all levels and of course new registrations for 4 and 5-year old kindergarten and our Secondary 1 program. I will always be happy to meet with and give tours to prospective new parents and students on appointment. We will be arranging a Kindergarten and Sec. 1 information meeting on January 22 at 6:30. Please spread the word!

<u>4-year old Kindergarten:</u> Knowlton Academy will have a 4-year old kindergarten for the 2020-21 school year. Students need to be 4 by September 30, 2020 and be eligible for English schooling. There are **17 spots** available on a first come, first serve basis, starting January 27. Our 4-year old kindergarten students are able to take the school bus and attend before and after school daycare. An information session will be held in February for those parents enrolled. All questions should be addressed to our Principal, Renalee Gore at gorer@etsb.qc.ca

<u>Ped. Day:</u> January 27. Daycare will be open. March 27 and May 15 are no longer Ped Days due to the school cancellation of November 12 and 19.

Ski Program:

Skiing (Year 50!) starts for Grade 1 to Sec. 1 on January 21 and runs through February 20. Tuesdays – 2M, 2T, 3L, 4N, 5/6L, 6G. Thursdays – 1S, 1Q, 3LZ, 4L, 5B, Sec. 1. More information will come from M. Lemaître.

- 1: Ski Program fees are due, no later than January 10, 2020. Make the deadline and earn a chance at a draw to have ski fees covered. (1 student per cycle).
- 2: Volunteer info session: Wednesday, Jan 15 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. @ KA: ski session on Friday, Jan 17, 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. @ Mont-Sutton. Please confirm your presence on your Volunteer slip.
- 3: First Ski Day is Tues. Jan 21 and Thurs. Jan 23, 2020.

If you plan to volunteer and come skiing, please e-mail N. Lemaître: lemaitren@edu.etsb.qc.ca

Thank you to Nick Lemaître for his leadership of the Ski Program and all the volunteers and teachers for their wonderful support. **Happy 50**th **year!**

Governing Board: Our next Governing Board meeting will be held on Monday, February 3 at 6:15 p.m.

<u>Choir:</u> The choir will start up again on February 5 every Wednesday until the end of the year. We will welcome newcomers. If you need more information, please contact Lucy at 450 522-5223 or <u>bromelakebooks@hotmail.com</u>

Toys: A reminder that toys and all valuables should NOT be brought to school.

Pottery: Our exciting pottery program began in December and continues into January and February with Qita Reindler and Mme. Josée. We will be making 75 bowls for our 'Soup for Education' Community lunch to be held in the spring. All proceeds will go towards our 3 Razia girls' education in Afganistan.

<u>School Fees:</u> Thanks to all who have paid their school fees. If you have not yet paid, please remit payment as soon as possible or contact the office to make arrangements for a payment schedule.

Sincerely,

Renalee Gore Principal

Dates to Remember:

December 28 – Fireworks at Coldbrook Park at 6 pm.

January 6 – Ped Day. The Grinch is playing at Centre Lac-Brome (free)

January 7 – Welcome back!

January 10– deadline for ski payment

Week of January 13 – Village Reads, Dance, Violin, Gymnastics, Robotics resumes.

January 14 – Brownies and Sparks resumes on Tuesday's

January 15 – Dress Down Day for \$1 donation to We Are Silent

January 15 + 17 – Ski volunteer session and ski day

January 16- Guides resumes on Thursday's

January 21 & 23 – Ski Program begins

January 21 – PPO meeting at 6:30

January 22 – Kindergarten and Secondary 1 2020-21 Information evening at 6:30.

January 27 – February 8 – School Registration for 2020-2021 (9 a.m to 2 p.m. for new students)

January 27 – Ped. Day

January 29 – Jersey Day – No charge

February 3 – WE DAY in Montreal

February 3 – Governing Board @ 6:15.

February 18 – Parent Session on 'Beyond Behaviours – How to deal with the explosive child.'